



FROM THE

PRESIDENT



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Our first Monthly Meeting of the year on January 10th was a great kickoff to 2022. It was very encouraging to see registrations for the PD session and Dinner meeting both jump from our fall numbers. After averaging 165 attendees for our fall chapter meetings, January registrations reached 240. What a great atmosphere to have a near-full ballroom for Marc Giannoni's economic update presentation. Prior to the evening event, the professional development session featured a panel of top area recruiters answering the question – "Where Did All the Financial Talent Go?" It was a great panel discussion, but I think we're still asking the question. If you were unable to attend these programs, you may view a recording of the presentations in the [EVENTS LIBRARY](#) at the FEI Dallas website.

"The Glamorous Era of Travel" is upon us! This year's Winter Social on February 19th will be a wonderful event you do not want to miss. Our Social Events committee (Alice Elkins, Jennifer Norris, Dana Bickford, Jackie Dunn, Scott Smaistrila, and Kristin Ramirez) have planned this special evening of music, dancing, food and more for our members and sponsors. It will be held at the Frontiers of Flight Museum at Dallas Love Field Airport, and is the one event of the year that includes significant others, although singles are welcome too! Registration is open at the chapter website through February 10th. Book it now!

Once again we remind you that our current plan for Monthly Meetings is in-person only. We'll continue to monitor state and local guidance for COVID protocols should a change be needed. Temperature monitoring and personal disclosures are still in place for in-person chapter events. Special Interest Groups and other chapter-related in-person gatherings all follow different protocols depending on the hosting site. Be sure to read the details closely when registering for an event.

On a bit of a sad note, we lost another longtime member and leader of the Dallas Chapter of FEI. Dave Palmlund passed away on January 21st at the age of 79. Dave was a fixture at FEI events until his failing health made it difficult to attend. He was very active on the national level serving FEI and representing the interests of the Dallas Chapter. We have all benefited from Dave's decades of service.

Hopefully as COVID-19 cases begin another decline, more and more of us will begin to venture out and network. We look forward to seeing you. Welcome to 2022!

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