EDUCATION

- The Great Decisions program was expanded into eleven area high schools and participants took part in a Student Interaction with the Deputy Director of the National Security Agency.
- Professors from Edward Waters College, Florida State College at Jacksonville, Jacksonville University and the University of North Florida led our Great Decisions sessions.
- Academic WorldQuest attracted 40 teams from 18 high schools for a spirited competition that sent the winning team from Stanton to compete in the national competition in Washington, D.C.
- With Admiral Howe and Ambassador Soderberg acting as U.S. Presidents, the International Crisis Management Exercise engaged 42 students in role playing a crisis in Mali.
- The Ambassador Marilyn McAfee Scholarship was awarded to Joy Bagwell, a junior majoring in international relations and philosophy at the University of North Florida.
- The Overseas Teacher Enrichment Program included a teacher workshop, a two-week study tour in Turkey for three teachers and a community education program.

SPEAKER SERIES

- Our seven Global Issues Evenings speakers provided valuable insights into many diverse international issues. Every presentation at the University of North Florida was at capacity.
- Thanks to partnerships with The Gate Governors Club, each of the five Global Business Luncheons produced a stellar turnout at The River Club, meeting an important need of our business community.
- With the help of WJCT Public Radio interviews and articles in the Jacksonville Business Journal, Florida Times-Union and the Daily Record, these speaker series reached far beyond the 6,000 audience members who attended.

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**MEMBERSHIP**

- The Council has grown to include 1,000 members, of whom more than half are at the Premier level.
- Young Professional membership (21-40 years) includes 105 members.

**SPECIAL ENGAGEMENTS**

- Joseph Scarpaci, David Satter, Robin Wright, Ryan Crocker and Joseph Nye led conversations with top-tier members and sponsors about Cuba, Russia, the Middle East, diplomacy and “soft power.”
- Ambassador Marilyn McAfee hosted her annual International Wine Party, with proceeds benefitting the Council’s education programs.
- A very special luncheon was held featuring Ambassador Ryan Crocker.
- At the Annual Member Celebration, Donna Orender regaled us with fascinating stories of serving on the State Department sports missions.

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS**

- Hosted in partnership with GlobalJax and The Haskell Company a Global Exchange focused on “NGOs and Civic Activism” with emerging leaders from India’s private sector.
- Four YPs participated in the YP Mentor Program, partnering with Council Board members.
- YP Stammtisch was hosted in partnership with Seasons 52 immediately following each Global Issues Evening.
- Special presentations, socials and international trivia nights were hosted in partnership with many local organizations and businesses.

**FEATURED SPEAKERS 2012-2013**

- European Debt Crisis
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  U.S. Economics Editor, The Economist

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