



2015 LEADERSHIP RETREAT AT AMELIA ISLAND

TAKING US TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Schedule and Retreat Details (As of February 9, 2015)

MEETINGS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

12:30 – 1:30 P.M. **National Councils Registration and Welcome Lunch** *(members and guests)*

2 – 5 P.M. **National Council Meetings** *(members only)*

Arts, Sciences & Engineering
Eastman School of Music
River Campus Libraries
School of Medicine and Dentistry
School of Nursing
Simon Business School
Warner School

5 – 6 P.M. **Registration**

Join us for an informal gathering where registration materials will be distributed.

6 – 9 P.M. **Welcome Reception and Dinner**

Enjoy a casual dinner with welcome remarks from Board of Trustees Chair Ed Hajim and President Joel Seligman and entertainment on the oceanfront lawn.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

7:30 – 8:30 A.M. **Breakfast**

8:30 – 9:30 A.M. **For Guests:** Breakfast hosted by Delores Conway and Barbara Hajim

8:30 A.M. – 4 P.M. **Business Meetings**

Board Chair Ed Hajim and other leaders will introduce our session, which will be highlighted by a presentation from President Joel Seligman on “The Next Level” white paper. The remainder of the day’s program will be focused on “Next Level” core strategies and include a series of brief presentations from University faculty members and interactive discussions.

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES (*continued*)

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

- 9:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.** ***For Guests: White Oak Conservation Tour and Lunch***
White Oak is one of the world’s premier wildlife breeding, research, and training facilities. Home to 28 species of endangered animals, it leads professional efforts to improve veterinary care, develop holistic animal management techniques, and better understand the biology of critically endangered species. The group will tour the facility and see the animals in their natural surroundings from open-air vehicles. Following the tour, guests will enjoy lunch on the White Oak grounds.
- 10 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.** ***For Guests: Salt Cooking School and Lunch***
Go behind the scenes at Salt, The Ritz-Carlton’s AAA Five Diamond Award-winning restaurant. Guests will immerse themselves in the Salt kitchen and learn how to artfully prepare the same dishes the chefs create in the restaurant. Following the class, guests will enjoy the lunch they’ve prepared in the Salt dining room. (*space is limited*)
- 6 – 9:30 P.M.** ***Celebrating Our Impact Dinner***
Join us for a memorable evening celebrating *The Meliora Challenge* and the meaningful impact that it has had on the University and its students, faculty, programs, and facilities.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

- 7:30 – 9:30 A.M.** **Breakfast**
- 8 – 9:30 A.M.** **Board Meeting for Voting Trustees** (*members only*)
- 9:30 A.M. – 2 P.M.** **Business Meetings**
On Friday, the discussion of “The Next Level” white paper will continue with another series of brief presentations from University faculty members and interactive discussions. President Seligman will make concluding remarks on our path forward.
- 9:30 A.M. – 2 P.M.** ***For Guests: Amelia Island River Cruise and Lunch***
The diversity of flora and fauna on Amelia Island makes it one of the most distinctive coastal regions in America. On this scenic Intercoastal Waterway cruise, guests will see manatees, herons, egrets, dolphins, and wild horses, while a historian shares the history of Amelia and Cumberland Islands. Following the cruise, guests will enjoy lunch in Fernandina Beach.
- 10 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.** ***For Guests: Salt Cooking School and Lunch***
See March 26 description
- 2 – 3:30 P.M.** ***The Meliora Challenge Campaign Cabinet Meeting*** (*members only*)

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES (*continued*)

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

2 – 3 P.M. Volunteers in Partnership: A Discussion on How the University Can Enhance Its Partnership with Volunteer Leadership (*optional*)

This is an opportunity to become more informed about the scope of University of Rochester volunteer engagement efforts and the impact you have had. It is also a chance for you to share successes and challenges from your experiences as volunteer leaders and discuss how volunteers, as a group, can have a greater impact on the University mission moving forward.

3 – 4:30 P.M. Women as Leaders in Philanthropy (*optional*)

The Women As Leaders in Philanthropy initiative at the University of Rochester explores the power of women's giving and how philanthropy differs by gender. Join us in a discussion with volunteer leaders about how thoughtful giving translates into change—and bring your ideas as well!

6 – 9 P.M. Informal Dinners with University Leadership

For those staying in Amelia Island on Friday night, University leaders will host small dinners at various locations at The Ritz-Carlton and across Amelia Island.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

8 – 9:30 A.M. Breakfast

9 A.M. The Meliora Cup Golf Outing

Join us for The Meliora Cup outing at The Golf Club of Amelia Island, located on The Ritz-Carlton property. The cost is \$195 per player (payable on site) and lunch will be provided.

10 – 11:30 A.M. Salt of the Earth Custom Blending-Bar Experience

Hand-blend your own salt or sugar scrub and whipped body crème with a scent from The Ritz-Carlton's signature aroma collection. This interactive experience will be led by a "salt barista" who will demonstrate how to create the products. (*space is limited*)

ACCOMODATIONS

*The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island | 4750 Amelia Island Parkway | Amelia Island, Florida
(904) 277-1100 | www.ritzcarlton.com/ameliaisland*

ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE OR CHANGED BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20. Coastal view rooms are available at The Ritz-Carlton for the nights of Tuesday, March 24 through Saturday, March 28 at a rate of \$285 plus tax, per night. Reservations can be made online at <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/UniversityofRochester2015> or via phone at 866-763-2960. Please reference the group name "University of Rochester Retreat."

EXPENSES

The University is pleased to provide attendees and their guests with transportation to and from the airport; all meals on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday; and the guest programs on Thursday and Friday. Attendees are asked to cover all other expenses related to travel and hotel accommodations.

AIRPORT INFORMATION AND TRANSPORTATION

The Jacksonville International Airport (JAX) is approximately 40 minutes from Amelia Island. If you have not done so already, please make flight reservations as soon as possible. Shuttle transportation will be provided for all attendees between the airport and The Ritz-Carlton from Tuesday to Sunday, so it is not necessary to rent a car. Please include all flight information on your reservation form.

OTHER ON-ISLAND ACTIVITIES

Located on 1.5 miles of beachfront property, The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island is home to a full-service spa, private golf course, and tennis complex, plus an extensive selection of daily activities, including nature walks, kayaking tours, and boat excursions. Retreat attendees have access to all of these amenities throughout their stay and can make reservations for the spa by calling (904) 277-1087 and any other activities by calling the Concierge at (904) 277-1100. For more information, visit <http://www.ritzcarlton.com/en/Properties/AmeliaIsland/Default.htm>.

SUGGESTED DRESS

Dress for the meetings and evening activities is resort casual. Please note that a portion of each dinner will be outside, so we suggest wearing appropriate footwear.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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