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LOCAL AAPA Chapters Work Together

Since 2009, the Washington metropolitan area; chapter of the AAPA and the Chicago AAPA have been working in our local communities. In 2010 Alaska joined the ranks.

In September 2011, all three chapters decided to come together to help grow the AAPA at both a national and a local level. The current active board members felt that if we worked together, we could achieve more.

In September, we held our first two combined chapter Webinar. This 2 part series focused on Sales and Use Tax. Part one focused on the basics that every Accounts Payable professional should know. The second part focused on Illinois, Maryland, Virginia and Washington DC.

Our first introductory news letter went out in September. This newsletter announced that we were joining our efforts and advertised the first combined Webinar series.

This combined newsletter will have articles that are relevant to Accounts Payable. It will also have a section for each local chapter to share local news about their chapter or happenings in their area.

As new as the AAPA is, so are our local efforts. We hope that these combined efforts help grow both the AAPA and its local chapters



WMAC-AAPA

The Washington Metropolitan Area Chapter of the American Accounts Payable Association (WMAC-AAPA) was affiliated on May 14, 2009 with the American Accounts Payable Association (AAPA).

Our group has informative webinars and socials that help keep the Accounts Payable professional abreast of the ever changing world of Accounts Payable.

The webinars provide education programs for our members. Our socials provide an excellent opportunity for our members to network with each other.

For more information on the WMAC-AAPA visit our website at www.wmac-aapa.org

CHICAGO-AAPA

The Chicago Chapter American Accounts Payable Association (CAAPA) affiliated on June 15th 2009 with the National AAPA.

We offer educational classes, volunteer opportunities, networking and leadership roles within our community. The Chicago AAPA was the 2nd affiliated Chapter of the AAPA and the first Chapter in the nation to hold an educational meeting. That first meeting was held on November 11, 2009.

At CAAPA will strive to provide accounting professionals with the most up to date and relevant information and knowledge regarding the ever changing rules and regulations of our profession and the most opportunities to network and find friends and support throughout our membership.

Watch for upcoming seminars and webinars.

Contact the Chicago Chapter at:
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~HAPPY HOLIDAYS~

Government News

2011 FORM 1099-MISC AVAILABLE

The IRS has released Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, for 2011. The form is virtually unchanged from 2010. Download the 2011 [Form](#) and [Instructions](#).

IRS Announces Mid-Year Mileage Rate Increase

The IRS has announced an increase in the optional standard mileage rates for the final six months of 2011 [IR-2011-69, 6-23-11; www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=240903,00.html]

Citing "recent gasoline price increases," the IRS has increased the standard business mileage rate from 51 cents to 55.5 cents a mile for all business miles driven from July 1 through December 31, 2011. The rate for deductible medical or moving expenses is increased from 19 cents to 23.5 cents a mile. Note: The rate for providing services for charitable organizations is set by statute, not the IRS, and remains at 14 cents a mile.

The mileage rate may be used to compute the deductible cost of operating a passenger car (also vans, pickups, or panel trucks) for business purposes. It may also be used by employers to reimburse employees for business use of their personal vehicles and to determine the amount that needs to be imputed to an employee's income for personal use of certain company-owned or leased non-luxury vehicles

Mileage Rate Changes

Purpose	Rates 1/1 through 6/30/11	Rates 7/1 through 12/31/11
Business	51	55.5
Medical/Moving	19	23.5
Charitable	14	14

This is to be used as a reminder that there are 2 rates in 2011.

NLC-AAPA

Since November 2010, the Northern Lights Chapter of the AAPA has been meeting quarterly in the conference room at Northrim Bank at 3111 C Street, Anchorage. Our first meeting had a great turn out and included a presentation from Kari Gilje from the IRS. We have held three quarterly meetings since then on the following topics: Accounts Payable Fraud Prevention and Internal Controls, 1099 Changes, and End of Year Checklists for AP Professionals. On Friday, September 16th at noon, we met on the topic of "Maintaining your Master Vendor File".

If you are interested in membership or would just like more information please contact the board members below and we will be glad to answer your questions or send you information about our next meeting. Be sure to bring your lunch and we'll have a great time together learning and combining our ideas. If we have a clear day, you should be able to see Mount McKinley!

This year on October 28th at the Alaska Statewide Payroll conference, we had a booth and presented a class on Preparing for Year End for the Accounts Payable Professional. This conference is always a learning experience and a great place to meet others who share the same concerns and challenges. For more information on the Alaska Chapter:

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