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How the 16th Amendment and the Federal Reserve Act Changed America

Palm Beach, FL - The Flagler Museum's 31st annual Whitehall Lecture Series presents *How the 16th Amendment and the Federal Reserve Act Changed America* on Sunday, February 28th at 3:00 p.m. Tickets are free for Museum Members at the Sustaining level and above, \$10 for Individual, Family, and Life Members, and \$28 for non-members, which includes Museum admission.

John Steele Gordon, Journalist and Financial Historian, and author of *An Empire of Wealth: The Epic History of American Economic Power* will present the lecture.

The early 20th Century was a time of great change in America's financial system. In the absence of a central bank, J.P. Morgan was called upon to bail out the U.S. Government and save the Nation from financial panic. And, though the Supreme Court has once ruled that a Federal Income Tax was unconstitutional, in 1913 a Constitutional Amendment and an Act of Congress changed everything. John Steele Gordon will discuss the effects of the Federal Reserve Act and the 16th Amendment on America's economy and government.

The Whitehall Lecture Series is sponsored by PNC Bank, the Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation, the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, the Tourist Development Council, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, *The Palm Beach Post*, and the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs.

For more information, or to purchase tickets please call the Flagler Museum at (561) 655-2833 or visit www.flaglermuseum.us.

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About The Flagler Museum

When it was completed in 1902, Whitehall, Henry Flagler's Gilded Age estate in Palm Beach, was hailed by the New York Herald as "more wonderful than any palace in Europe, grander and more magnificent than any other private dwelling in the world." Today, Whitehall is a National Historic Landmark and is open to the public as the Flagler Museum, featuring guided tours, changing exhibits, and special programs. The Museum is located at One Whitehall Way,

Palm Beach. The Museum is open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and noon until 5:00 p.m., Sunday. Admission is \$18 for adults, \$10 for youth ages 13-17, \$3 for children ages 6-12, and children under six are free. For more information visit www.flaglermuseum.us or call (561) 655-2833.

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