

Deadline for Nominations for the 4th Annual Economic Club of Florida Stan Tait Memorial Award is **September 15, 2016**

The Florida Economics Club (as it was first called) held its first meeting at the old Silver Slipper in the back of the Northwood Mall on September 1, 1977. A planning committee of eight had been formed to create this new club. The initial committee included Bob Arnow, Bruce Bechard, Cliff Burkhart, Larry Dunn, Jack Mowell, Bill Rader, Bert Riedel and Stan Tait.

Over the years, the Club would grow in size and stature. Stan Tait, who would eventually become the Executive Vice President of the Club, was instrumental in that growth. With Stan's leadership and steady hand at the helm, the Economic Club of Florida (as it is now called) became recognized as one of the South's most important forums for distinguished speakers on issues of the day.

The Stan Tait Memorial Award is a tribute to a remarkable man and friend who worked tirelessly to make this Club a success. The intent of the award is to recognize current or former Club members in good standing who also display the character, dedication, integrity and passion for service epitomized by Stan Tait. The Award is an annual reminder that, contrary to conventional wisdom, nice guys DO finish first!

Nominees must be:

- A current or former member in good standing of the Economic Club of Florida
- Nominated by a member in good standing of the Economic Club of Florida
- Contribute beyond their day-to-day responsibilities to the Club and/or the Community
- Exhibit leadership excellence in the Club and/or the Community
- Demonstrate the Club's culture and embody the values of Stan Tait in one or more of the following areas:

Economic Club and Other Activities:

- Contribution to the scheduling of luncheon speakers;
- Contribution to research and economic development via the nominee's normal job activity, community volunteer activity, and/or entrepreneurship;
- Contribution to Club membership;

Putting People First:

- Keeps the interests of others first and foremost;
- Listens to what others are saying and to their needs;
- Works with colleagues to deliver the best result for the Club and/or the Community;

Leading With Exceptional Ideas:

- Contributes by breaking new ground with innovative ideas;

- Allows the facts and different points of view broaden his/her perspective;
- Is vigilant in pursuing better ways to accomplish the objective;

Doing the Right Thing:

- Acts with integrity and fairness;
- Thinks like an owner to create long-term Club and/or Community values;
- Recognizes and rewards honesty, collegiality, character and compassion;

Giving Back:

- Is generous with time, money and expertise;
- Invests in the future of our Club and/or our Community;
- Mentors colleagues...especially the next generation.

Stan Tait Memorial Award Nomination Form

Nominator Contact Information

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Nominee Contact Information

Name: _____

Current Position: _____

Email: _____

Describe why your nominee should be considered for the Stan Tait Memorial Award. How does he/she exemplify the values listed on page 1? Be as specific as possible and cite relevant examples.

Please limit your response to 2000 words, and use an additional sheet of paper if necessary.

Please list two additional Club members who could speak to your nominee's accomplishments:

Member 1: _____ **Member 2:** _____