

Payroll News

IRS Updates

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The IRS has released draft versions of the 2017 Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, and Schedule B (Form 941), Report of Tax Liability for Semiweekly Schedule Depositors, which have been updated to allow eligible employers to claim the research tax credit against their employment tax liability.

Read more about it [here](#).

The IRS has issued proposed regulations to help taxpayers determine



when amounts deferred under §457 plans are includible in income, including more liberal rules for determining when teachers who are paid over 9 or 10 months for a 12-month period spanning two calendar years are receiving deferred compensation.

Read more about it [here](#).



The IRS has issued proposed regulations relating to information reporting of minimum essential coverage under Code Sec. 6055

Upcoming Events:

- Monthly Meeting – 9/8 at 7:30AM
- Local Income Tax Compliance – 9/14
- Statewide Conference – 10/28
- Preparing for Year End and 2017–10/31
- Government Public Sector Preparing for Year End and 2017–11/1

My Social Security

Did you know my Social Security customers will now have an extra layer of security?

My Social Security account holders must now use their cell phone — in addition to their username and password — as another authentication factor during

online registration and every sign in.

This feature was optional before, but will now be required for everyone.



Volunteer Spotlight

By Stacey Seminara



Save the Date . . .



Do you have a tip, idea or article you would like to share in the newsletter? If so, email president@apaatlantachapter.com



Georgia Public Broadcasting (GPB) is another local group our chapter supports on a regular basis. When I first heard that we were going to volunteer with GPB the only thoughts that came into my head were those of Sesame Street and Mr. Rogers Neighborhood. Ok, So I may be dating myself here but I have come to find the GPB is so much more than that.

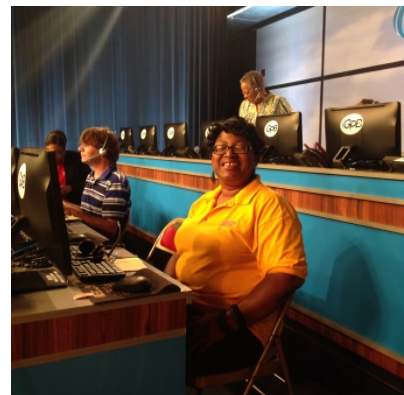


Their mission is to create, produce and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform and entertain our audiences and enrich the quality of their lives.



And that they do.

The GPB family consists of Television, Radio, and Education. They also have special free events open to the public throughout the year. With all they have to offer the community when they ask for our help to raise funds to keep these things going we should be all over it. So next time you see an mail about signing up to help with a radio or TV pledge drive please do so. Not only is it fun to participate (and they feed you well) it is a great way to give back to this very important part of our community. I hope to see you at the next pledge drive.





Equipping Our Youth for the Marketplace

By Randy Haviland

What if you were offered a chance to learn more about your net pay to include information on how to improve your money management and how to better save for the future...would you do it? What if our kids were provided with the same opportunity? I think I would not only drive them to that seminar, I would make sure they had seats on the front row!

This is exactly what the American Payroll Association has been doing all over the country for years and you could be involved in a very real and tangible way. Our Chapter has committed to make volunteers available for not only National Payroll Week but also during the entire 2016/17 school year to conduct one hour lessons on these and other important personal financial planning tools and tips. Would you consider joining us in this important campaign?

If so, please tap into recent Chapter Business Agenda items conducted recently at our August meeting and

sent via email recently. There is more information and a pathway on how you can get involved found on our website as well as

<http://www.nationaleducationday.com>

where you can easily join our growing team. Or if you want the personal touch, contact our Money Matters National Education Day Coordinator Randy Haviland. He can be reached on his cell at 770-296-8129 or randy.haviland@gmail.com.



Volunteering

Our Chapter has several committees for members to be a part of. This is a wonderful opportunity to volunteer your time and skills to benefit the Chapter. The committees are made up of a Committee Chairperson that is determined by the President and the Board of Directors (must be a National APA member) and Committee Members. The Committee Members are volunteers who are active members in good

standing with the Atlanta Chapter of the APA and must attend 50% of the monthly chapter meetings.

Take a moment to review the committees and their functions on our [website](#). You may find a great fit for your skills and we can always use the extra hands!

Also, keep an eye on your emails and our social networks for volunteer activities for yourself and often the family as well.

Remember that you can also volunteer for any of the various committees that National APA has as well. There is a great [webpage](#) that describes the different committees as well as the [volunteer sign up form](#) that you should take a few moments to review.



National Payroll Week – September 5th – 9th

Government Outreach

Proclamation season is now in full swing and now is your chance to shine. All over the area we will be in cities receiving proclamations of National Payroll Week and our chapter could use your help. All you need is your smile and white NPW shirt (or any white shirt if you do not have the NPW one). We stand up front and listen to the mayors read about all the money spent on payroll and the myriad tax laws – it's fun, sometimes really funny!



Pictures are taken and it's done in about 15 minutes. From there you can choose to remain for the rest of the meeting or slip out, which most of us do.

Watch your email, Facebook and the website as locations are being added daily!

Can you help with one of these already scheduled?:

- Douglasville – 9/1 at 6 PM
- Peachtree City – 9/1 at 7 PM
- Alpharetta – 9/6 at 7:30 PM
- Decatur – 9/6 at 7:30 PM
- Doraville – 9/6 at 6:30 PM
- Hiram – 9/6 at 6:30 PM
- Duluth – 9/12 at 7 PM
- McDonough - 9/19 at 6 PM

Don't forget to take the [Getting Paid In America Survey](#) for a chance to win a trip to Vegas!



Meeting Speakers and Sponsorship



Do you have a vendor or contact that would be willing to speak at one of our meetings? Please speak with [CJ Easterling](#) to coordinate this.

We welcome sponsorship from businesses.

For \$200 sponsors will receive a 1 person membership, logo on website for the year, speak at a meeting about their company and have materials available at hostess table at monthly meetings.

You must register for meetings on the website so we can have an accurate count of attendees.

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Meetings held the second
Thursday of the month at
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See us at:

<http://apaatlantachapter.com/index.php>

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About Our Organization



We are a nonprofit organization centered on providing continuing education to payroll, accounting and human resource professionals. Along with education, we offer community service opportunities for all members.

We are an autonomous and independent Chapter of the American Payroll Association.