

NOVEMBER 11TH MEETING:

Jay H. Bryson, Ph. D., Managing Director, Global Economist, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC



The Global Economic Outlook

Jay Bryson is a managing director and global economist at Wells Fargo Securities, where he provides analysis on macroeconomic developments in the major economies of the world. He is based in Charlotte, N.C.

Before joining Wells Fargo in 1998, Jay was an economist in the Division of International Finance at the Federal Reserve Board in Washington, D.C. From 1989 to 1992 he was an assistant professor of economics at the University of Alabama. Jay has also lectured on international economics and macroeconomics at the School for Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University and at Georgetown University.

Jay has published in academic and popular economic journals, and his comments on the economy regularly appear in the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, and USA Today. He also makes frequent appearances on CNBC and Bloomberg TV. Jay is a member of the American Economic Association and the Charlotte Economics Club.

He is also a member of the National Association for Business Economics and served on its board of directors from 2010 to 2013.

Jay received his B. A. and Ph.D. degrees in economics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

NOVEMBER 11TH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSION:

George Kobitz, Division Director, RHMR



2015 Accounting and Finance Hiring and Compensation Outlook

This presentation offers an overview of the hiring outlook in corporate accounting and finance, public accounting, and financial services, and discusses areas such as the skills and positions in greatest demand and salary trends.

George Kobitz is Vice President of Robert Half Management Resources in Houston, Texas. Robert Half Management Resources, a division of Robert Half is the world's premier provider of senior-level accounting, finance and business systems professionals on a project and interim basis. Robert Half Management Resources provides companies cost-effective resource solutions and staff augmentation services. George began his career at Robert Half as an Account Executive in Creve Coeur, Missouri in 2007 and over the last seven years has taken on roles of increasing responsibility. George has a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Economics from Louisiana State University.

Monthly Dinner Meeting

Tuesday, November 11th, 2014

LOCATION:

Houston Country Club

1 Potomac Drive
Houston, TX 77057

AGENDA:

Professional Development Session (4:30pm)

Social hour (5:30pm)

Dinner (6:30pm)

MEETING SPONSORS:



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A letter from the president



Greetings,

For those who couldn't make our October meeting, we had an enjoyable presentation from Michael Turpin of USI who shared with us his experience as a health insurance CEO and all the "tricks of the trade" – it was an enlightening presentation! Derek Hall of Sirius Solutions provided our professional development session on things every CFO should know about business and financial transformations, something we all deal with daily.

I hope you make plans to attend the November 11 meeting. Jay Bryson, Global Economist for Wells Fargo Securities will provide us with his thoughts and outlook for the global economy. Platinum sponsor Robert Half Management Resources will provide our Professional Development session.

Sincere thanks go to our Platinum dinner sponsor Robert Half and to our Gold social hour sponsor, Wortham Insurance & Risk Management for our November meeting. Without the generous support of our sponsors, who contribute money, time, in-kind donations and ideas to our chapter, we could not accomplish what we do every year. Please give our valuable sponsors preference when considering business services that they happen to offer.

We had a good turnout for our "New and Prospective Member Social" held on October 21 at Willie G's. It was a great way for our new and prospective members to meet each other and our Chapter leaders. We will have another such event on March 31, so save the date now!

Our Chapter will host a "Ladies Networking Event" to be held on Wednesday, November 5 at the Tasting Room in Uptown Park. So, for all our Lady members – save the date and bring a prospective member to enjoy the fun evening with you! Sorry guys, this is a "ladies only" event, but please invite any female prospective members think might enjoy the event. Thanks go to the Siegfried Group for sponsoring this event.

Our Chapter will once again host an annual "Deans' Appreciation Luncheon" at the Houston Country Club on Friday, November 21. This event is held in appreciation for the Business Deans of the twelve regional universities which we support with scholarships. We are grateful to Halliburton for their continued sponsorship of this event.

One of the great aspects of our Chapter is our founding and continued support for the FEI Houston Scholarship Foundation (a 501 (c) (3) organization) that annually awards \$4,000 scholarships to students from twelve local universities. The Foundation is funded by the Chapter and you, its members. I would ask you to keep the Foundation in mind as you review and consider any year-end contributions.

I look forward to seeing each of you at upcoming meetings and social events. Please let me know what we as a Chapter can do for you.

Regards,

Chris A. Matlock
President, FEI Houston Chapter

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VP, Controller & CAO

FEI Houston Scholarship Foundation Update

Although the Chapter's scholarship foundation was founded in 2003, and received favorable determination from IRS as 501 (c)(3) on November 3, 2003, the Houston chapter has been supporting deserving students in southeast Texas since about 1970. Currently, each student selected from the twelve schools is awarded \$4,000. The philosophy is to target very highly qualified students at least of junior year status that have "fallen through the crack" and provide the funds needed for them to graduate. The student group continues to average about 85% minorities. Cumulative scholarship awards to students now well exceed \$400,000, most of which has been awarded via the Foundation.

These awards are supported by donations from the chapter, its officers, and members – as well as community-minded corporate donors. Through the generosity of contributors, the Foundation now has accumulated assets over \$400,000. Donor recognition is provided via the chapter and various brochures for the Foundation and for AHD. While the record level of assets is a significant achievement, this is still short of the goal for earnings to fund scholarships for the future.

The 2014 Academic Honors Day was held at the Houston Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank and was quite a success. Pictures were featured in an earlier newsletter. Reflecting on near term accomplishments, the Foundation will hold the third annual dean's luncheon on November 21st. This has proved to be quite a success, especially in concert with AHD. At least two of the students have landed internships with FEI members this past year.

We are also very close to launching the Foundation web site in upcoming weeks. Not only will this provide a forum for governance and documenting the various events, but also will allow for use of credit card donations – something that had to be discontinued years ago for technical reasons. We hope to provide members with formal announcement and instructions within the next 4-5 weeks.

James R. Storfer
President & Director
FEI Houston Scholarship Foundation

Women of FEI Networking Event - November 5, 2014

Tasting Room Uptown Park

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Sponsored By:



Executive Coach, Margaret D'Onofrio, is leading the Women of FEI in an interactive Q&A conversation: ***It's All About You!***

Ladies, bring a prospective member to enjoy the fun evening! Sorry guys, this one is for the ladies, but please invite any female prospective members that would enjoy the event.

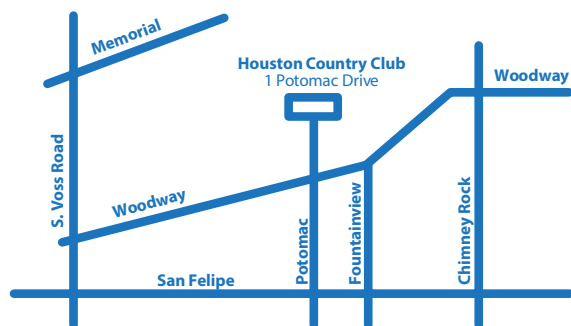
Margaret is the Principal of D'Onofrio Consulting Partners; a Houston based certified Women Business Enterprise (WBE). Through the Columbia Coaching Alliance which she co-founded, Margaret supports clients nationally and internationally. She works predominantly at senior organizational levels, including coaching "C" suite executives. Her specialty in the practical application of Emotional Intelligence theory forms a strong foundation for the creation of a global mind set, and the development of critical leadership competencies. In turn this expertise helps people succeed in both their professional and personal lives.

Upcoming Events 2014 - 2015 Season Meetings

November 5, 2014 - Women of FEI Networking Event
November 11, 2014 - Monthly Meeting
November 21, 2014 - Dean's Luncheon
December 9, 2014 - Sponsorship Appreciation Reception
January 20, 2015 - Monthly Meeting
February 14, 2015 - Annual Wine Dinner
February 17, 2015 - Monthly Meeting and Academic Honors Day
March 24, 2015 - Monthly Meeting

March 31, 2015 - New and Prospective Member Social
April 14, 2015 - Monthly Meeting
April 21, 2015 - Annual Golf Tournament
May 19, 2015 - Monthly Meeting
June 16, 2015 - Summer Breakfast Series 1
July 21, 2015 - Summer Breakfast Series 2
August 18, 2015 - Summer Breakfast Series 3

Meeting Information



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Meeting Fax/Mail Reservation Form

Register online at <http://www.feihouston.org>

Mail to: P.O. Box 32, Bellaire, TX 77402 or Fax to: 713.839.1453

One form per registrant please, photocopy as necessary. **Reservations Required** by 3:00 pm 2 business days before the meeting. Reservations may be canceled without cost as late as noon the day before the meeting. **"No-shows" will be billed \$50.**

Meeting Cost: No charge for Chapter Members and 1st time prospective members. Guests -\$90/person (guests & prospective members must be accompanied by member)

Attendee Name

Organization

Street Address

City / State / Zip

Phone

Fax

E-mail

Please select one: ☐ Chapter member ☐ 1st time prospective member

☐ Spouse (name) : _____

Payment method: ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Amex

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