



Chapter News and Events



May 2009

North Perimeter Chapter

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President's Message

I hope everyone survived this past filing season, as did all of your clients. This wasn't the best filing season we've had, but it certainly wasn't the worst. And now that it's behind us, let's look forward to a peaceful summer, vacation and planning for next year. With that in mind, our May speaker is Tony Brizzolara of Louis Kravitz & Associates who will be speaking to us about Pension Plans and the Use of Cash Balance Plans. I'm anxious to see how this economy will affect the use of and funding of pension plans.

At the June meeting, we will be presenting our scholarships. Instead of the usual speaker setup, we will have a panel discussion discussing the various different arenas that CPAs are needed in today's business. The panel will include CPAs in government, industry, and public accounting, as well as a recruiter, all of whom will be giving us the benefit of their experiences. Also at the June meeting, we will be installing our officers and new board members for the upcoming year.

We are in the process of setting up the speaker calendar for the rest of the year. If you have an interest in a particular topic or speaker, or would like to be a speaker, please contact either Jennifer Birtz or myself. We will try to concentrate on A&A topics the rest of the year, since this is a reporting year.

Congratulations to Ellen Sweatt on winning last month's drawing.

Larry Cohen

Save the Date for Annual Convention

Catch the wave to success at the 2009 Annual Convention at the Ritz-Carlton in Amelia Island, Florida on June 28th – July 1st. Please join the Society for exciting CPE opportunities and fun in the sun with your fellow members at this wonderful resort. On Tuesday, June 30 Barry Melancon will be the keynote speaker. He will cover issues facing the profession. Please check the [web site](#) for up-to-date information.

Meeting Information and Schedule

The cost is \$30 for current members of North Perimeter Chapter and \$35 for nonmembers. Payment is at the door by cash or check. The time of the meeting is 5 p.m. for registration. Student members of our chapter may attend free as guests (with proper RSVP) of the chapter.

Reservations can be made by [email](#) or on the [North Perimeter Chapter web site](#).

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Plaza Ravinia) on Ravinia North into the Ravinia Complex. Take the first immediate right and proceed down the hill. Go past One Ravinia Building and turn left between Buildings One and Two. Turn into the parking garage on the right. There is no charge for parking.

Meeting Schedule

May 19, 2009 – “Pension Plans and the Use of Cash Balance Plans” Presented By Tony Brizzolara of Louis Kravitz & Associates.

June 16, 2009 – Panel Discussion - Moderator – Dan Giannini, CPA

Panel members:

Howard Mosby, CPA, VP Medical Affairs – Grady Health System; he is also a member of the state legislature

David Flax, CPA, President – Morgan Ross Group (recruiter)

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