



Chapter News and Events



September 2009

North Atlanta Chapter

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President's Message

We are enjoying increased attendance at our monthly meetings this year. For the first three months of this fiscal year, we are averaging eleven more people per meeting than last year. At the August meeting our own Alan Grothe presented an update on Compilations and Reviews. After dinner Claire Kurtz, a professional organizer, offered us numerous organization and time saving techniques. Thanks to Cathy Bowie for arranging for Claire to speak to us.

As first noted in July's Newsletter; our line-up of upcoming events at the bottom of this newsletter includes our annual A&A Forum worth 8 hours of A&A on Saturday, October 10, 2009, at Kennesaw State University. The price for GSCPA members is \$130 and for non-GSCPA members is \$150. The price covers the all day session which will include a continental breakfast, breaks and lunch. The proceeds raised from this event will be donated to the Accounting Department at Kennesaw State University. Please hold the date and let your colleagues know. A flyer containing a detailed Agenda and registration form is now available on our [chapter web site](#).

Your Board of Directors has decided to extend the sign up period each month by one day to still qualify for the \$5 discount. Beginning in September you have until the Tuesday before the meeting at 6 p.m. to register for the meeting for only \$20. We are going to be more stringent in collecting the extra \$5 for registrations after that time. Non-chapter members will pay \$35 in the future rather than \$30.

Please join us for our September meeting. We will have two speakers who will share their perspectives on the Banking industry with us.

The first topic is: "Banking-Regulatory Perspective in the Current Environment".

Our speaker before dinner is George A. Reynolds is Senior Deputy Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Banking & Finance (DBF). George joined the DBF in 1979 as an Assistant Financial Examiner in the Northeast District and has previously served as Assistant Deputy Commissioner, District Director of the Albany & Valdosta Field offices and Deputy Commissioner for Supervision. He was promoted to Senior Deputy Commissioner in July of 2003. George received a BBA degree from Emory University, a Masters of Accountancy degree from Georgia State University and is a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

He is a Certified Public Accountant and member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a Certified Financial Examiner, a Certified Examinations Manager (CSBS) and a Certified State Credit Union Examination Supervisor (NASCUS). He has served on the Board of Governors and Executive Committee of the Society of Financial Examiners, has served on several committees for the Conference of State Bank Supervisors and is a member of the Board of Trustees for the Education Foundation for State Bank Supervisors (EFSBS).

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He previously served as the Chairman of the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee and the Audit Committee of the National Association of State Credit Union Supervisors (NASCUS) and has been involved in the accreditation of State Agencies for NASCUS. He was elected to the Board of Directors of NASCUS on August 11, 2006 and was elected to a two-year term as Chairman of the Board of NASCUS on August 8, 2007. He also serves as the Chairman of the State Financial Regulators Roundtable (SFRR) and serves on the Reports task force of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC). He has also served as a NASCUS representative on the Financial and Banking Information Infrastructure Committee (FBIIC).

The second topic is: "Banking-Industry Perspective in the Current Environment".

Our speaker after dinner, Todd Makant is Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Vinings Bank in Smyrna, Georgia. He has over twenty years experience in banking operations, technology, and financial administration, in both regional and community banks. He worked as an information technology consultant and as a bankruptcy and restructuring consultant for five years at Arthur Young and its successor, Ernst & Young. He holds a B.A. degree with Honors from the University of Tennessee, and has been a CPA in the State of Georgia since 1987.

Our line-up of upcoming events is at the end of this message.

Ron Wrenn,
Chapter President

Chapter Meeting Information

When: September 17, 2009

Where: Doubletree Hotel NW Atlanta off Windy Hill Road. From I-75 in Cobb Co. go west on Windy Hill Road (exit #260). Hotel driveway will be on your right located between Popeye's Chicken and Wachovia Bank. Phone: 770-272-9441.

Time: 5:30 p.m. registration, 6:00 p.m. First Speaker, 7:30 p.m. Second Speaker

Cost: Students \$15, \$25 for chapter members, with a ***\$5 member discount available if registered by Tuesday, September 15th by 6 p.m.*** \$35 for nonmembers.

Register: Send [email](#) or visit the [chapter's web page](#). Remember to include (1) your name, (2) GSCPA member number and (3) contact phone number.

Dinner Buffet

Broccoli Salad with Walnuts and Dried Cranberries
Cous Cous Salad with Feta and Pine Nuts
Au Poivre Style Top Sirloin of Beef
Brown Butter Seared Chicken Breast with Tarragon Jus
Italian Style Zucchini and Squash
Potato Au Gratin
Rolls and Butter
Chef's Dessert and Assorted Doubletree Cookies
Coffee and Tea

Speaker Before Dinner (1 hr CPE):

"Banking-Regulatory Perspective in the current environment" presented by George Reynolds, commissioner, The State of Georgia Dept of Banking/Finance

Speaker After Dinner (1 hr CPE):

"Banking-Industry Perspective in the current environment" presented by Todd

Meeting Schedule

North Atlanta Chapter - In it's 31st Year Upcoming Events

Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 - Doubletree Hotel
Banking – Regulatory & Industry Perspective - 2 hours CPE

Saturday, October 10, 2009 - Kennesaw State University
Annual North Atlanta Chapter A&A Seminar - 8 hrs A&A CPE

Thursday, October 15, 2009 - Doubletree Hotel
Nonprofit Night - 1 hour A&A, 1 hour CPE

Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009 - Doubletree Hotel
EXCEL/WORD Update - 2 hours A&A

Thursday, Dec. 17, 2009 - Doubletree Hotel
Personal Development Night - 2 hours CPE

Thursday, Jan 21, 2010 - Doubletree Hotel
Business Appreciation Night - Forensic Accounting & Fraud Investigation - 2 hours
A&A

Thursday, Feb 18, 2010 - Doubletree Hotel
TBA

Thursday, March 18, 2010 - Doubletree Hotel
TBA

Thursday, April 22, 2010 - Doubletree Hotel
TBA

Thursday, May 20, 2010 - Doubletree Hotel
TBA

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