



Bringing the World Closer

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow Council Members:

Last month we concluded our Global Issues Evenings for the 2018-2019 season with

James & Deborah Fallows. Their discussion of their best-selling book, "Our Towns," which chronicled their 100,000 mile journey into the heart of America,

emphasized the importance of local communities. As a Council, we take great pride in our Jacksonville community, in the engagement we see in these important discussions and the support we receive from people like you every day. It was a fitting way to conclude a series that had taken us all around the world, from Africa to Asia and then back home.

This month we are joined by **Mark Zandi**, Chief Economist of Moody's Analytics, for the final Global Business Luncheon of the season. Zandi comes to us through our partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, having been selected as a keynote speaker for their 2019 Financial Markets Conference. Then, we'll conclude our season with the Annual Member's Celebration at the end of the month. Here, we'll recap the events and accomplishments of your Council this season and take a look ahead to the speakers and programs we'll be bringing you in 2019-2020. Thank you for your support this season, and I look forward to celebrating with you soon.

Lt. General F.L. "Buster" Hagenbeck, USA (Ret.)
 Chairman of the Board



BUSTER HAGENBECK

GLOBAL BUSINESS LUNCHEON

The U.S. Economic Outlook: Are We Getting it Right?

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019

12:00-1:30 P.M.

The River Club



MARK ZANDI

Chief Economist, Moody's Analytics

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Cost: \$50 (Council Members)
 \$75 (Non-Members) \$1,000 (Table Sponsor)

Complimentary reservations and seating available for Sponsors and Ambassador's Circle Members must be secured 24 hours prior to the event for up-front seating.

Co-Hosted with:



THE RIVER CLUB

ANNUAL MEMBER CELEBRATION

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019 | 6:00-8:30 P.M.

WJCT Studios

Join your fellow Council Members and Sponsors for a celebration of the 2018-2019 season and a "sneak peek" of the 2019-2020 season. Career American Diplomat **John Caulfield** will discuss "Legal Immigration: Who Gets In & How?" and we will learn about incoming speakers and plans for next season. Lasagna dinner and a cash bar will be provided.

2019 SPRING EVENTS

MAY 21, 12:00 P.M.

Mark Zandi
Global Business
Luncheon
The River Club

MAY 28, 6:00 P.M.

Annual Member
Celebration
WJCT Studios

Council EDGE

Introducing Council EDGE, the new World Affairs Council of Jacksonville Young Professionals Group:

The World Affairs Council of Jacksonville is dedicated to creating avenues for everyone to engage with the world around them. Recognizing Northeast Florida's young professionals as a group that will define Jacksonville's future interactions with the world at-large, we are working to inform these young citizens through the work of the Council. Council EDGE is designed to deliver opportunities for young professionals to draw connections between our world and our local community. The program is built on four cornerstone objectives: **Engage, Dialogue, Grow, & Educate (E.D.G.E.)**.

If you know any young professionals (21-40 yrs.) in the Jacksonville area, encourage them to get involved today!

National Academic WorldQuest



The national Academic WorldQuest competition, where local WorldQuest winners gather to compete for the national prize, was held at the end of April in Washington, D.C. Team Caravan Bogeyman from Duncan U. Fletcher High School represented your World Affairs Council of Jacksonville. Not only were they able to explore the historic sites of the city, but they also studied hard and placed in the top ten of all teams nationally!

EDUCATION

International Crisis Management Exercise



STUDENTS PARTICIPATE
IN ICME

On April 6th, high school students from across Northeast Florida took part in the International Crisis Management Exercise (ICME), a role-playing simulation where students serve as members of the National Security Council (NSC). Students advised the President on policy and actions in response to this year's crisis: "Cyber Clash with China." **Ambassador Marilyn McAfee** and **Admiral Jonathan T. Howe**, two of our past Council Board Chairs, served as our Presidents for the afternoon.

As students made advancements regarding the United States' plan of action in response to the threat from China, "troublemaking" college students from Flagler College surprised the NSCs with breaking news and developments from around the globe that shaped the progress of the NSCs' solutions to the original crisis.

After three hours of thoughtful deliberation and discussion, students shared their group's policy and action recommendations with their peers, parents, teachers and Council Board members over lunch.

ICME, which serves as the culminating experience of the Council's yearlong Great Decisions program, encourages deeper and more thoughtful exchange about democratic processes and decisions, foreign policy procedures and current issues faced by the U.S. government. It also allows students to develop their ability to think quickly and adapt to the complexity of economic, diplomatic and military relationships on an international level, while working alongside their peers from across Northeast Florida.

Many thanks to the 'Presidents' Marilyn and Jon, as well as the 'Heads of the Troublemakers,' Flagler's **Dr. Brenda Kauffman** and UNF's **Dr. David Schwam-Baird**, who dedicated their time and expertise and made this role-play exercise come to life!

Education Fundraiser

Your memberships and sponsorships make programs like the International Crisis Management Exercise possible. The generosity we've seen from our Council community these past few years has helped our education programs to expand across the First Coast. Last month, in an effort to further grow the program, we called for your assistance. You answered! At our final programs of the season, featuring **James and Deborah Fallows**, you gave more than **\$11,000** in donations to help our education programs. Know that these funds are already at work within your community, impacting students across Northeast Florida.

Support Our Students

If you are interested in supporting our students, please contact **Alexandra Osborne, Director of Education and Community Outreach for the Council**.

Learn more at:
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