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Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room

Friday, February 18, 2011



J. Christopher Flowers is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of J.C. Flowers & Co. LLC, an investment firm founded in 1998, specializing in financial services, with investments largely in the USA, Japan and Europe in banking, insurance and finance. J.C. Flowers & Co. Funds have committed capital totaling over \$10 billion.

Previously, Mr. Flowers was head of the Financial Institutions Group at Goldman, Sachs & Co. He joined Goldman Sachs in 1979 in the Mergers and Acquisitions Department. Mr. Flowers was among the founders of Goldman's Financial Institutions Group in 1986, and became a general partner of Goldman in 1988. He also served on Goldman's Operating Committee. Mr. Flowers left Goldman Sachs in 1998.

Mr. Flowers is chairman of NetsforLife, a program aimed at reducing malaria. He is a trustee of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. Mr. Flowers is a member of the Investment Committee of St. James' Church and on various committees associated with Harvard University.

He graduated magna cum laude in Applied Mathematics from Harvard University in 1979.

**Guest Ticket Request for
February 18, 2011
J. Christopher Flowers**

Joseph G. Fogg III
 L. Patt Franciosi
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PAST PRESIDENTS

Founder
 William S. Gentry
1985
 Leonard F. Llewellyn
1986
 Brenda C. Wilson
1987
 Robert D. Stakich
1988
 Corbin A. Wyant
1989
 Tom Shea
1990
 Alan R. Korest
1991
 John T. Duffner
1992
 Joe B. Cox
1993
 William C. Sinclair
1994
 John M. Passidomo
1995
 Donald J. York
1996-1997
 Raymond Mueller
1997-1998
 R. James Harvey
1998-1999
 Carol E. Girardin
1999-2000
 Thomas E. Ingram
2000-2001
 Linda C. Flewelling
2001-2002
 Edwin J. Putzell Jr.
2002-2003
 L. Lindsey Halstead
2003-2004
 William E. Hogle
2004-2005
 Richard I. Wilson
2005-2006
 Carl J. Kuehner
2006-2007
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Tickets are Non-exchangeable and Non-refundable

Ronald A. DePinho, M.D.

*Professor of Medicine
 Harvard Medical School
 Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room
 Friday, February 25, 2011*



Dr. DePinho is a leading scientist in the fields of cancer and aging. His research has focused on the intimate link between cancer and aging as well as the genetic basis of cancer and how such knowledge can enable the accurate development of effective targeted cancer therapies and optimize the treatment of patients with cancer. Dr. DePinho's recent discovery that the aging process can be reversed, captured worldwide media attention and was cited among the top 10 scientific discoveries of 2010 by *TIME*.

Dr. DePinho is Professor of Medicine and Genetics at Harvard Medical School and the Founding Director of the Belfer Institute for Applied Cancer Science at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The Belfer Institute is the first fully-integrated milestone-driven cancer drug discovery initiative in an academic setting, combining the best operational attributes of academia and industry. His scientific discoveries have formed the foundation for several biotechnology companies including AVEO Pharmaceuticals (Nasdaq), Metamark Genetics, and Karyopharm Pharmaceuticals. Dr. DePinho also advises numerous biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, forged Belfer alliances with Merck and Sanofi Aventis, which represent the two largest academic-pharmaceutical alliances to date, chaired numerous advisory boards including the human cancer genome project, and runs two multi-institutional program project grants focused on brain and pancreas cancer.

Dr. DePinho graduated Summa Cum Laude and Salutatorian from Fordham University, received his M.D. degree with distinction from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and performed his postdoctoral training at Columbia. He has received numerous awards and honors including March Of Dimes Scholar Award, Melini Award for Biomedical Science, American Society for Clinical Investigation Award, Einstein's Distinguished Alumnus Award, American Cancer Society Research Professorship, the Helsinki Medal, and Albert Szent-Györgyi Prize for Progress in Cancer Research, 2009. He is a Member of the Institute of Medicine and Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Guest Ticket Request for

2007-2008

Malcolm B. Chancey Jr.

2008-2009

Alan M. Horton

2009-2010

Wade F. Keller

2010-2011 SPEAKER PROGRAM

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November 5, 2010

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JOHN W. ROWE

November 19, 2010

Chairman & CEO
Exelon Corporation

DIANE HESSAN

December 10, 2010

President & CEO
Communispace

JOHN D.

NEGROPONTE

January 7, 2011

Former Deputy Secretary
of State, Director of
National Intelligence,
and U.S. Representative
to the UN

HALEY BARBOUR

January 28, 2011

Governor of Mississippi

J. CHRISTOPHER

FLOWERS

February 18, 2011

Founder, J.C. Flowers &
Co.

RONALD A. DePINHO

February 25, 2011

Professor of Medicine,
Harvard Medical School

DENISE MORRISON

March 11, 2011

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President, North America
Soup, Sauces &
Beverages, Campbell's

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March 25, 2011

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The Washington Post

February 25, 2011 Dr. Ronald A. DePinho

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Please remember, guests must be accompanied by a member.

Tickets are Non-exchangeable and Non-refundable.

REFUND & GUEST TICKET POLICIES

If members are unable to attend a luncheon, they may notify the office by e-mail, mail or phone by 5:00 p.m. the prior Friday in order to receive a \$20 refund per lunch. Due to our guarantee to the hotel, we are unable to issue a credit after the deadline.

However, we still appreciate knowing if you are not going to use your ticket for purposes of honoring guest ticket requests. Credits will be issued to members at the end of the season.

Guest tickets are processed in the order received and will be sold on an as available basis. The availability of guest tickets is contingent upon members notifying the Forum Club office of their inability to attend a luncheon. If space becomes available, guest tickets will be released. As always guest tickets are non-refundable and non-returnable.

If you have any questions regarding any of the Club's ticketing policies, call the Forum Club office at 239.436.3574.

FORUM CLUB HISTORY

The Forum Club originated in the summer of 1984, when William Gentry wrote letters and visited some 25 business and professional leaders in Naples and Marco Island. Gentry was nearing retirement from his job as Marco Island Bureau Chief for the *Naples Daily News* and he thought a club that would present prominent and well informed speakers would be a good project for his retirement years.

The first organizational meeting of the Club was held at The Naples Beach Hotel on November 9, 1984. One of the early, major supporters was the hotel's owner, Henry B. Watkins, Jr., and the Watkins family has remained vital to the Club's success to the present day. Of the twenty people at the first meeting, fourteen agreed to serve on the initial Board, which established an original initiation fee of \$25! It also set the future course of the Club as non-profit 501 (c) (6) and non-partisan.

The initial officers were elected, including Leonard Llewellyn as president, Henry Watkins Jr., president-elect, Brenda Wilson, vice

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president and the aforementioned Bill Gentry as executive director and secretary.

The initial dues were set at \$75 annually. A vital decision was made by the founders that the Club would pay travel and hotel expenses for the speaker and spouse, but would not pay an honorarium. The Forum Club has never paid a fee or honorarium to any of its distinguished speakers, finding it more challenging and satisfying to invite speakers through efforts by members, who reach out to friends and colleagues.

The first formal program of the new Forum Club took place on February 1, 1985, when a group of ninety-eight members and forty-five guests gathered in the Sunset Terrace Room of the Naples Beach Hotel to hear the Director of Public Affairs at the Kennedy Space Center speak on "Our Future in Space."

Over the past 25 years, the Club has attracted many outstanding guests, including three Supreme Court Justices (Harry Blackmun, Byron White and Clarence Thomas). The Club also prides itself on identifying and presenting speakers before they become household names. A good example would be General Norman Schwarzkopf, who gave a program about the Middle East to the Forum Club on February 2, 1990 - some six months before he took command of the Desert Storm operation in the Persian Gulf.

In 1988, Bill Gentry initiated a new program for the Club by inviting students from each area high school to the luncheon meetings as guests of a sponsoring Club member. In 1992, the Board of Directors established the William S. Gentry Student Scholarship Award in his memory that is offered each year to one senior from each Collier County high school. The criterion includes academic excellence and community civic responsibility of the chosen students. The *Naples Daily News* has been proud to sponsor the students and their administrators for lunch since the inception of the award.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Forum Club's mission is to:

- *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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