

Payroll News

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Upcoming Events:

- Montly Meeting - 3/9 at 7:30 AM
- APA Capital Summit - Omni Shoreham Hotel Washington, DC March 27-28, 2017
- Monthly Meeting - 4/13 at 5:30PM
- 35 Annual Congress - Orlando World Center Marriott Hotel Orlando, FL May 16-20

IRS Updates

The Dirty Dozen

Each year the IRS features a last they call the "Dirty Dozen" tax scams. Usually these are frauds and scams taxpayers attempt to evade their tax liability, but this year there are also scams directed at the taxpayer. Taxpayers are encouraged to review the list in a [special section](#) on IRS.gov and be on the lookout for these con games.

Phishing: Taxpayers need to be on guard against fake emails or websites looking to steal personal information. The IRS will never initiate contact with taxpayers via email about a bill or refund. Don't click on one claiming to be from the IRS. ([IR-2017-15](#))



Phone Scams: Phone calls from criminals impersonating IRS agents remain an ongoing threat to taxpayers. The IRS has seen a surge of these phone scams in recent years as con artists threaten taxpayers with police arrest, deportation and license revocation, among other things. ([IR-2017-19](#))

Identity Theft: The IRS continues to aggressively pursue the criminals that file fraudulent returns using someone else's Social Security number. ([IR-2017-22](#))

ACA Forms Due in March

The IRS has published a [chart](#) on ACA Form deadlines to assist you with understanding the new deadlines due to the recent extensions.

Like last year, individuals will be able to file their federal income tax return if they haven't received their Form 1095 by the time they are ready to file.



Member Profiles

Memberships expire at the end of February! If you have not renewed your membership, now is the time! And while you are there, please take a moment to update your member profile to include a photo of yourself, ensure your contact information is up to date along with a brief bio so we can get to know each other.

We would like to use the info to start a member spotlight section in the newsletter.



Chapter Members Rockin' for Congress



A number of us from the Atlanta Chapter will be attending Congress.

Be sure to respond to the survey regarding attendance so we can all share in the fun together.

And you will want to order a Chapter shirt to wear at the Chapter Exchange.

Do you have a tip or article you would like to share in the newsletter? If so, email

president@apaatlantachapter.com

APA's **35th Annual Congress** is less than 75 days away, and the excitement is building. This year Congress will be held at the Orlando World Center Marriott in Orlando, FL, **May 16-20, 2017**. In addition to bringing you the finest **workshops, networking opportunities, and recertification credits**, this year two of our chapter members are doing their best to make this event really rock.



Maybe you have recognized them as you followed the Battle of the Payroll Bands competitions.



And, well, maybe you didn't.

Just as Levi served as tribute for the Hunger Games and Priti lead us on the Journey of the Traveling Emojis, Ms. CJ Easterling with The Iconics and John Hunt with De Minimis Dragon are locked in the Battle of the Payroll Bands against The PayManiacs, Hypo, and MoneyPool. Vote for them in their 4th challenge on Facebook next month. The finale will be onstage live in Orlando!



At Congress you are able to choose from more than 200 workshops over 4-1/2 days and earn 26.5 RCHs, 2.65 CEUs, 26.5 CPE credits, and HRCI credits under General HR! Congress offers a wide variety of educational workshops; the world's largest payroll, accounts payable, and finance Expo with over 100 exhibitors; and countless networking and motivational opportunities and one rockin party!

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! It is a great way to get to know your fellow members better too.

Keep an eye on your emails and our social networks for volunteer

activities for yourself and often the family as well.

A few organizations we support are:



2017 Officer Nominations



We are accepting nominations for President Elect and one Board Member through the March meeting. We will then vote electronically and the new officers will be announced at the April

meeting. Please be sure to speak with your nominee before submitting their name as a nomination. The nominations should be submitted to our [President, Ansleigh Smith, CPP](#).

Will YOU Help Us?

We are currently in the planning stages preparing for our **Study Group!**

We would like our members to volunteer to teach a class at any session. Review the Payroll Source, determine what you would like to teach and then reach out to [CJ Easterling](#).



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 partnership from businesses and higher education institutions.

If interested in being a partner, please review our [partnership opportunities](#) page.

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
Crowne Plaza Ravinia
Hotel

4355 Ashford Dunwoody
Road, Atlanta, GA 30346

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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.