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April 2017

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Verisign

Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room

Friday, April 14, 2017



Jim Bidzos is an Internet pioneer and entrepreneur, having built two companies into billion-dollar businesses. The first, RSA, led the development and productization of cryptography during the 80s and 90s. It's technology to this day provides the security for secure sessions in every major browser and smart phone, securing hundreds of millions of transactions every day. His second company, Verisign, which he founded in 1995, in addition to internet security services, operates critical Internet infrastructure services for billions of online users across the globe. Hundreds of billions of times per day, Verisign securely helps users navigate to the websites and services they seek online, supporting over \$300 billion in direct e-commerce activity in the U.S. alone. After creating the company and serving as its first CEO, he stepped down and then returned as CEO in 2008 to restructure the company, and today continues to serve as CEO and chairman.

Today, the Internet touches the lives of everyone in profound ways. With cyber security breaches filling today's headlines, the security of corporate and personal data in transit and stored in servers is a burning issue for virtually everyone. His experience will allow him to provide a unique perspective on the evolution of Internet security over four decades, as well as sharing his current view and outlook on the security and privacy challenges facing businesses, governments and users worldwide today.

Guest Ticket Requests for April 14, 2017

James D. Bidzos

To place a request for one guest ticket please submit to forumclub@theforumclub.org

Robert S. Evans
 Curtis Finch Jr.
 Joseph G. Fogg III
 Frank C. Fontana
 Dorothy A. Gerrity
 Bradley L. Heiges
 Susan S. Jones
 Robert A. Levy
 James R. Lozelle
 J. Richard Munro
 Maureen Ann O'Gorman
 Clark T. Randt Jr.
 Janet P. Rathbun
 David A. Rismiller
 Deborah A. Stewart
 Patricia Stratton
 Robert J. Stucker

PAST PRESIDENTS

Thomas B. Wheeler
 2014-2015
 William F. Allyn
 2013-2014
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 2012-2013
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 2011-2012
 Ulla Norris
 2010-2011
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 2009-2010
 Alan M. Horton
 2008-2009
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 2007-2008
 W. Wallace Abbott
 2006-2007
 Carl J. Kuehner
 2005-2006
 Richard I. Wilson
 2004-2005
 William E. Hoglund*
 2003-2004
 L. Lindsey Halstead*
 2002-2003
 Edward J. Putzell Jr.*
 2001-2002
 Linda C. Flewelling
 2000-2001
 Thomas E. Ingram
 1999-2000
 Carol E. Girardin
 1998-1999
 R. James Harvey

If guests tickets are available
 requests are processed in order of receipt
 and must be received by

April 7th

They will be mailed by that date and you will be billed \$40,
 or notified if there is no space.

Tickets are non-exchangeable and non-refundable

STUDENT GUEST PHOTOS



Students from PACE Center for Girls attended the luncheon
 on January 6, 2017 with Fiona Hill and were sponsored by
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Rogan

1997-1998

Raymond Mueller*

1996-1997

Donald J. York

1995

John M. Passidomo

1994

William C. Sinclair*

1993

Joe B. Cox

1992

John T. Duffner*

1991

Alan R. Korest

1990

Tom Shea

1989

Corbin A. Wyant

1988

Robert D. Stakich*

1987

Brenda C. Wilson

1986

Leonard F. Llewellyn*

1985

William S. Gentry*

Founder

* deceased



Students from First Baptist Academy attended the luncheon on March 31, 2017 with James Rosen and were sponsored by Lorna Craig

2016-2017 SPEAKER PROGRAM

WILL ACKERLY
November 11, 2016
Chief Technical Officer &
Co-Founder
Virtu

**FREDERICK H.
WADDELL**
December 9, 2016
Chairman and CEO
The Northern Trust
Company

FIONA HILL
January 6, 2017
Director of Center on
U.S. & Europe
Brookings Institute

WILLIAM J. FALLON
January 13, 2017
Admiral, Commander
United States Central
Command

NAPLES DAILY NEWS SPONSORSHIP

William S. Gentry, Marco Island Bureau Chief for the *Naples Daily News*, and other community leaders organized a club to present prominent and well informed speakers to the growing number of retired executives in the Naples area. The Forum Club of Southwest Florida began in 1985.

In 1988, Bill Gentry again had the foresight to invite students from each area high school to luncheon meetings as guests of a sponsoring Club member.

In 1992, as a tribute to the accomplishments of the founder of the Club and its first executive director, after his death the Board of Directors established the William S. Gentry Student Scholarship Award that is presented each year to one senior from each Collier County high school.

The *Naples Daily News* has been proud to sponsor the students and their administrators for lunch since the inception of the award.

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February 3, 2017
 CEO
 Feld Entertainment

IVO H. DAALDER
February 17, 2017
 President
 The Ohio State
 University

**SHELDON M.
 RETCHIN MD, MSPH**
March 3, 2017
 Executive V.P. of Health
 Services
 The Ohio State
 University

ABDULLAH SHARIF
March 17, 2017
 Peace Diplomat
 U.S. Depts. of State &
 Defense

JAMES ROSEN
March 31, 2017
 Chief Washington
 Correspondent
 Fox News

D. JAMES BIDZOS
April 14, 2017
 Founder, Chairman &
 CEO
 Verisign

- *Provide a congenial meeting atmosphere for members to enjoy prominent speakers in fields such as academia, business, economics, finance, government, health, international relations, media and the arts, science and technology ;*
- *Promote the highest civic, moral and ethical standards;*
- *Share the "Forum Club Experience" with outstanding high school students in Collier County;*
- *Provide scholarships to Collier County high school students.*

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