



Golden Gate Chapter Newsletter

California Society of Enrolled Agents

November 2009

www.ggcea.org

Monthly Chapter Meeting

Thursday November 5, 2009

The Golden Gate Chapter proudly presents:

JERRY PUSATERI, EA **PROVING VEHICLE EXPENSES**

Does your client have evidence to prove their mileage deduction?

How to Prove Vehicle Expenses When Your Client Doesn't Have a Mileage Log.

Have you ever asked a client for their mileage log and the client said, "What's that." Have you ever asked, "Do you have evidence to support your mileage deduction?" When you did, do your clients give you that look like you and they are on different planets?

If so, come and enjoy a little tax history lesson, a little court case study, a little IRS code and reg. review and some examples of ways to come up with (and prove) mileage, when the client thinks he/she has no records.

Find out what constitutes evidence:

- * Determine what your client should have as a mileage log
- * Discover how your client should reconstruct a mileage log
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- * Find out what evidence is acceptable per the IRS Code and Regs.
- * Discover ways to prove mileage without records
- * Find out how past court cases have treated mileage issues.

Grosvenor Airport Inn

380 South Airport Blvd., South San Francisco

4:30 pm Board Meeting - All Members Are Welcome

6:00 pm Social/Networking

6:45 pm Dinner

7:30 pm Continuing Education

Dinner: Roast Turkey & Trimmings Vegetarian: Cannelloni Florentine
Dessert: Pumpkin Pie

No Host Bar & No Host Wine

*Make your required dinner reservation by **Midnight, Monday, November 2, 2009.***

Register at www.ggcea.org

Dinner Reservation Policy: Attendees **with** a Reservation \$35.00 Attendees **without** a Reservation \$40.00

If you made a reservation **you must cancel if you cannot attend.** Otherwise, you will be billed for the amount of the dinner.

President's Message
By Jim Southward, EA



Time passes so quickly when one is busy. At the October Chapter meeting, your Chapter honored two very special volunteers. Our Chapter's first president and volunteer for our fall seminar for all of it's 25 years, and other efforts too numerous to recall, Ann Marie Sheehan, EA was presented the Hall Of Fame award. For the idea for, and carrying to fruition the informative and amusing table tents Colleen Soracco, EA was presented the Member of the Year award.

Please personally thank these dedicated volunteers. Their efforts helped to make your Chapter the great organization that it is.

Speaking of the Chapter, the Fall Seminar, It is just a few days away. When you attend this seminar, you are helping to support Your Chapter. Only the profits from your Chapter's seminar come back to you as support for your chapter. So, if you have not registered, do it today.

If you hear of any Members under the weather, please contact
Jeanne Gerritsen, EA
650-995-9903 or
jgerritsen@jps.net so that the appropriate memento can be sent.



Newsletter Info?

Due: The 10th of each month.
To: Amanda (Southward) Boston, EA
amanda@southwardtax.com

Calendar of Events

Mark your Calendars

November 2009

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| 5 | Monthly Chapter Meeting | 6:00 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12 | Fall Update Seminar | | |
| 13 | Fall Update Seminar | | |
| 14 | Fall Update Seminar | | |
| 20 | Redwood City Team Meeting | 8:30 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | (Note Date Change) | | |
| 20 | San Francisco Team Meeting | 8:00 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |

December 2009

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| 3 | Monthly Chapter Meeting | 6:00 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11 | Redwood City Team Meeting | 8:30 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18 | San Francisco Team Meeting | 8:00 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |

January 2010

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| 14 | Monthly Chapter Meeting | 6:00 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | (Note Date Change) | | |
| 15 | San Francisco Team Meeting | 8:00 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 22 | Redwood City Team Meeting | 8:00 am | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | (Note Date Change) | | |
| 28 | Half day Seminar | TBA | |

EA TEAMS:

Redwood City Group:

Will meet Friday, **November 20th 2009** at **8:30 am**
At King & Associates: 820 American Street, San Carlos
Parking available in front of office.
Refreshments: **Jean Southward, EA**
Call Amanda (Southward) Boston, EA for more info:
650 591-9661.

All Members welcome. No agenda. Get your tax questions answered. Network with other EAs.

San Francisco Group:

Will meet Friday, **November 20th, 2008** at **8:00 am**

Call Rico Delodovici, EA for more information: 650-755-3727
All Members welcome. No agenda. Get your tax questions answered. Network with other EAs.

HELP HELP HELP

Assistance is needed to work the registration desk and to hand out syllabi on November 12, 13, and 14, 2009.

Help is also needed on November 11, 2009 to put together the packets for the seminar. If you can help, please contact Lydia Mazer, EA (650) 593-1401 or lydiamazer@yahoo.com

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Call For Nominations

Your voice is very important for the future of our Chapter. The Nominating Committee is now collecting names of Members who would be interested in serving as an officer or a director on the Board of Directors for the 2010/2011 fiscal year.

All Members in Good Standing of the Golden Gate Chapter have the right to nominate themselves and/or other Members in Good Standing. All prospective nominees will be contacted to determine their interest in serving our Chapter.

Nominations must be submitted in writing or emailed by November 16, 2009. Interviews will be held at the Grosvenor Hotel, South San Francisco on Thursday, January 14, 2010. Send the names and a brief comment about the Members to:

Jeff Savitz, EA
Chair, Golden Gate Chapter Nominating Committee
4205 Skymont Drive
Belmont, CA 94002-1245
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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

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Wearing a Golden Gate Chapter personalized name badge ensures everybody *does* know your name! Order one today by contacting: Diane Harding 650-325-9362 mharding@alumni.stanford.org or just tell Members at the check in desk of our monthly dinner meeting.

QUICKFINDERS / SCHOLARSHIPS

If you order your Quickfinder from Thomson direct and not through the Chapter; please remember to use the Golden Gate Chapter's (**Scholarship Code. #Q524**). This code will automatically rebate our Chapter money towards our Scholarship Funds.

The Golden Gate Chapter has three Scholarship funds to help non-members take tax classes.

Applications are available on the Chapter's web site or from: jean@southwardtax.com.



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Team Meetings
Redwood City Team

Amanda Boston, EA
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Rico Delodovici, EA

Nominating
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Pam Blair, EA

Examination
Midge Schmidt, EA

Membership
Midge Schmidt, EA, CPA

Public Information & Awareness
Denis Maurer, EA

Education
Fall Update. Seminar

Bob Kern, EA
Mini Seminar

TBD

1-Day Seminar

TBD

Monthly Program
Don Gundry, EA

Enrollment Exam
Norman M. Golden, EA
Don Gundry, EA

CPE Reporting
Lydia Mazer, EA

Education Marketing
Jeff Savitz, EA

Education R&D
Lydia Mazer, EA

Fundraising

TBD

Auctions

TBD

Scholarship

Jean Southward, EA

Quickfinders

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Audit

Midge Schmidt, EA, CPA

Historical

Rico Delodovici, EA

Hospitality/ House & Site

Liz Stettiner, EA
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Newsletter Editor

Amanda Boston, EA

Technology

Norman M. Golden, EA

Public Disaster

Verna Wallace, EA

Member Benevolence

Jeanne Gerritsen, EA

Employment Bank

Dalia Wood, CFP, EA

Bylaws

Jeff Savitz, EA

Admin Review

Norman M. Golden, EA

Student Education Outreach

James Southward, EA (temp)

Awards

Norman M. Golden, EA