

WISCONSIN FORUM

2020-2021 SEASON

Kicking off the Season:

RICK ESENBERG



Wisconsin Forum offers the opportunity to hear and interact with articulate speakers to discuss economic, moral, and philosophical principles.

The Wisconsin Forum Board of Directors invites you to become a member for the 2020-21 season and attend five dinner events dedicated to the principles of freedom, individual responsibility, and the free market.



IDEAS HAVE CONSEQUENCES

The goal of the Wisconsin Forum is to provide an opportunity for business leaders, educators, and students to interact with, and learn from, the leading economic and business scholars of our age.

ABOUT WISCONSIN FORUM

The Wisconsin Forum was founded in 1965 by some of Milwaukee's industrial leaders to help educate their employees about free market concepts. The Forum's speakers have included authors, business leaders, economists, educators, entrepreneurs, journalists and Nobel Laureates. Notable Wisconsin Forum speakers include: Joseph Bast, Mark Belling, Donald Boudreaux, James M. Buchanan, William Buckley, Sheriff David Clarke, Edward Crane, Edith Efron, Richard Epstein, Milton Friedman, Henry Hazlitt, Jacob Hornberger, David Horowitz, Gary Johnson, Daniel Kelly, Matt Kibbe, Dale Kooyenga, Arthur Laffer, Robert Levy, Yuri Maltsev, Herman Mashaba, John McAdams, Michael Miller, Stephen Moore, Michael Novak, Eric O'Keefe, Ron Paul, Rt. Hon. Enoch Powell, Leonard Read, Lawrence Reed, Lew Rockwell, Amb. Murray Rothbard, Rev. Robert Sirico, Mark Skousen, Michael Tanner, James Taylor, Richard Thieme, Cal Thomas, Mark Thornton, Jeffrey Tucker, Amb. John Wood, Thomas Sowell, Ira Winkler, Walter Williams, and Tom Woods.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ryan Law, President

Law Tanning Co. & Global Cycling Supply

John Savage, Vice President

Attorney at Law

Jess Ripp, Treasurer

Ripp Realty

Jason Kuwayama, Secretary

Godfrey & Kahn

Carol Baricovich

Rick Braun, USMC Veteran

SWAT Environmental

Kirsten Golinski

Badger Institute

Tim Peterson

Sales Automation Support, Inc.

Daniel Schneck

MD6 Holdings, LLC

Eric Searing

Wisconsin Institute for Law & Liberty

Kristina Olkowski-Sayas, Executive Director

Wisconsin Forum

WISCONSIN FORUM

17345 Civic Drive, Brookfield, WI 53045

(312) 925-8600

executivedirector@wisconsinforum.org

www.WisconsinForum.org

| Membership Level | WI Forum Seasonal Membership Benefits | Price |
|--|---|--------|
| Online Streaming ONLY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stream (5) dinner events | \$175 |
| Single Subscription | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One (1) dinner for five (5) events | \$300 |
| Single Subscription with Student Sponsorship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One (1) dinner for five (5) events One (1) student sponsorship for five (5) events | \$515 |
| Double Subscription | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two (2) dinners for five (5) events Dining with educational leaders and students | \$590 |
| Double Subscription with Student Sponsorship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two (2) dinners for five (5) events One (1) student sponsorships for five (5) events | \$805 |
| Speaker Sponsorship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two (2) dinners for five (5) events Two (2) student sponsorships for five (5) events Ten (10) additional guest dinners at the sponsored event or spread throughout the season Option to introduce the speaker during sponsored event Dining with the speaker during sponsored event | \$2950 |

GUEST PRICING FOR DINNERS

Single Dinner Ticket
\$70

Single Dinner Ticket, Academia
\$35

Single Table Package
\$515
(includes a reserved table for 8 with signage)

RICK ESENBERG

Thursday, October 15, 2020

In Defense of the Conservative Consensus: Reaganism for the 21st Century



Rick Esenberg is the founder and current President and General Counsel of the Wisconsin Institute for Law & Liberty, a rapidly expanding law and policy organization headquartered in Milwaukee. Under Rick's leadership, WILL has grown

into one of the more active state-based think tanks and litigation centers in the country. Esenberg will discuss how both the left and the right are increasingly skeptical of the classical liberalism – free markets and free people – that informed conservative “fusionism” and was broadly accepted on the center right and the center left. Esenberg intends to argue that the “dead consensus” is not dead.

RYAN OWENS

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Intellectual Diversity in Higher Education



Ryan J. Owens is the Director of the Tommy G. Thompson Center on Public Leadership at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is the George C. and Carmella P. Edwards Professor of American Politics. His research focuses on law and courts and

American political institutions. Owens' presentation will discuss how conservatives and libertarians fit – or don't fit – within academia and what needs to be done about it. Owens intends to argue that higher education remains critical for the state and nation, and that conservatives should take a greater interest in joining and reforming it to ensure its continued viability and success.

2020–2021 EVENT SCHEDULE

5:30–6:30 Cocktails & Networking

6:30–7:15 Dinner

7:15–8:00 Presentation

8:00 pm Q & A Session

VENUE

Milwaukee Yacht Club

1700 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr, Milwaukee, WI 53202

ALEX NEWMAN

Thursday, January 14, 2021

Has COVID-19 Given Parents Greater Control Over Johnnie & Jane's Schooling?



The state has taken the responsibility handed to them by parents to educate the next generation. What they have done with this obligation is nothing short of a National Crisis. Education standards are constantly declining while political correctness and socialism and so-called environmentalism have replaced academics, reason and logic. Capitalism, free-markets, individualism, and the precepts of a constitutionally limited government are in great peril unless parents are cautioned to take back control of teaching proper fundamentals to our ever so impressionable K–12 children.

SAMUEL GREGG

Thursday, February 11, 2021

The Case Against Economic Nationalism



Samuel Gregg is research director at the Acton Institute. He has written and spoken extensively on questions of political economy, economic history, ethics in finance, and natural law theory. Economic nationalism has gained adherents on the left and right of American Politics. This lecture will illustrate

why economic nationalist policies are neither good for American business or America as a whole.

JENNIFER GROSSMAN

Thursday, March 11, 2021

To Get Objectivism Taken Seriously, Don't Take Yourself So Seriously



“Howard Roark laughed.” The first line of Ayn Rand's *Fountainhead* suggests what's missing in modern Objectivism—laughter, levity, and a willingness to take creative risks. As CEO of The Atlas Society, Jennifer Anju Grossman has pioneered promotion of Ayn

Rand's ideas in social media-friendly formats: graphic novels, animated videos, humorous memes, and living history events. Her unconventional approach riles some old-school proponents of a more academic sensibility while delighting her target audience of young people just discovering these ideas. “It's not only possible to take ideas seriously—while not taking oneself too seriously,” says Grossman, “It's essential. If you're worried about making mistakes, offending the 'wrong people,' or being criticized then you'll stifle your imagination and creativity.”