

Recognize an Outstanding Educator

The MSCPA Awards, Education & Scholarships Committee is seeking nominations for the Outstanding Educator Award for 2016-2017.

Each year the committee requests nominations for selection of an educator who has made significant contributions as an accounting instructor. The winner will be announced at the Accounting Educators' Symposium on October 28 and

will be honored during the MSCPA Annual Business Meeting at Convention on June 24.

Nominations should be submitted in writing by October 1 to be considered by the committee. Send your nominations to Outstanding Educator, c/o MSCPA, 306 Southampton Row, Ridgeland, MS 39157 to the attention of Annette Pridgen, Committee Chairman.



MSCPA 2015-2016 Outstanding Educator Dr. Morris Stocks (center), pictured with Awards, Education and Scholarships Committee Chairman Annette Pridgen (left) and MSCPA 2015-2016 Chairman Cheryl Lee (right).

DOL Overtime Rules Instructor to Speak to MSCPA Chapters

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) on May 18, 2016, released a final rule amending the requirements for overtime pay that would dramatically increase the salary threshold for exemptions here in Mississippi and throughout the nation. While most accounting firms will work to absorb the additional payroll expectations, the overtime rules will have a significant impact on smaller accounting firms. MSCPA President/CEO Karen Moody is working to schedule a DOL overtime rules instructor to speak to each MSCPA chapter this fall. If you are a chapter president or representative, please contact Karen (kmoody@ms-cpa.org) to schedule a presentation.

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MSCPA Board Meetings

The MSCPA Board of Governors met Tuesday, July 26, 2016 with 2016-2017 Chairman Charles Prince presiding.

Upcoming Board Meetings:

- October 18, 2016 at 4:00 pm
MSCPA Training Center, *Ridgeland*
- December 6, 2016 at 4:00 pm
Old Capitol Inn, *Jackson*
- May 11, 2017 in conjunction with
Committee Day; MSCPA Training
Center, *Ridgeland*

Save the Date!

Health Care Services Seminar
September 23, 2016

Industry Conference
October 21, 2016

Accounting Educators'
Symposium
October 28, 2016



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Welcome New Members

New members include Christopher Griffith, David William Overby, Gregory Paul Tapis, and Marian Rebecca Tillman.

Now completing the membership process are:

Brett Wooten Cantrell was born in Memphis, Tennessee and received a Bachelor of Accountancy and a Master of Accountancy from the University of Mississippi, and a PhD in Accounting from the University of Texas at Austin. He is an Assistant Professor at the University of Mississippi in Oxford.

Pattie R. Grossman was born in Tupelo and received a Bachelor of Accountancy from Mississippi State University. She is an Accountant with BFMW Group, PLLC in Greenwood.

Maegan Marie Knight was born in Hattiesburg and received a Bachelor of Accountancy and a Master of Accountancy from Mississippi State University. She is a Controller & Manager of Financial Services

with the University of Southern Mississippi Foundation in Hattiesburg.

Angela Lynn Lovorn was born in Meridian and received a Bachelor of Accountancy from the University of Mississippi and a Master of Accountancy from Mississippi State University. She is a Senior Accountant with North American Coal-Liberty Mine in DeKalb.

Justin Bradley Pelot was born in Flowood and received a Bachelor of Accountancy and a Master of Accountancy from Mississippi State University. He is a Staff Accountant with Haddox Reid Eubanks Betts PLLC in Jackson.

Gwenzetta Rochelle Pollard was born in Hinds County and received a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Tougaloo College and a Post Baccalaureate Accounting Certificate from Mississippi College. She is Assistant Controller with Delta Medical Center in Memphis, Tennessee.

AICPA & CPA/SEA Interchange Conference



MSCPA staff attended the AICPA & CPA/SEA Interchange Conference in July and networked, learned and shared ideas with state society colleagues from across the U.S. Pictured from left: Ellen Sullivan, Director of CPE; Karen Moody, President/CEO; Lydia Carlisle, CPE Registrar; Jennie Truhett, Director of Marketing and Communications.



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Members in the News

2015-2016 James L. McCoy Discussion Leader of the Year award

Surgent Professional Education, the leader in the field of continuing professional education for CPAs, has announced that William F. (Bill) Taylor has been named as the recipient of the 2015-2016 James L. McCoy Discussion Leader of the Year award.

Taylor, an instructor with Surgent McCoy for over 15 years, is only the 8th recipient of this award for excellence in continuing professional education. The award is given each year to the instructor who has the highest ratings for knowledge and presentation skills nationwide. He teaches on topics involving individual, business, and estate taxation as well as employee benefits and financial planning.

Bill is a CPA with a small tax practice in Water Valley, Mississippi. Prior to his retirement in 2013 he was President of Renasant Bank in Water Valley and an Employee Benefit Advisor for Renasant Financial Services. Bill graduated from the University of Mississippi with a BBA in Banking and Finance and a Master of Accountancy in Taxation. He began his career in the Jackson office of KPMG Peat Marwick and has worked with several firms in the state as an employee benefit consultant while managing his own firm, Benefit Solutions, Ltd. Bill was recently elected 2016-2017 MSCPA Vice Chairman/Chairman-Elect.

Surgent Professional Education is registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of CPE on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors and with NASBA's Quality Assurance Service (QAS). Each one of their courses is accepted for CPE credit in all 50 states.



William Taylor

Three named shareholder at Matthews, Cutrer and Lindsay, P.A. accounting firm



Kimberly Hardy



William McCoy



Michelle Stonestreet

Matthews, Cutrer and Lindsay, P.A. is pleased to announce the addition of 3 new shareholders, Kimberly L. Hardy, CPA/CFF, William (Bill) McCoy, CPA and Michelle R. Stonestreet, CPA.

A native of Greenville and a graduate of Millsaps College, Mrs. Hardy's primary focus will be serving the firm's Forensic Accounting; Nonprofit, Governmental and Small Business Accounting and Assurance needs.

A native of Clinton and graduate of Mississippi College, Mr. McCoy's primary focus will be serving the firm's small business, construction and LIHTC housing clients.

A native of Jackson, now living in Gluckstadt, and a graduate of the University of Mississippi, Mrs. Stonestreet's primary focus will be serving the firm's taxation.

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Metro-Jackson Accountants support MS Children's Museum

The Mississippi Children's Museum (MCM) is always looking for grown-ups to help lead and guide the way for children. Located in Jackson, MCM is a non-profit museum with core educational initiatives including Literacy, Cultural Arts, Mississippi Heritage, STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), and Health and Nutrition. BKD, LLP, based in Jackson, has played a valuable role in supporting the museum's efforts to help educate, inspire, and serve the children of our community.

For the second consecutive year, BKD was a generous sponsor for *Neon Nights*. This annual summer fundraiser brought together young professionals for a food truck dinner, raffle games, live music and

a signature drink competition, and most importantly, to discover and support the museum. This event would not have been successful without the diligent planning committee comprised of business professionals and accountants who are dedicated to supporting Mississippi's children.

This year's *Neon Nights* fundraiser donated a record-breaking \$27,500 to MCM!

Financial literacy is another component that allows children and MCM to have a secure future. New Board Member, Olivia Host, joined MCM in May 2016 and will serve as an advisor for the museum's new initiatives during her term. Host is a seasoned CPA

with years of experience and is currently Partner at BKD. MCM is grateful to the committed professionals from multiple



Olivia Host

institutions that are not only passionate about their craft, but also about serving the community. If your firm is interested in volunteering or supporting MCM, visit mschildrensmuseum.org/give or call 601.981.5469.

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What is the Young CPA Network?

It's a group designed to help young MSCPA members establish connections with other aspiring professionals, exchange ideas and grow in their careers. Network discussions are geared toward professionals ages 22 to 35, or those within the first 5 years of becoming a CPA.

Why should I get involved?

The Young CPA Network will put you on the fast track to becoming a leader with the MSCPA. Volunteer positions with the Young CPA Network include Board of Directors, Events Committee, Communications Committee and Conference Committee. The Young CPA Network hosts social events and a Young CPA Conference for CPE credits each year allowing members to connect with peers. The Network also takes an active role in promoting the CPA profession among students.

Email msyoungcpa@ms-cpa.org to get involved!



Kimberly Williams



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Meet the Firms

Members of the MSCPA Young CPA Network will visit with college accounting students at the Meet the Firms events and will talk with them about their future plans for becoming a CPA.

Meet the Firms Dates

August 24 Ole Miss	August 31 Mississippi State	September 6 Millsaps
August 29 Mississippi College	September 1 Southern Miss	

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CPE September-October 2016

9/20/2016

Tuesday
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Ethics, Rules, and Regulations

Discussion Leader: William F. (Bill) Taylor, CPA

Cost: Members: \$145 **Non-Members:** \$185 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-12

Level: Update **CPE Credit:** 4 Ethics **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** ERR-8

Course objectives and description: This seminar satisfies the State Board's requirement for three hours of general ethics and one hour of Mississippi Rules and Regulations

9/20/2016

Tuesday
Ridgeland
MSCPA Center

From Hiring to Firing and Everything In-Between: Legal and Payroll Tax Issues

Discussion Leader: William F. (Bill) Taylor, CPA

Cost: Members: \$145 **Non-Members:** \$185 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 1:00-4:30

Level: Basic **CPE Credit:** 4 Tax **VENDOR:** SURGENT **ACRONYM:** HFE4

Course objectives and description: The employer-employee relationship strains both sides in a troubled economy, and businesses need CPAs, controllers, and other advisors to provide understanding of the complex legal and payroll tax issues associated with all aspects of employment. This course provides in-depth coverage of this critical area.

9/21/2016

Wednesday
Ridgeland
MSCPA Center

Construction Contractors Advanced Issues

Discussion Leader: Andrew C. (Andy) Copeland, CPA

Cost: Members: \$260 **Non-Members:** \$335 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$30

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

Level: Update **CPE Credit:** 6 A&A 2 Tax **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** CCAI

Course objectives and description: The construction industry comes with many advanced accounting issues, audit procedures, and tax issues, which makes construction contractor engagements inherently higher risk than other engagements. As a result, practitioners and financial professionals should be prepared to address difficult issues such as look-back calculations, measuring progress of contracts, overhead allocations, and internal controls for construction contractors. Learn about some of the most pervasive issues in the construction industry and how to identify and manage

9/23/2016

Friday
Ridgeland
MSCPA Center

Health Care Services Seminar

Discussion Leader: Panel

Cost: Members: \$220 **Non-Members:** \$295 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

Level: Intermediate **CPE Credit:** 8 TBD **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** HCSS

Course objectives and description: As the date for this event approaches, please access the MSCPA web site for details and registration information on this conference. www.ms-cpa.org

9/27/2016

Tuesday
Ridgeland
MSCPA Center

Surgent's Handbook for Mastering Basis, Distributions, and Loss Limitation Issues for S Corporations, LLCs, and Partnerships

Discussion Leader: Jonathan S. Ingber, CPA

Cost: Members: \$260 **Non-Members:** \$335 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

Level: Intermediate **CPE Credit:** 8 Tax **VENDOR:** SURGENT **ACRONYM:** HMBI

Course objectives and description: The most difficult concepts to master when dealing with flow-through business entities are the basis and distribution concepts. Major error and malpractice issues occur if the CPA does not fully understand the impact of these rules. This course is designed to focus on the practical applications of these rules.

9/28/2016

Wednesday
Ridgeland
MSCPA Center

Preparing Individual Tax Returns for New Staff and Para-Professionals

Discussion Leader: Jonathan S. Ingber, CPA

Cost: Members: \$260 **Non-Members:** \$335 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

Level: Basic **CPE Credit:** 8 Tax **VENDOR:** SURGENT **ACRONYM:** PITR

Course objectives and description: The objective of this course is to train new staff accountants, data processing employees, para-professionals, and bookkeepers to prepare a complicated federal individual income tax return. Over the years, thousands of new staff have received practical, hands-on experience to become familiar with most tax forms. This course covers the latest tax law changes, making it essential for your new staff.

10/21/2016

Friday
Ridgeland
MSCPA Center

Industry Conference

Discussion Leader: Panel

Cost: Members: \$145 **Non-Members:** \$220 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

Level: Intermediate **CPE Credit:** 8 **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** IND

Course objectives and description: As the date for this event approaches, please access the MSCPA web site for details and registration information on this conference. www.ms-cpa.org

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10/24/2016

Monday

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Marriott Courtyard

AICPA's Annual Federal Tax Update**Discussion Leader:** Edgar Gee, CPA**Cost: Members:** \$260 **Non-Members:** \$335 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$30**Course Hours:** 8:30-4:30**Level:** Update **CPE Credit:** 8 Tax **VENDOR:** AICPA **ACRONYM:** PTU-1

Course objectives and description: Save time and keep current on the latest tax developments! This comprehensive course covers all legislative, judicial, and IRS developments of the past year with a focus on implementation and compliance. Discover how to effectively and confidently complete tax-planning and compliance engagements. Cover current developments affecting individuals (including those regarding income, deductions and losses, tax calculations, individual credits, filing matters), business entities (including those regarding S Corporations and their shareholders, C Corporations, partnerships), estates and trusts, retirement plans, and more.

10/24/2016

Monday

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Marriott Courtyard

Ethics, Rules and Regulations**Discussion Leader:** James R. (Jim) Crockett, CPA, DBA**Cost: Members:** \$145 **Non-Members:** \$185 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0**Course Hours:** 8:30-12**Level:** Update **CPE Credit:** 4 Ethics **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** ERR-9

Course objectives and description: This seminar satisfies the State Board's requirement for three hours of general ethics and one hour of Mississippi Rules and Regulations

10/24/2016

Monday

Gulfport

Marriott Courtyard

What Accountants Should Know about Fraud**Discussion Leader:** James R. (Jim) Crockett, CPA, DBA**Cost: Members:** \$145 **Non-Members:** \$185 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0**Course Hours:** 1:00-4:30**Level:** Intermediate **CPE Credit:** 4 A&A **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** WSKF

Course objectives and description: This course will discuss the fraud triangle, elements of fraud, types of fraud, characteristics of fraudsters, internal controls fraud symptoms, liability for fraud, and why auditors fail to detect fraud. What to do if fraud is suspected and the accountant's professional responsibilities concerning fraud.

10/25/2016

Tuesday

Gulfport

Marriott Courtyard

Not-for-Profit Accounting & Reporting: From Start to Finish**Discussion Leader:** Bill Felder, CPA, CISA**Cost: Members:** \$260 **Non-Members:** \$335 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$30**Course Hours:** 8:30-4:30**Level:** Intermediate **CPE Credit:** 8 A&A **VENDOR:** AICPA **ACRONYM:** NPAR

Course objectives and description: Rather than training to run part of the race, train to run the entire race from start to finish. This course trains you to clear key hurdles in not-for-profit accounting and reporting in an efficient and effective manner. Avoid the potholes of confusion and finish first by providing a financial picture that end users can truly understand.

10/25/2016

Tuesday

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Marriott Courtyard

The Complete Trust Workshop!**Discussion Leader:** Harris H. (Trip) Barnes, III, JD**Cost: Members:** \$260 **Non-Members:** \$335 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0**Course Hours:** 8:30-4:30**Level:** Intermediate **CPE Credit:** 8 Tax **VENDOR:** SURGENT **ACRONYM:** TCTW

Course objectives and description: The use of trusts in 2016 will continue to undergo changes. Clients need to be informed why planning is essential in these changing times. The purpose of this course is to explore the many beneficial issues of trusts, an essential element in estate planning. This course gives insights and practical pointers concerning trusts of every shape and size after tax reform.

10/28/2016

Friday

Ridgeland

MSCPA Center

Accounting Educator's Symposium**Discussion Leader:** Panel**Cost: Members:** \$85 **Non-Members:** \$85 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0**Course Hours:** 8:30-4:30**Level:** Update **CPE Credit:** 8 TBD **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** AES

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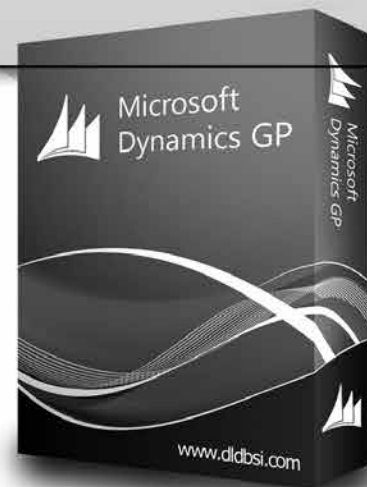
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8:00 AM	8:30 AM	Registration & Continental Breakfast - Sponsored by HORNE
8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Keynote Address: HFMA National Update <i>Chad Mulvany</i> <i>HFMA National</i>
9:30 AM	10:30 AM	Medicaid Update <i>Dr. David Dzielak</i> <i>MS Division of Medicaid</i>
10:30 AM	10:45 AM	Morning Break - Sponsored by BKD
10:45 AM	11:45 AM	Leases – Where It's Going Jessica Sumrall - BKD CPAs& Advisors Matt Bailey - BKD CPAs & Advisors
11:45 AM	12:15 PM	Lunch Break - Sponsored by Hollis Cobb Associates
12:15 PM	1:30 PM	Cyber Crime and IT Security <i>Ken Miller, HORNE LLP</i> <i>Mike Skinner, HORNE LLP</i>
1:30 PM	1:45 PM	Afternoon Break - Sponsored by Harper, Rains, Knight & Company
1:45 PM	2:45 PM	DSH Audits - Two Perspectives <i>Collier Graham- Wise Carter</i> <i>Richard Roberson - Mississippi Hospital Association</i>
2:45 PM	4:15 PM	Panel: Compliance - What Are Your Compliance Hot Topics and How Are You Proactively Preparing for Them? <i>Moderator: Jim Blackwood - Tallahatchie General Hospital</i> <i>Darryl Gilmore - St. Dominic-Jackson Memorial Hospital</i> <i>Lee McCall - Neshoba County Hospital & Nursing Home</i> <i>Larry Knight - Coastal Family Health Center</i> <i>Robert Volentine - Merit Health-Wesley</i>



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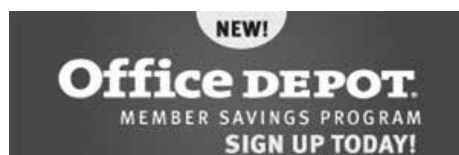
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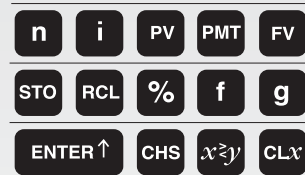
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