

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

"I am only one, but I am still one. I cannot do everything but still I can do something. I will not refuse to do that something I can do." - Helen Keller



Chapter
President
Sandi Frank, CPP

Another month has passed, winter is a memory and spring has sprung its "blooms and thunder-booms". This is a season of great opportunity for all of us both personally and professionally.

The mission of the American Payroll Association and the Denver Chapter is to promote payroll education and the payroll profession. This has been accomplished over the years by a dedicated team of people who are passionate about moving us to the next level and making the business community aware of the value that an educated, professional payroll person can bring to an organization.

Our Chapter and many volunteers have made it possible to continue that education and growth at a local level. The Study Group committee, comprised of Cyndy Davidson, CPP, Lynn Torrey, CPP, and Michelle Vallow, CPP have dedicated themselves to developing a curriculum that has proven to be one of the best in the nation. They donate countless hours into the preparation and delivery of the CPP/FPC Study Group. I am sure that many of you reading this letter have an FPC or CPP designation as a result of this program. We are so lucky to have this opportunity and so grateful to these people and others who volunteer to keep the program alive.

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The DCPA Board and committee volunteers have given their time and talents to ensuring that our Chapter is a resource for our members to stay connected, continue their education, provide assistance to our community and have some fun along the way. We cannot do this alone! There are many ways to volunteer for the Chapter – special projects, phone calls, events, membership drives – some require an hour or so of your time and others a bit more. The key is that we need your help to keep the Chapter going strong. If you have questions about where your support is needed please contact one of the Board Members for more information.

Last month the Community Affairs committee created a special event at the Re-Store Habitat for Humanity to volunteer to assist the employees wherever needed. The volunteers did everything from unloading donations to measuring mini-blinds to cleaning and stocking. At the end of the day we were all exhausted but we also had a great feeling that we had done something bigger than ourselves. Thanks to all who chipped in – it was a great day.

The 33rd Annual Congress is happening this month and I hope to see many of you there! There are more exciting events in the works so stay tuned to the website and announcements at the Chapter Meetings.

Sandi Frank, CPP
President

AND THE WINNER IS.....

By: J.B. Morey, CPP

You were left with a cliffhanger in the newsletter last month. The topic was the location of the 2015 Rocky Mountain Regional Payroll Conference. Tours were taken, offers were reviewed, and I'm happy to announce that RMRPC 2015 will be at the Colorado Springs Marriott September 30th – October 2nd.

The RMRPC committee will be meeting in May to kick off planning, and create a wonderful conference for the attendees. If you were not able to sign up in February, but would like to be a part of the committee, please send an email with your contact information to vicepresident@denverapa.org

Watch for more information and updates in future issues of the Mile High Payroll Connection.

2014 PAYROLL SOURCE BOOKS

Are you already certified and just need to replace your old source book? Do you want multiple copies of the book for your office? Now is your chance to get a book at a **DISCOUNTED RATE**

Online ordering of the 2014 Payroll Source book is still available on the DCPA's calendar of events page at www.denverapa.org

Book prices have been discounted to make room for the 2015 edition
\$150.00 member

All orders must be prepaid via check or credit card and will be available for pick up at the monthly chapter meeting. If you are planning to take the CPP/FPC exam for the fall testing period this year you will need to order the 2015 book.

Please Note:

- All sales are final.
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SPECIAL AFFAIRS UPDATE

By: Andrea Brekus, CPP

Community Outreach had a wonderful time at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore's Earth Day celebration. We stretched our muscles and made a big difference at the ReStore!



Pictured: Nila Shoemaker, CPP, Andrea Brekus, CPP, Talee Lee and her daughter, Eli Shevalier, Laurie Rogers, and Sandi Frank, CPP.

The Habitat also has a list of items they need to continue the good work they do, so we will be doing a drive for supplies at the May meeting. If you were not able to come help at the store, please consider making a donation from the list below! Please, no items that need to be refrigerated before we donate them.

Office Supplies – Laminate paper, shipping labels, self-tab files, lined paper, notepads, scotch tape, Sharpies, highlighters, paper clips, staples, White Out, rubber bands, AA batteries, regular envelopes, copy paper, dry erase markers, Post-It Notes, pens, and a PC mouse.

Kitchen Supplies – Dishwasher soap, laundry soap, coffee filters, sugar/sweeteners, non-dairy creamer, coffee, snacks, condiments, freezer bags, and hand soap.

Dock Supplies – Packaging tape, duct tape, green tape, upholstery tags/guns, twine, plastic wrap (small and large), ice salt, spray

paint, and wood glue/liquid nail.

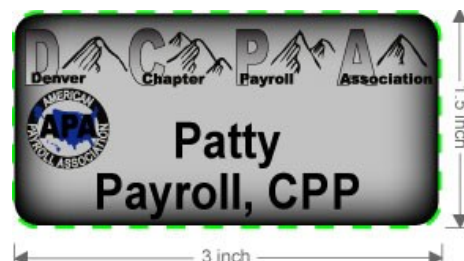
Volunteer Supplies – Name tags, cleaning gloves (bathroom/dishwashing), work gloves, safety glasses/goggles, dust masks, first aid supplies, rags, and back brace belts.

Janitorial Supplies – Spray bottles, garbage bags, mop heads, furniture cleaner, dusters, multi-surface cleaner, bathroom/disinfectant cleaner, toilet cleaner, plungers, toilet bowl scrubbers, toilet paper, paper towels, and hand soap.

I look forward to seeing more volunteers at the next event! Details will be coming to your inbox soon!

Chapter name badges are still available for order. The badges are made of brushed aluminum and feature the new Chapter logo and the APA logo along with your name and certification. They also feature a magnetic fastener.

Badges are \$14.00 and can be purchased through the [Calendar of Events](#) on the Chapter website. Click "[Register Now](#)" to order. Ordering is open to all members. The current ordering period will be open through June 28th and badges will be available at the July Chapter meeting.



GOVERNMENT UPDATE

By: Trish Craig, CPP

From the IRS:

Affordable Care Act 101 Webinars for Small Employers

SBA, the Department of Health Human and Services, and Small Business Majority have teamed up for a free weekly webinar series where small employers can learn the basics of the Affordable Care Act and what it means for their organization and employees.

English webinars: [Affordable Care Act 101 Webinars for Small Employers](#)

- Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET
- Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET
- Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET
- Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET
- Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET
- Thursday, June 25, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET

Spanish-language:

- Tuesday, April 21, 2015:
- Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET
- Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 2:00 PM ET

[IRS Withholding Calculator](#)

With tax day behind us, many employees may need to adjust their withholdings for 2015. The Withholding Calculator can help them determine what their withholding should be to avoid having too much or too little Federal income tax withheld from their pay. If changes are needed, they have to give you a new [Form W-4](#), Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate.

[Updated IRS Smartphone App IRS2Go Version 5.0 Now Available](#) – Did you know the IRS had an App?!

The IRS2Go 5.0 update is the only official IRS smartphone application, compatible with both Apple and Android devices. Download IRS2Go free of charge for Android devices from the Google Play Store or from the Apple App Store for Apple devices. Use it to check your refund status, watch the IRS YouTube channel, find free tax preparation help, get IRS news as soon as it's released, subscribe to filing season updates or daily tax tips, and follow the IRS Twitter news feed, @IRSnews, to get the latest federal tax news, including information about tax law changes and important IRS programs.

The IRS is soliciting comments concerning a free option for 94x filers.

Click here to review the [Request for Information \(RFI\) published on the Federal Register](#).

Written comments should be received on or before May 4, 2015 to be assured of consideration.

Please direct all electronic comments to wi.94x.efile@irs.gov or written comments to Internal Revenue Service, SE:W:CAS:SP:IS, 5000 Ellin Road, C4-223, Lanham, MD 20706. Please include the Federal Register Document number (FR Doc. 2015-05104) in the subject line of your email or correspondence.

From APA:

The 33rd Annual Congress is being held at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, NV, May 5-9, 2015.

If you're not able to attend the live event, [register](#) for the virtual experience. It's free to APA Members!

Virtual Congress and Expo

Join us for our 6th Annual Virtual Congress & Expo, an online companion to the American Payroll Association's Annual Congress. You can attend two live days of exclusive industry-led educational workshops and two General Sessions, all without leaving the office.

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The 2015 Virtual Congress & Expo offers:

- 6 Virtual Workshops and 2 General Sessions
- The opportunity to earn up to 9 RCHs
- A full-service Expo Hall to visit with our exclusive payroll vendors and learn about the latest product and service solutions available
- A Networking Lounge with multiple chat boards to network with peers
- A Resource Center to gather important event materials and news
- Profile pages for all participants to see who's attending
- Video highlights from Congress in Las Vegas

Have fun while you learn!

Visit our Game Center for some payroll fun! You could win TWO chances to win a FREE registration to the 34th Annual Congress in Nashville, Tennessee, in May 2016.

Engage in all areas of the Virtual Congress & Expo and earn as many badges as you can. Follow the Badge Leader board to see how you rank throughout the day.

Schedule:

Live Event	May 13-May 14	10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. ET
On Demand	May 15-Aug 14	Open 24 hours a day

MEET-A-MEMBER

By Lynn Harris, CPP

The featured DCPA member for the month of May is Dawn Curtis, CPP. Dawn works at Peliton HR Administration as a Payroll Implementation Manager.

Dawn has been in payroll for 14 years. When asked how she got started in payroll, Dawn stated, "I was at the park one day and I decided, hey! I like money! I also like taxes! It blew my mind at the age of 2. I am kind of a payroll prodigy. (Actually, I started as a receptionist at a payroll company.)"

In Dawn's own words, she earned her certification, "right after I passed the test – once in 2009 and once in 2014". Dawn did not attend the Chapter's study group but hopes to teach a session one day soon.

Dawn heard about the Denver Chapter Payroll Association from another member who "put a bug" in

her ear, and she has been a member herself for about 9 months. She attends meetings almost every month. When asked about her favorite meeting or event with the Chapter Dawn said, "The Color Test was really fun. I tend to forget my colors so it was very helpful." In her free time, Dawn enjoys "taking day trip adventures around Colorado and causing trouble" with her partner.

Congratulations, Dawn!!! And, thanks for making us all smile.



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2015 PAYROLL SOURCE BOOKS

Planning to take the CPP or FPC EXAM in the Fall this year or do you just want the newest resource material?

DISCOUNTED PRICE FOR DCPA MEMBERS

Pre-Orders of the 2015 Payroll Source book are now being taken on the DCPA's calendar of events page at www.denverapa.org

Book prices are:

\$225 - member

\$250 - non-member price

\$285 - non-member with the purchase of a membership (receive all member benefits of the chapter for 1 year)

This is a savings of over \$150 from APA's non-member price of \$440 (plus shipping). All orders must be prepaid via check or credit card and will be available for pick up at the monthly chapter meeting in April or May.

Please Note:

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2015 SUMMER/FALL STUDY GROUP

By: Michelle Vallow, CPP

I want to send a big thank-you to Sony Wittlif, FPC, whose bosses are allowing us to use the Arapahoe County Water & Wastewater Authority at 13031 East Caley Avenue, Centennial CO 80111 for the Summer/Fall Study Group.

Study Group will be held on July 18, August 1, 15 & 29, and September 12 from 9 am to 4 pm. Registration will open on-line at the Chapter website www.denverapa.org on May 15 and close on July 10. Cost for the Study Group is \$100 to be paid at the time of registration. If there is room, late registrations (registration requested after July 10) will cost \$125. If you are not a chapter member you must join the chapter in order to participate in the Study Group,

The 2015 Payroll Source will be used for study group. If you need a book please register to buy a book on the chapter website calendar of events. Books will be delivered to the first session. Cost of the 2015 Payroll Source through the chapter is \$225. To purchase a book you must request one through the Chapter website.

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Denver Chapter Payroll Association is a non-profit organization which promotes the advancement of payroll as a

profession. The Chapter achieves this by providing networking opportunities and by offering discussions and educational

presentations from local, regional and national representatives.

Members sustain a high level of competence in

relation to the laws and regulations associated with payroll processing and reporting. Continuing education is encouraged

through local study groups for Certified Payroll Professional and Fundamentals of Payroll Certification exams. The

organization also supports other charitable organizations by volunteering time and financial resources.

DENVER CHAPTER PAYROLL ASSOCIATION MAY DINNER MEETING

Earn one (1) RCH

DATE:	<i>Thursday May 21, 2015</i>
TIME:	<i>Registration opens at 5:30 PM Dinner served at 6:00 PM Meeting starts at 6:30 PM</i>
TOPIC:	<i>Employee Classification under DOL standards</i>
SPEAKER:	<i>Dexter Nash, Human Resources Specialist</i>
MENU:	<i>Stella Italiano</i> <i>Classic Caesar Salad with crisp romaine, garlic croutons, and parmesan Orzo pasta salad with fresh vegetables Italian sausage with peppers and onions Beef lasagna Roasted seasonal vegetable Roasted garlic breadsticks Chocolate chip cannoli</i>
COST:	\$25.00 for Members \$35.00 for Non-Members \$35.00 for Walk-ins *No-shows will be billed* *There is a \$20.00 fee for returned checks*
LOCATION:	NEW LOCATION FOR 2015! <i>Hilton Garden Inn 600 South Colorado Blvd. Denver 80246 Map it!</i>
Register Online HERE or visit www.denverapa.org Select Calendar of events, then May Professional Educational Meeting (Cancellations after 9am Tuesday May 19th will be billed)	