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*The 5th Annual Goddard Gold  
with*

**Susan Page**

Washington Bureau chief  
USA TODAY

Wednesday, June 5, 2024  
Harmonie Club · 4 East 60th Street

*An intimate conversation and audience Q&A about  
the current political landscape.*

## Speaker

**Susan Page**, the Washington Bureau chief of USA TODAY, is an award-winning journalist and best-selling author. Her books include *Madam Speaker: Nancy Pelosi and the Lessons of Power* and *The Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty*, both *New York Times* bestsellers. Her biography of Barbara Walters, *The Rulebreaker*, is being published by Simon & Schuster in April 2024.

Susan has covered eleven presidential elections, interviewed the past ten presidents (three after they left the White House and one before he moved in) and reported from six continents. She has won every journalism award given specifically for White House coverage and served as president of the White House Correspondents Association and of the Gridiron Club, the oldest association of journalists in Washington. In 2020, she moderated the vice-presidential debate between Mike Pence and Kamala Harris.

A native of Wichita, Kansas, she received a bachelor's degree from Northwestern and a master's from Columbia. She and husband Carl Leubsdorf have two sons, Ben and Will.

## Moderator

**Ashley Higgins Dieck** joined Gannett in 2021 and currently serves as Chief of Staff to Mike Reed. Previously, she managed Gannett / New Media's Investor Relations efforts for four years as an employee of Fortress, which previously managed New Media. Prior to that, Ashley spent a decade at Barclays Capital / Lehman Brothers, within their prime services department in roles across sales, trading and product management. Outside of work, she serves on Cornell University's Dyson School Advisory Council and the board of Goddard Riverside, a non-profit multi-service organization that serves over 20,000 New Yorkers annually. She lives in NYC with her husband and their three girls.

## Program

### Welcome

Rod Jones President, Goddard Riverside

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### Goddard Riverside's Youth Programs

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### Conversation

Susan Page and Ashley Higgins Dieck

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### Reception

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