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PASH Newsletter

September 2016

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The Doubletree by Hilton is located at
 6 Greenway Plaza East, Houston, TX 77046

For a map, use the following link:
<http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-houston-greenway-plaza-HOUGWDT/index.html>

2016-2017 Meeting Dates

September 15, 2016
 October 20, 2016
 November 17, 2016
 December 8, 2016*
 January 19, 2017
 February 16, 2017
 March 16, 2017*
 April 20, 2017
 May 8, 2017 (Picnic)
 * - Luncheon

Committee Meetings
 2:00PM - COPAS Initiative CPE - Justins Concourse Level
 3:00PM - Audit Committee - Justins Concourse Level
 3:00PM - Revenue Committee - Camellia Room Concourse Level
 3:00PM - Joint Interest Committee - Azalea Room Concourse Level
 3:00PM - Small Companies Committee - TBD
 5:30PM - International Committee - Azalea Room Concourse Level

Technical Session
 4:30- 5:30 Justins Concourse Level

Social Hour
 5:30-6:00 Greenway Ballroom Entry - Concourse Level

Dinner Reservations

Please make dinner reservations prior to 5:00 PM on Friday, September 9th.

Picture Roster
 5:00-6:00 Camellia Room - Concourse Level

Dinner
 6:00- 8:00 - Greenway Ballroom - Concourse Level

Late reservations will be placed on the wait list for dinner.

To make a reservation,
please click on the
link: dinner@pashcopas.org
or call 713-526-6070.

September 15th Dinner Speaker

Speaker: Rich Welsh

Topic: Wings of Freedom

Rick started flying while in High School, and spent 8 years in the Air Force reaching the rank of Captain within 5 years in the F101B VOODOO, Supersonic Interceptor. Rick joined the Commemorative Air Force (CFA) in 1980 and has flown the museum's WWII Vultee T-13A Trainer plus owning a Mooney Super 21 aircraft. Rich has flown in several airshows including "Wings Over Houston". He has served on the airshow staff for over 29 years and currently serves on the Board of Directors. Rich has also put together a presentation on WWII Aviation History called " America Trains for War" this is presented to youth groups as well as Veterans Organizations. Rich is a Certified Financial Planner with offices in the Galleria Area. He works with individuals and corporations with their personal, financial and estate planning goals.

Technical Session

Speaker: Mr. Kyle Fisher, Executive Vice President, Financial Services for KE Andrews & Company

Topic: Basic Property Tax Principles

Founded in 1978, K.E. Andrews (KEA) is a comprehensive and highly specialized tax and valuation company serving a diverse, asset-driven clientele ranging from Fortune 500 companies to individuals seeking proven experience and superior results.

In an ever-changing real estate market, K.E. Andrews' (KEA's) appraisers keep current on all valuation trends, laws and valuation techniques. Their primary objective is to ensure that your property becomes competitive from a property tax perspective. Services include Valuation, Negotiations, Due Diligence, Budgeting, Counsel and Solutions, Compliance, Audit Assistance and Reverse Audit for Business Personal Property and Commercial Clients.

This presentation will be accredited for 1 hour of CPE for all Texas CPA's; no prerequisites are required.

We encourage you to bring a guest and introduce them to our activities. Guests are encouraged but are not required to be members of PASH in order to attend our committee meetings.

Parking Information

Parking is to be billed to PASH's master account and paid by PASH. Any member who drives an oversized vehicle or otherwise is unable to park in the underground parking will need to use the valet service at the hotel and pick up a validation sticker for their valet parking ticket.

Charlene Lutkenhaus (President)
Jill Coble (Vice President)
Billy Moye (Assistant Treasurer)
Mary Mosley (Secretary)
Suellen King (Treasurer)
Brandon Brown
Shari Sanderford
Amy Whitley
Ken Morris (Past President)
Jeff Wright (COPAS President)

PASH 2016 - 2017 Dues

As you know, PASH is rolling out a new website this year. Part of the upgrade to the website is an integrated member portal to handle invoicing and posting payments. Our web designer is hard at work making sure all is ready before we "plug in" the new website. To allow plenty of time for the web designer and the members to come to speed with the new system, the due date for membership invoices will be September 30th. We greatly appreciate your patience as we become acquainted with this new process.

Opportunity to Give Back - Star of Hope

Once again, PASH will partner with the Star of Hope in the upcoming year. Star of Hope has been in Houston since 1907 with a mission of providing a Christ-centered community dedicated to meeting the needs of homeless men, women and their children. Projects we will be working on during the year are: We Care Houston and Notes of Encouragement. In addition, December will include our annual Star of Hope toy drive.

For the month of September, we will work on Care Packages: To Be Distributed To People on the Street. Consider items such as small boxes of raisins, Band-Aids, sugarless gum, bottles of water, small tins of canned meat, packages of plastic forks or spoons, packages of paper napkins, cheese & cracker snacks, cookie snacks, etc. A collection box will be available during the dinner meeting to collect the Care Packages.

So come on PASH Members, let's show "WE CARE".

Seeking Volunteers

Are you looking for an opportunity to share your experience and become more involved in PASH? We have perfect opportunities for you! We are seeking to fill the following Chair, Vice Chair and Co-Chair positions:

Audit (Vice Chair) - Larea Arnett larea.b.arnett@exxonmobil.com

International (Vice Chair) - Karla Bower 832-486-2665

Picnic (Co-Chair) - Mark Robertson markrobertson9710@sbcglobal.net

Social Media (Chair & Co-Chair or Vice Chair) - Charlene Lutkenhaus clutkenhaus@altamesa.net

Web (Co-Chair or Vice Chair) - Julie Royce Jroyce@pdsenergy.com

COPAS Accounts Article Submissions

Howdy everyone. I am Margie Saibara, your COPAS Reporter for 2016-2017. The Board members and Committee chairs have heard me on several times this year to remind them of the deadlines for submitting articles for the COPAS ACCOUNTS publication. You do not need to be a member of the Board of Director or a Committee Chair to submit an article for ACCOUNTS.

Everyone in PASH has a story to tell and I would like to help you tell your story. One of the first things that I do when I receive my ACCOUNTS magazine is to turn to the articles from the various societies. The PASH article is usually one of the largest or the largest for this section of the magazine. I need your help to maintain this tradition and keep PASH as No.1.

The following are the deadlines for submitting your articles to me: Marjorie_Saibara@att.net

October 17, 2016

January 16, 2017

April 17, 2017

For those who are new or if anyone may have questions regarding what type of information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me. I would love to hear from you and hear your thoughts regarding your membership in PASH/COPAS.

As an added bonus to our budding Lois Lanes or Clark Kents, I do award prizes for articles. Check out the recent ACCOUNTS and read Jennifer Holt-McKellar's articles on the PASH Scholarship awards dinner and on PASH Education Day.

Thank you Jennifer and I look forward to hearing from everyone this year.

COPAS Spring 2017 National Meeting - Volunteers Needed

Join us for some fun. PASH is assisting PAS-ALT (Ark-La-Tx) with hosting the COPAS Spring National Meeting in Shreveport, LA in April 2017. A special thanks goes out to everyone who has worked very hard to get us this far.

Volunteers are needed today for the Fundraising Committee. Contact Suellen King at Suellen.King@cop.com if you have questions or to volunteer.

Education Committee Report

The Education committee will hold its first meeting at 4pm on Thursday, September 29, 2016 in the Greenspoint area at the White Oak Energy office. (see below for directions) The committee will focus on Education Day speakers and the Scholarship program. By attending at least 2 meetings and assisting at Education Day, you will be eligible to attend Education Day for free. With company cutbacks on conferences this would allow you to attend and also get up to 8 hours of CPE's for free. If you are new or haven't been involved in the last year or so with the Education Committee, please email Jennifer (pashjennifer@yahoo.com) to make sure you are added to the email distribution list to get the latest updates about the meetings.

Ethics course - We are happy to offer an ethics course in the fall this year. It will be held on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at the Oxy offices Greenway Plaza, Houston. This has been a popular course and qualifies for your TSBCPA four hour ethics requirement. Look for an email from our new website for registration information. We also plan to place a registration link on the Education Committee page of the PASH website. We are planning to offer the course in the spring also, but the date has not been set yet.

Scholarships - The committee is always proud to give back to the local schools and their brightest oil and gas accounting students in the form of scholarships, sponsorships and grants. We also want to remind PASH members of the opportunity for you to nominate an intern who is currently working at your company to also receive a scholarship. You can find more information on the intern scholarships on the Education Committee webpage. Please take the time to nominate eligible interns. If you have any questions, please contact Mona Hilliard (MHilliard@linnenergy.com)

Education - Education Day is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2017. It will be held at the Marriott Houston Westchase location (same as last year). Look for registration to be available in late March or early April. If there is a speaker you heard at a conference you attended and think others would enjoy the topic, please send the topic and the speaker contact information to Jennifer (pashjennifer@yahoo.com). Jennifer will review the topic/speaker with the committee and contact them if a slot is available. Committee Chairs are asked to submit at least 2 speakers/topics for the Education Committee to review.

The White Oak Energy address is 16945 Northchase Drive, Ste 1700, Houston, TX 77060. It is in the Hilton Hotel building behind Greenspoint mall. You can park in the hotel parking lot (off of Greens Road) or in the Parking Garage (off of Northchase - it is the 3rd turn in on the right after the fountain). It says "Visitor" parking. If you come in from the hotel parking lot, you will turn left toward those elevators. If you come in from the parking garage, you will turn right toward the elevators. (17th Floor) Contact Jennifer if you need more information.

Financial Reporting / Tax Committee Report

WELCOME BACK Financial Reporting/Tax Members!!

I hope everyone had a good summer. I would also like to extend warm welcomes to new members who have decided to join the Financial Reporting/Tax Committee this year. This is going to be an exciting 2016-2017 year. Also, if you know of any friends or co-workers who are new to the industry or would be interested in joining PASH please invite them to our PASH activities. We always welcome guests! Guests are encouraged but are not required to be members of PASH in order to attend our committee meetings.

The Committee will start off the year by holding its first monthly planning meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 3:00pm at the Double Tree Hotel - U.S. Highway 59 & Edloe. Meeting room TBA. I will send out a separate e-mail prior to our meeting so we know where to meet. I believe this would be a great way give our committee members a chance to meet each other as well as having an open discussion on what the group wants to do this year, topics they would like to hear, and things that I can do to help improve your PASH experience.

So come join us, meet your peers and lets network! I am looking forward to meeting everyone this year! See you there!

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at tran@altamesa.net

International Committee Report

The International Committee is making plans for the upcoming year. Please drop by the Azalea Room after the tech session on Sept. 15, to say hello and provide feedback that will help us get started. In the meantime, be thinking about topics you would like the committee to cover. If you have any questions or are unable to attend, you may contact karla.j.bower@cop.com.

The AIPN-YN Breakfast Speaker Series is meeting 8 - 9 a.m., Thursday, September 22 at the

offices of Baker & McKenzie. Ben Welmaker will be presenting on the 2012 AIPN Model Form International Accounting Procedure. The fee to attend is \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members. Space is limited, so you will want to register as soon as possible. <http://www.aipn.org/Events/US22September2016.aspx>.

Joint Interest Committee Report

We are looking forward to another productive and interesting year! The first PASH JI Committee will be on September 15th at 3pm at the Doubletree Greenway Plaza to discuss current issues. A detailed agenda and related documents will be distributed prior to the meeting. If you would like to suggest a discussion topic or have any questions, please contact Karla Zawodny at karla.zawodny@repsol.com or Robyn Tarnowski at robyn.tarnowski@hotmail.com.

New Professionals Committee

The New Professionals Committee is in the process of planning events for 2016-2017. If you have a preference of what area of Houston you would like to meet, please be sure to let me know so that I can plan the locations accordingly. In addition, if you have any suggestions for the committee or future events please be sure to contact me.

If you know of any friends or co-workers who are new to the industry and you believe would be a great candidate for PASH and the New Professionals committee, please feel encouraged to invite them to the next meeting.

For information on the New Professionals committee and their activities please contact Chris Mathews at Chris.Mathews@bp.com.

Picture Roster

The Picture Roster Committee will have the photographer at the September 15th and the October 20th General Meetings from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm each month. We encourage all new members, old members or those wanting an updated picture to stop by our booth for a quick picture. If you are unable to attend these two meetings please send a passport type picture to Bill Mize at w.mize@sbcglobal.net. If you have any question call me at 713-664-9372.

Revenue Committee

The PASH Revenue Committee will hold its monthly meeting on September 15, 2016 at the Double Tree Hotel - U.S. Highway 59 & Edloe in the Camellia Room, Concourse Level. Our committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. Our meeting will include a presentation titled "Making Technology Work for You", given by Ms. Julie Royce, Revenue Exchange Manager with PDS Energy Information., an electronic exchange service provider for Fortune 500 energy companies in the USA. This presentation will be accredited for 1 hour of CPE for all Texas CPA's; no prerequisites are required.

We are glad to welcome the Midstream/Downstream Committee members who will be joining us again this year.

We encourage you to bring a guest and introduce them to our activities. Guests are encouraged but are not required to be members of PASH in order to attend our committee meetings.

COPAS Member Benefits

Did you know that as a COPAS member you are entitled to reduced rates from several rental car companies? Use the following IDs to get discounts with:

Avis: AWD - L039224

Hertz: CDP - 1970958

National: Contract ID - ESHB51C (includes Loss Damage Waiver)

Enterprize: Customer Number - SB00001, Pin - ENT

For more savings opportunities go to the COPAS website:
<http://www.copas.org/memberbenefits>

WEBSITES

www.pashcopas.org

Please take the opportunity to view the PASH website at www.pashcopas.org. Reservations for the monthly general dinner meetings can be made on-line by using our website.

You can keep up-to-date on planned events and key contacts for the various activities.

Membership information is available to help with your recruitment for PASH. Membership application forms may be printed from this site.

Check out the job line section for posted job opportunities.

Review the announcements for current PASH activities or other news such as COPAS meeting registration information.

Contact Charlene Lutkenhaus (clutkenhaus@AltaMesa.net) if you have any suggestions. The PASH phone hotline, (713.526.6070), will continue to be available for those not having access to the internet.

Click on the Links for access to other COPAS Societies and industry organizations.

WWW.COPAS.ORG

For COPAS Membership information, you can visit the COPAS website at www.copas.org. To access the membership directory you will need to utilize the username (usually your email address) and the password provided by the COPAS office. If you have not received this information, please contact COPAS at 877-992-6727. Access to this membership area and all related directory listings contain private data and therefore should not be disclosed to any solicitors or non-members. Please safeguard your personal password information.