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Newly elected officers for the 2016-2017 MSCPA fiscal year are Charles Prince, Chairman; Bill Taylor, Vice Chairman/Chairman-Elect; Billy Morehead, Treasurer; and Vera Reed, Secretary. Jan Lewis was elected to a three-year term as an at-large member of the Board of Governors. Officers were elected June 25 during the Annual Business Meeting at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort.

Dues Increase Announcement

After researching dues structures of other comparable Societies, the MSCPA Board of Governors voted in May to increase dues amounts for the first time in 10 years. Even with this increase, our dues are still lower than most states. The new dues structure is effective for MSCPA membership year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 and is reflected on the dues statements that were mailed the week of July 11.

Dues for the year as follows:

- (1) A member who has held a certificate for 3 years or more
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Welcome New Members

New members include Kirk Gibson Anthony, William C. Carroll, Jr. Eric Casperson, Steven Wayne Hinson, Jr., Nathan Scott Rowell, James Robert Slater, Tommy Story, Brittney Marie Williams, and Patricia L. Lindsey.

Now completing the membership process are:

Christopher Griffith was born in Memphis, Tennessee and received a Bachelor of Accountancy and a Master of Professional Accounting from Mississippi State University. He is a CPA with Williams, Pitts & Beard in Hernando.

David William Overby was born in Jackson and received a Bachelor of Accountancy from the University of Mississippi and a Master of Business Administration from Mississippi State University. He is a Finance Manager with the City of Canton.

Gregory Paul Tapis was born in Taunton, Massachusetts and received a B.S. in Accounting from the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth and a Ph.D. in Business Administration from Mississippi State University. He is an Assistant Professor at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois.

Marian Rebecca Tillman was born in Azores, Portugal and received a Bachelor of Accountancy and a Master of Accountancy from the University of Mississippi. She is a Senior Audit Associate with KPMG in Jackson.

DUES INCREASE

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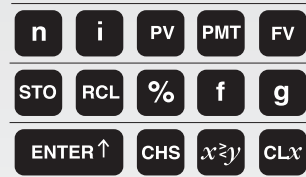
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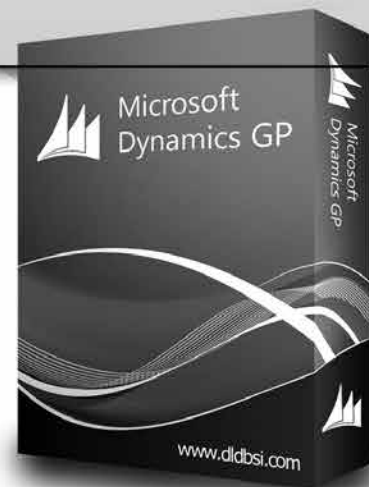
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Past Presidents Attend 2016 MSCPA Convention



Standing from left are Past Presidents Roy Ward (1999-2000), Jimmy Davis (1983-1984), Sim Mosby (2010-2011), Billy Gillon (2002-2003), Clyde Herring (2004-2005), Bob Cunningham (2009-2010), Vance Randall (2006-2007), Jimmy Burkes (1992-1993), David Miller (2003-2004), Linda Keng (2007-2008), Paul Calhoun (2005-2006), Gary Walker (1995-1996), and Tony Chance (2001-2002). Seated from left are Jan Lewis (2008-2009), Dora Herring (1990-1991), Ed Jones (1997-1998), Hugh Parker (1996-1997), MSCPA President and CEO Karen Moody (2014-2015), Lee Adams (2012-2013), Beth Burgess (2013-2014), and Stacy Thomas (2011-2012).

Twenty-one MSCPA Past Presidents gathered for the traditional Saturday morning breakfast during the Annual Convention June 23-26 at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort. The event marked the 96th anniversary of the Society and the 31st consecutive convention at Sandestin. For more convention photos, see pages 8-9. Thanks to Annette Pridgen for the outstanding convention photography.



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HADDOX REID EUBANK BETTS PLLC ANNOUNCES PROMOTIONS

Haddox Reid Eubank Betts PLLC announces the following promotions:

ALEX BOYD, CPA, has been promoted to Manager. He graduated

from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Accountancy and Master of Taxation. He works in the Firm's Tax Division with experience in taxation for estates, trusts, business entities and non-profits, as well as tax planning and compliance for individuals.

KEVIN JACKSON, CPA, has been promoted to Manager. He graduated from Mississippi State University with a Master of Professional Accountancy and Bachelor of Accountancy. As an auditor, he specializes in non-profits, oil and gas, investments, and real estate.

NICKIE JONES, CPA, has been promoted to Manager. She holds a Bachelor of Accountancy and Master of Taxation from Mississippi State University. She works in the Firm's Tax Division with experience in income tax planning and compliance for business, individuals, trusts and estates.

ZACH RING, CPA, has been promoted to Manager. He graduated from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Accountancy and Master of Professional Accountancy. He works in the Firm's Audit Division. As an auditor, he specializes in non-profits, oil and gas, insurance, and real estate.

JORDAN KING, CPA, has been promoted to Senior Accountant. He holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from Mississippi State University and Master of Business Administration from Mississippi College. He works in the Firm's Audit Division.

COLTON WAGES, CPA, has been promoted to Senior Accountant. He graduated from Mississippi State University with a Master of Professional Accountancy. He works in the Firm's Audit Division.

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2016 MSCPA Convention

Members traveled to Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort in Destin, Florida June 23-26 for the 2016 Annual Convention and Business Meeting. This year's convention welcomed members including 35 first time attendees, spouses, children and guests, plus event sponsors and exhibitors. The convention returns to Sandestin next year June 22-25, 2017. Additional convention photos have been posted to GooglePhotos and the link can be found on the homepage of the Society's website (www.ms-cpa.org).





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Young CPA Board Meeting

The Young CPA Network outgoing and incoming Board will meet Thursday, August 4th at 11:30 at the MSCPA Training Center to discuss key topics for 2016-2017 and to elect a Vice President and Secretary for the upcoming year.

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Shannon Adams Chosen for Alabama Leadership Academy

Shannon Adams has been selected to attend the Alabama Leadership Academy. Shannon currently works as an Audit Manager for Matthews, Cutrer and Lindsay, P.A. in Ridgeland.

Offered through the Alabama Society of CPAs, the Academy includes:

- Four quarterly 8 hour in-person sessions beginning in May 2016 and concluding in May 2017. The other two classes are in late September and mid-January.
- Coaching calls, individual and firm projects between in-person sessions.
- Webinars and reading assignments between in-person sessions.
- Graduation and special recognition awards at the final session.

Shannon has been in public accounting since January 2007. In that time, she has developed an expertise in the areas of auditing and small business consulting. She received her Bachelor of Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting from Delta State University. She is a licensed CPA in the State of Mississippi.

She has extensive experience in working with non-profit organizations. She has au-

ditioned a number of non-profit organizations, including foundations, health and welfare organizations, trade associations, religious organizations, Rural Development and HUD family housing projects. In addition, she has worked heavily in the area of taxation for non-profit organizations. She is the co-coordinator of the MC&Ls Transition to the New IRS Form 990 which includes preparation of the new IRS Form 990 and training of the firms staff. She has also participated with other firm members in several presentations to non-profit organizations regarding the new IRS Form 990.

Shannon is a native of Clarksdale, MS. She and her husband Daniel have two daughters, Addyson and Camille.



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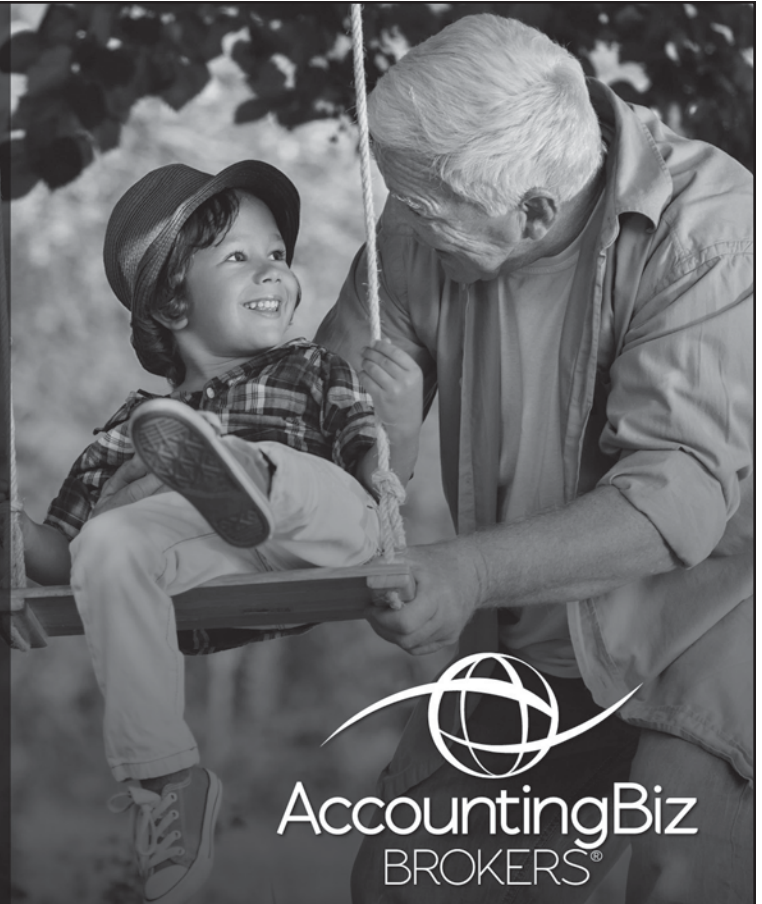
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- How to be a Fraud-Fighting Superhero
- GASB Update & GAO Green Book Update
- GAO Fraud Risks in Federal Programs & OMB Super Circular (2 CFR 200)
- Unified Circular
- Legal Update and County/Muni/School Update
- Auditing Update

See www.ms-cpa.org for complete agenda

FEATURED SPEAKERS



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8/18-19/2016

Thursday - Friday
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Discussion Leader: Panel

Cost: Members: \$280 **Non-Members:** \$380 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

Level: CPE Credit: 16 **VENDOR:** SELF **ACRONYM:** GAAC

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

8/25/2016

Thursday
Ridgeland
Embassy

Banking and Finance Conference

Discussion Leader: Panel

Cost: Members: \$200 **Non-Members:** \$275 **AICPA Member Discount:** \$0

Course Hours: 8:30-4:30

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

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

9/20/2016

Tuesday
Ridgeland
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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
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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

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9/27/2016

Tuesday
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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
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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.

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