

# FEI Connections



## FEI at Mapre Stadium August 27, 2016



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Blackwell Inn & Conference Center

Schneider Downs

Michael Renzelman &

Trevor Warren

"Understanding the FASB's New Leasing Standard"

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Blackwell Inn & Conference Center

KeyBank

Bruce McCain

"Economic & Investment Update, When a New Administration Meets Old Economic Problems"

March 2017

TBD

April 2017

TBD

May 2017

TBD

June 2017

TBD

For more information, or to make a reservation, contact Analisa Trares at [atrares@columbus.rr.com](mailto:atrares@columbus.rr.com), or visit [www.financialexecutives.org](http://www.financialexecutives.org).

FEI enjoyed the Columbus Crew SC vs the San Jose Earthquakes on Saturday, August 27, 2016 at Mapre Stadium. The Columbus Crew SC won 2-0. The outing included a buffet dinner in the Heineken Star Lounge. The Columbus Crew SC is a professional soccer club based in Columbus, Ohio which competes in Major League Soccer in the Eastern Conference of the league.



## Breakfast with the Department of Labor September 28, 2016



Everhart Advisors invited FEI Members and Sponsors to "Breakfast with the Department of Labor" on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at Scioto Country Club. The breakfast included a discussion of important considerations for group health & retirement plans, managing healthcare costs, "financial wellness" and integrated benefit strategies.

## Strategic Ideas for Implementing Frequently Overlooked Tax Strategies for Middle Market Businesses October 18, 2016



FEI and Ed Morrow, Director of the Family Wealth Consulting Team, Key Private Bank, discussed "Strategic Ideas for Implementing Frequently Overlooked Tax Strategies for Middle Market Businesses" on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at Brookside Golf and Country Club. Mr. Morrow leads a team of tax attorneys and investment professionals who help clients and business owners, design and implement sophisticated wealth strategies.

## Managing Your Executive Career November 15, 2016



FEI and Janice Worthington, Founder and President of Worthington Career Services, discussed "Managing Your Career" on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at Brookside Golf and Country Club. Ms. Worthington covered strategies for a promotion, a successful job search and making things happen to advance your career.

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## FEI at The Ohio Taproom December 13, 2016



FEI enjoyed a "Beer Tasting" on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at The Ohio Taproom. The Ohio Taproom specializes in Ohio crafted beer and offers growler fills and pints and local snacks and desserts.

### Upcoming Events:

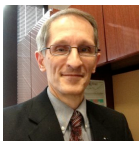
## Understanding the FASB's New Leasing Standard January 17, 2017



Join FEI and Schneider Down's Michael Renzelman, CPA, Shareholder, Accounting, Assurance and Advisory Services, and Trevor Warren, CPA, Senior Manager, Accounting, Assurance and Advisory Services, as they discuss "Understanding the FASB's New Leasing Standard" on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 from 7:30-9:00 am at the Blackwell Inn and Conference Center. To make a reservation:

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=jfrnnzoab&oeidk=a07ednmeol90449e6b4>

## Economic & Investment Forecast February 21, 2017



Join FEI and KeyBank's Bruce McCain, Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Strategist, Key Private Bank, as he discusses "Economic & Investment Outlook: When a New Administration Meets Old Economic Problems" on Tuesday, February 21, 7:30-9:00 am at the Blackwell Inn and Conference Center.

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FEI enhances member professional development through peer networking, career management services, conferences, research and publications.

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## In Remembrance

**FEI regretfully shares the obituaries of Ray Stephens and Robert Speer. Ray Stephens was a Past FEI President and an active FEI Member for seventeen years. Robert Speer was an active FEI Member for forty-two years. Their presence will be greatly missed.**

### Obituaries:

Ray Garrett Stephens, 72, of Athens, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Sept. 2, 2016, while surrounded by his close family.

Ray is preceded in death by his wife of 42 years, Jean Joyner Stephens, and his parents Nancy Garrett Adams and Alvin Ray Stephens, Jr. He is survived by his wife, Ann Gabriel; daughters Heather (Craig Barrett) Stephens and Wendy Stephens; and son Adam (Laura) Stephens. Born in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, Ray grew up in Atlanta, Georgia, and attended the [University of Georgia](#). He served as an officer in the [United States Navy](#) from 1965 to 1968, earning a [Bronze Star](#) for his service in Vietnam. Ray ultimately achieved the rank of Lieutenant Commander, and continued service in the Naval Reserves until 1978.

After beginning his career in the banking field, he went on to receive his MBA from East Carolina University and a Doctorate in Business Administration from the Harvard Business School. Ray was internationally known as an accounting academic, consultant, expert witness, and professional educator who linked academic research to accounting practice.

Ray began his academic career at The [Ohio State University](#) (1978-1991) rising to the rank of full professor. He later joined the faculty of Kent State University (1991-1999) where he served as the KPMG Professor and Department Chair.

Ray moved to Ohio University in 1999, beginning a 16-year tenure that included the honor of serving as Director of the School of Accountancy from 1999 to 2007. Ray was honored for his service to the accounting profession. He was elected President of the Ohio Region of the American Accounting Association (1990-91) and was named the Outstanding Ohio Accounting Educator in 1995. In 2003, he was awarded the President's Award for his long and meritorious service to the academic community in Ohio. Ray was also appointed to the Accountancy Board of Ohio (2002-2008) and served as its Chair in 2006.

He was an active member of the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants and served as President of its Columbus Chapter (1987), State Director (1988), and State Vice President (1990-1991). In 2004, Ray received the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants Gold Medal, the highest honor bestowed by the organization.

Ray was a loving son, father, husband, and friend and enjoyed spending time with his family and many friends. He loved to travel and was proud of having visited all 50 states and of his many international travels. He was honored with the opportunity to share his expertise around the world in places such as France, Indonesia, China, Costa Rica, England, and all across the United States. Ray was an avid golfer and played many of the prestigious courses throughout the country and the world. He was a great sports fan, especially of college basketball and football, and especially enjoyed rooting for his University of Georgia Bulldogs. Ray also enjoyed talking about his adventures, and friends and family will miss hearing his stories.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, September 30, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hughes-Moquin Funeral Home, 168 Morris Ave., Athens Ohio. Prior to the memorial service, friends of Ray may call at the funeral home from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friends are encouraged to share their memories of Ray by signing the online guestbook or leaving a private message of sympathy at [www.hughesmoquinfuneralhome.com](http://www.hughesmoquinfuneralhome.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Ray G. Stephens Endowed Scholarship at the Ohio University Foundation, which can be sent to "Ohio University Foundation, 1 Ohio University, Athens, OH 45701.



## Obituaries Continued:

Robert Lloyd Speer passed away October 13, 2016 at the Crestview Nursing Home in Lancaster Ohio. His family appreciates the gentle loving care of Fair Hope Hospice and the Home Helpers of Lancaster and the many kind, wonderful people who did their best to care for him including Dr Sielski, and the medical teams of The Fairfield Medical Center, Grant Hospital, The James Cancer Hospital, (especially Dr. Elder and Dr. Pudavalli) and the Crestview Nursing Home. Halteman-Fett & Dyer Funeral Home arranged for cremation.

Bob is survived by his wife of 62 years, Ann Baird Speer; his four children: Marla Speer of NYC, Karen Speer of Houston, John (Marsha) Speer of Westerville, and Paula Speer of Brooklyn; his five grandchildren: Iris (Lester) Poon of Vancouver, BC, Justin Speer of Cincinnati, Joshua Speer of Cincinnati, Nikita (Art) Ramirez of Houston, and Erik Forrest Friend of Houston; and great-grandchildren: Nathan, Noah, and Adrian Ramirez and step great-grandchildren Ayla and Nyah Rameriz, all of Houston. He is also survived by his sister Sue (Ken) Lawrence of Las Vegas, brother-in-law Richard Markstrom of Louisiana, First Cousin Patty Pyle Campbell of Newark, OH, along with three nephews and two nieces. His parents and sister Jane Ellen Markstrom preceded him in death.

Bob was born to the late Annabelle Pyle and Lloyd Frederick Speer on Apr 22, 1931 in Newark, OH. He graduated from Newark High School in 1949 and Miami University in 1953, with a BS in accounting, and as a member of Beta Alpha Psi, an honorary accounting society. Bob played the clarinet and was a member of both his high school and college marching bands. He was on the editorial staff of the Miami Student Newspaper for four years and was Assistant Sports Editor his senior year.

After graduation Bob worked at [General Motors](#) in Cleveland, until being drafted into the US Army, where he served two years at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He then worked at Diamond Power in Lancaster for 17 years, after which he went on to serve as CFO for four different companies in Columbus, Ohio, and retired from Union Fork and Hoe in 1992. Bob was an active member of F.E I. (Financial Executives International.)

A man who liked to be busy, Bob pursued many interests. From childhood on he collected postage stamps, assembling a collection that was fascinating and could entertain one for hours. Having learned housing construction as a teen working alongside his grandfather in the summers, he was a productive do-it-yourselfer, tackling carpentry, brick laying, wiring, painting, and whole room additions. He loved driving his car, traveling, riding his bicycle, listening to classical music, telling jokes — he had expert timing! -- collecting art, and exploring genealogy. He enjoyed social dinners with FEI and the Philatelic Foundation, and the monthly breakfasts of the Diamond Power Retirees.

The great passion of his life was creating beautiful, sparkling, stained glass art. After visiting Franklin Art Glass in 1970, he was inspired to make stained glass night lights, boxes, sun catchers, and window and wall hangings. He exhibited and won awards at the Lancaster Zane Square Festival and the Lancaster County Fair. Eventually he created stained glass Tiffany-Style lamp shades, panel lamp shades, and even custom stained glass windows. Many homes in Lancaster and the surrounding areas are decorated with his art glass. Today his work is sold in the gift shops of The Columbus Museum of Art, The Diary Barn Arts Center in Athens, and The Lancaster Ohio Glass Museum, as well as many local shops in the central Ohio area, including the Four Reasons Restaurant and the Flowers of the Good Earth Garden Gift Shop.

He was a great family man and a truly amazing person. We will miss him.

## Education Opportunities- Upcoming Webcasts

**January 18, 2017**

**11:00 AM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[BREXIT: A New Course Forward ||| Radius | Global Growth Experts](#)**

**January 18, 2017**

**2:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[How Kyriba Solves Hedge Accounting || Kyriba](#)**

**January 24, 2017**

**1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[Your IPO Readiness Roadmap || Workiva](#)**

**January 26, 2017**

**1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[How to Respond to the Inevitable Cyber-Attack || Microsoft](#)**

**January 31, 2017**

**2:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[The CFO's Guide to Insightful Planning, Reporting and Analytics || Vena Solutions](#)**

**February 8, 2017**

**2:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[Building and Sustaining Cross-Functional Relationships](#)**

**February 9, 2017**

**1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[How to Test Systems To Deter the Inevitable Cyber-Attack || Microsoft](#)**

**February 23, 2017**

**1:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[How to Insure for the inevitable Cyber-Attack || Microsoft](#)**

**March 15, 2017**

**2:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[Finance Skill Sets and the Future of Finance Talentr](#)**

**April 12, 2017**

**2:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[Advancing Your Executive Brand through LinkedIn and FEI Connect](#)**

**May 10**

**2:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)**

**[Using Difficult Conversations to Build Consensus Webinar](#)**

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