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## MEETING REGISTRATION

We request that all members register and pay by credit card for meetings online, if at all possible.

## May Speaker—Thomas M. Schoewe

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of **Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.** See more information on page 4.

## President's Letter

May 1, 2007

To Our Members, Sponsors and Friends,

Welcome to May with Financial Executives International. Even though it's only May, we've already started planning for 2007/2008. Our summer planning meetings are scheduled and we're working on budgets for the new year. Debbie has several excellent speakers scheduled for our Fall 2007 chapter meetings. Our committee chairs are already planning for our next year. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to forward them to me.

The May meeting will be fun as our Cinco de Mayo evening. We're very excited to be hosting Thomas Schoewe, EVP and Chief Financial Officer of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. This promises to be a fun and interesting evening.

Thanks to all of our board members that have worked so hard this past year. We've had many great programs, thanks to Debbie Adkins. Our membership has grown 20% due to Eric Morris, Kathy Downs and the active membership committee. Our newsletters and directory look great and have been published every month, thanks to Stuart Jones. Mike Eggett has gotten our Career Services committee active again. Mark Bennie has done a fantastic job with the Academic Committee's scholarships and internships. Wanda Evans, thanks for your coordination and planning with the Grand Bohemian. Ann Graham has worked hard to initiate the CFO Roundtable series and coordinate the audit of our chapter's finances. Fred Barone and Renato Carrasco, thanks for all your work with the sponsors. Brian Roub and Rick Asta have been instrumental in a number of areas. And last but not least, thanks to Jim Bria for all his work with the chapter finances. As you can tell, it takes a well oiled machine to deliver the quality output you receive as a member of Central Florida FEI.

I'd also like to thank Genia and Shelton Gordon for their timeless energy as chapter administrators this past year. Genia and Shelton will be moving on, but we appreciate all your hard work. At the same time I'd like to welcome Melanie Batcheller as our new chapter administrator. Melanie will be working with Genia and Shelton at our May membership meeting, so be sure to welcome her.

As with all professional organizations, our success is dependent on the active involvement of the Members and Sponsors and we encourage your participation. The nominating committee will be presenting your slate of candidates for your board of directors and committee chairs for the next year. If you would like to become more involved, please feel free to contact me.

Enjoy the evening with CB Richard Ellis as our Gold sponsor and many thanks for your continued support of our Chapter!

With best regards,

**Dr. Stuart Michelson**

President

Central Florida Chapter of FEI

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

**Eric Morris, Chair**

### GUESTS

Welcome to the following guests of Kathy Downs of Robert Half, who are expected to attend the May 3rd dinner meeting:

| <u>Guest</u>       | <u>Company</u>          |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| • Mark Mroczkowski | Sequiam Corporation     |
| • Mitch Krasny     | Former Deloitte partner |
| • Rob Frese        | BBA Aviation            |
| • Alicia Rodites   | BBA Aviation            |
| • Marek Bakun      | Morrison Homes          |

The chapter now has **115 members**, a net **increase of 17 (17.3%)** from the beginning of the year.

### PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

**Interested in membership?**

Contact **Eric Morris**, Chair of the Membership Committee (his contact information is in the middle column of page 3), or any other committee member, board member or the Chapter Administrator for information and an application.

### Share the Wealth

#### DEADLINE EXTENDED!

Think about it. Networking, knowledge, advocacy, ethical leadership. Plus the cachet of belonging to the premiere organization of its kind. Membership in FEI offers a wealth of benefits.

We are excited that our newest membership recruiting campaign, **Share the Wealth, has been extended**. The campaign is designed to help current FEI members and chapters literally "share the wealth" of FEI with qualifying prospects.

New members who join FEI before **June 30, 2007** enjoy special benefits including:

- **Save 50%** off the initiation fee, a **savings of \$125**

Please feel free to contact Nancy Ehlers at FEI, [nehlers@fei.org](mailto:nehlers@fei.org) or (973) 765-1099 with any questions. You can apply directly for this special offer at a special web site, **[fei.org/sharethewealth](http://fei.org/sharethewealth)**.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

**Jim Bria, Treasurer**

Thanks to all of our sponsors and members for their financial support to the chapter this past year. It has truly been a milestone year for us in my view in terms of member growth, quality of programs, and continued support to the academic and business communities, just to name a few.

With the 2007-2008 fiscal year ahead, we'll soon be communicating our dues structure for members and sponsors. Look for communication from your Board on this in June.

As 2007-2008 approaches, we'll also be continuing to look for ways to improve our service to all members and minimize administrative costs to the chapter. As announced previously in the February newsletter, the chapter will only accept prepayments, checks and credit cards for member meetings. All accounts will need to be settled on meeting night; no different than if we ordered dinner in any other establishment. The best course of action is to take advantage of paying your local dues for the full year. A favorable structure that provides you a discount on meals, includes valet parking, and a discount on meetings. Your chapter will work hard to set up a 2007-2008 dues structure that makes this attractive to our members.

Thanks again to all sponsors and members for their support of our chapter in 2006-2007. With your support, your chapter can move into 2007-2008 in our strongest financial position to date.

## CAREER SERVICES COMMITTEE

**Mike Eggett, Chair**

We have had a good year in Career Services. The job market is the best it has been in years. We have had some successful meetings with good speakers, both local and national. We want to take this time to remind our members of the services available.

- **FEI-National.** Reduced membership fees for those in transit or consulting. Career management guide and counseling services. Board of Directors membership directory and register. Confidential national registration and exclusive national and local job postings. Career Services' chairs who serve as local contacts and job search guides in most major cities. National's Career Services support staff, led by Diane Albergo and Susan Cully, who are available to provide counseling, resume review, and other career management support. A number of additional resources such as executive recruiter contacts and listings, reduced fee services, and job search listings and sources.
- **Career Services-Local.** Contact Mike Eggett at [eggettm@bellsouth.net](mailto:eggettm@bellsouth.net) or 407-760-5905. He can help you with local recruiters and position postings, resume and job search preparation, and contacts with both local members, national, and FEI friends and sponsors. We are planning next year to have a number of career services meetings to network, and address career search needs and questions with the group and with speakers from Friends of the FEI. Contact Mike if you have an interest in serving or participating. You do not have to be in transition to learn and share.

## **CFO Roundtable Discussions**

**Ann Graham, Chair**

In a continuing effort to enhance the value of your FEI membership, and in addition to our regular monthly membership meetings, the Central Florida Chapter of FEI is proud to announce its first **CFO Roundtable Discussion** luncheon to be held at the Citrus Club on **Thursday, May 10, 2007 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

The new luncheon discussion format provides an additional opportunity for CFO members and potential members to get together in an informal setting, to share work experiences, and best practices, and to discuss current issues facing them as CFO's.

The main topic of this first roundtable facilitated discussion will focus on, but not be limited to, "**Private Company Valuation**," which the survey showed was a topic of interest for many of our members. Several CFO members with extensive experience in that field will be in attendance to share their real life experience with us.

Please bring with you any additional topics you may be interested in discussing, and time permitting, we will open up the discussion to other topics. As we are planning to have additional CFO roundtable discussions in the future, any topic of interest not covered at this meeting can be placed on the agenda for discussion for our next roundtable.

Please note that there is **no cost** for this luncheon, which is being graciously sponsored by **Kforce**.

As this is a small group roundtable luncheon, space is limited, so please make your reservation quickly, but no later than **May 7th, 2007** by registering on-line or e-mailing Genia at [genia@fei-centralflorida.org](mailto:genia@fei-centralflorida.org).

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## **PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

**Debbie Adkins, Chair**

**2006 — 2007**

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**May 3, 2007:**

**Chapter Dinner Meeting**  
**Thomas M. Schoewe**  
**Executive Vice President & CFO**  
**Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.**  
Sponsored by: **CB Richard Ellis**

### **Menu Selections:**

**May 3, 2007:**

**Chapter Dinner Meeting**  
**Cinco de Mayo Celebration On**  
**the Third – Come Celebrate With**  
**Us!**

Shrimp Cocktail Ceviche  
Seared Red Snapper with Shrimp,  
Chorizo in a Saffron Sauce  
Mango Crème Brulee

Join us for a very festive evening.

**2007 — 2008**

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

All Dinner Meetings will be at the  
Grand Bohemian Hotel

- **September 6, 2007**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting
- **October 4, 2007**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting  
**Martin Biegelman**  
Director of Financial Integrity  
**Microsoft Corporation**
- **November 1, 2007**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting
- **December – TBD**  
Holiday Party
- **January 10, 2008**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting
- **February 7, 2008**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting
- **March 6, 2008**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting
- **April 3, 2008**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting
- **May 1, 2008**  
Chapter Dinner Meeting

**NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE****Stuart Michelson, Chair****BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Nominations Committee recommendations, to be voted upon at the May 3, 2007 meeting of members, follow.

**RENOMINATIONS:****OFFICERS & DIRECTORS**

- **Dr. Stuart Michelson**  
Chapter President  
Professor of Finance  
Stetson University
- **Deborah S. Adkins**  
Chapter Vice President  
Partner, Cross, Fernandez and Riley
- **Jim Bria**  
Chapter Treasurer  
Controller, The Trane Company

**DIRECTORS**

- **Mark A. Bennie**, Controller  
Siemens Power Generation, Inc.
- **Renato C. Carrasco**, CFO  
Primrose Center Inc.
- **Mike Eggett**  
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- **Wanda Evans**, Partner  
Tatum LLC
- **Ann Y. Graham**  
Resources Global Professionals
- **Stuart W. Jones**, President & CEO  
Professional Management Company, LLC
- **D. Eric Morris**, CFO & Treasurer  
Wayne Automatic Fire Sprinklers, Inc.
- **Bryan R. Roub**

**NEW DIRECTOR NOMINEES:**

- **Thomas Pennison**, CFO  
Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Inc.
- **Milan Bendik**, Director-Finance Services  
Disney Shared Services
- **Halil Kiyamaz**, Associate Professor of Finance  
Rollins College
- **Karen Lane**, Director of Internal Audit  
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**MAY SPEAKER**

**Thomas M. Schoewe**  
**EVP & CFO — Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.**

Appointed CFO of Wal-Mart in January 2000, Tom Schoewe is responsible for treasury, tax, accounting and control, business planning and analysis, internal auditing, and several other key areas of the Company. In addition, during June 2005, the lead financial executive in each of the operating segments (Wal-Mart, SAM'S CLUB, and International) began reporting directly to him.

Prior to his employment at Wal-Mart, Schoewe served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Black and Decker Corp., a position he held from 1993-1999.

Prior to that, he served four years as Black and Decker's Vice President of Finance and was responsible for all financial operations except treasury and tax functions.

He previously held the position of Vice President of Business Planning and Analysis. He joined Black & Decker in 1986 after serving at Chicago-based Beatrice Companies, where he was Chief Financial Officer and Controller of Beatrice Consumer Durables, Inc.

During October of 2001, he joined the Board of Directors of Centex Corporation.

Tom graduated from Loyola University of Chicago with a bachelor's of business administration in finance. He also attended the University of Chicago's executive MBA program and is a member of Financial Executives International.

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