



# Chapter News and Events



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Southeast Georgia Chapter

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## President's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Perry Rountree and Vivian Myers for their dedicated service to our chapter last year. I would also like to thank the members for giving me the opportunity to serve as your president this year. The new officers are working hard to plan interesting and informative meetings. I have included a short bio of each officer in this newsletter. We look forward to the coming year and with your support it will be successful.

Abbie Gail Parham

## Chapter Meeting Information

We will not have a meeting in July, but I wanted to give you advance notice of our first two meetings, so that you plan in advance. Mr. Robert Prator, chairman of the Georgia Society of CPAs, will visit our chapter on August 18. He will give us an update Society activities and his agenda for the year. Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Lowell Mooney we are fortunate to have Ernie Almonte, chair of the AICPA, present our program on September 16.

We hope that everyone will plan now for these two exciting events. Watch the newsletter for more details.

## Meeting Schedule

**August 18, 2009** - Mr. Robert Prator, Chairman, GSCPAs

**September 16, 2009** - Mr. Ernie Almonte, Chair, AICPA

## Chapter News

The Georgia Society of CPAs 2009 Annual Convention was held June 28-July 1 at Amelia Island. I was pleased to represent the chapter at this meeting, but I was not alone. Other members of our chapter in attendance included Dr. Lowell Mooney, Paula Mooney, Julian Deal and Francis Deal. As you probably know, Julian and Paula are past presidents of the Society.

## Chapter Officers

**President:** [Abbie Gail Parham](#), CPA,CMA, CFM  
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She is a graduate of Georgia Southern University with a BBA in Accounting (1984) and an MBA (1988). While at Georgia Southern, she was a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, Beta Alpha Psi and Phi Kappa Phi. Mrs. Parham received her CPA license from

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August 26-27, 2009  
Georgia International  
Convention Center  
College Park, GA

the state of Georgia in 1985, her CMA certification from the Institute of Management Accountants in 1996, and her CFM certification from the Institute of Management Accountants in 2001. Prior to becoming a member of the accounting faculty at Georgia Southern in 1990, she was employed as a staff accountant at a local CPA firm and as a Controller of a large manufacturing company in her home town. She currently serves as secretary/treasurer of the Georgia Southern Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi and president of the Southeast Georgia Chapter of the Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants. Mrs. Parham is a member of the Board of Directors of the Savannah Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants and has served as an officer of the organization at the local, state, and national level. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants, American Accounting Association, and the Georgia Association of Accounting Educators. She is an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Swainsboro where she serves on the Church Council and the Scholarship Committee.

**Vice President:** [Vivian S. Myers](#), CPA  
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She is a 1991 graduate of Georgia Southern University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting. While at Georgia Southern, she was a member of the Beta Alpha Psi accounting honor society.

Vivian joined Dabbs, Hickman, Hill & Cannon in 1995 and is a manager. She is experienced in small business accounting and income taxation of individuals, corporations, and partnerships.

Vivian was a member of the 2004 Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants Leadership Academy, and was a member of the 2007 Leadership Bulloch class. She also serves as the secretary/treasurer for the Joseph's Home for Boys and as secretary/treasurer for the Southeast Chapter of the Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants. Vivian is also actively involved in many civic and community organizations, including the Professional Women of Statesboro.

Vivian is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants.

**Secretary/Treasurer:** [Sadonna Burkett](#), CPA  
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She received her BS in accounting from Brewton Parker College in 1997 and her CPA license in 2007. She has been with McLain, Calhoun, McCullough, Clark & Co., PC in Vidalia, GA since September 1997. From 1998 to 2007 she was manager of their write-up department. In 2007 she moved to the Tax & Audit Department. Sadonna has experience in IRS and state sales tax audits, preparation of business plans, corporate and personal income tax returns, tax planning and governmental auditing. Her area of expertise is managing. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Georgia Society of CPAs. She has been married for 26 years and has 4 children.

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