



November/December 2017 Newsletter President's Message

Dear FEI Members,

I am pleased to announce at the November 30th Chapter Meeting, legendary business leader and philanthropist Mr. Richard Resch will be our keynote speaker. We look forward to seeing the membership at this exciting event where Mr. Resch will highlight his role as CEO and his 40 year career at KI. Please note as a friendly reminder that our Chapter Meeting, November 30th at Bridgewood will start at 1:00 PM. Professional development topics will include a presentation on LinkedIn and also an investment market outlook. Thank you Experis Finance and Francis Investment Counsel in advance for presentation of the professional development topics. We are excited about the upcoming meeting and look forward to seeing you in a couple short weeks.

Before we leave the month of November, I would like to respectfully acknowledge our military veterans and active duty personnel in observance of the recent Veterans Day Holiday. Thank you veterans for your service and sacrifice to our country.

I would also like to communicate our recent attendance at the FEI Fall Chapter Leadership Workshop in Scottsdale, Arizona. Executive Committee Members, Mr. Larry Barton, Mr. Jim Rubright and Mike McNamara were in attendance. Affirmation of FEI National's passion and commitment to enhance value to the membership was provided at the training session. Enhancement of strategies to provide training, technology, advocacy and networking were reviewed at the workshop. The direction of FEI reflects the response of leadership toward meeting the needs of the membership at the chapter level. I am confident growth and effectiveness of FEI will continue in a very positive direction.

In closing, acknowledging our recent chapter meeting is timely as Ms. Linda Zukauckas, EVP from American Express, addressed the chapter on Thursday, October 19th. Ms. Zukauckas spoke to our chapter discussing her career path and the important topic of diversity. Sincere thanks to Ms. Zukauckas and to Ms. Melanie Miller for facilitating a timely presentation to the chapter. Professional development sessions discussed fraud liability and compliance by Attorneys Ms. Stacy Gerber Ward and Ben LaFrombois, who represent von Briesen Law Firm. Additionally, Mr. Mark Padjen, Director from BMO Harris Bank, reviewed strategic alternatives toward the buy/hold/sell evaluation. These timely topics were very informative.

Again, we hope to see our members at the November 30th Chapter Meeting, and extend our wishes for happy holidays to you and your family. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions either by phone or email.

Sincerely,

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