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# President's Message

In a few short weeks, the start of another tax season begins, although it seems as though last tax season never ended. While we continue to learn about all of the new tax changes, we are also changing the way we run our offices. Portals, zoom meetings, e-signatures, masks, hand sanitizer, and lots of Lysol have become the new normal.

We were able to offer our annual meeting on November  $10^{th}$  via Go To Webinar. As part of the meeting, we also included local updates from Berkheimer and Keystone. This was free to all members. On November  $12^{th}$ , we had our state update also via Go To Webinar. Both meetings were very well attended and had great reviews overall.

On December 17<sup>th,</sup> we also had a training on the new myPath Portal with the Department of Revenue. This was a great opportunity to see demonstrations and ask questions.

Any finally, on December 22<sup>nd</sup> we had an informal zoom meeting open to members to discuss office practices and obtain ideas and suggestions for operating your office during the pandemic. A lot of good discussion came from this. A big thank you to Jason Weisz and Troy Clawson for leading the discussions.

For 2021, the Board officers are as follows: Holly Whiteside - President, Troy Clawson - Vice-President, Joyce Jones - Secretary, Susan Bure - Treasurer. The chapter would like to recognize Joyce Jones as the recipient of the 2020 Award of Excellence. Joyce works tirelessly for the Chapter as our Secretary and helps keep us all organized! We appreciate her very much! We are planning our education for 2021. Many things will depend on the status of the pandemic. Rest assured that we will do what we can to bring you updates and education either through webinars or in person. Your health and safety are our priority.

I hope that you all have a safe, healthy and prosperous tax season!

Holly Whiteside, EA
President PA-NATP

# **PA-NATP Mission Statement**

- To unite those engaged in the practice of preparing Federal, State and Local Taxes.
- To foster and promote NATP's contributions toward the high standard of the tax preparation profession.
- To promote and protect the interest of tax professionals everywhere for the public benefit.
- To promote and maintain high standards of conduct in the tax preparation profession as expressed in the Code of Ethics and the Standards of Professional Conduct of the National Association of Tax Professionals.
- To work with the National Association to provide and promote continuing tax education programs for all members of the Association, particularly on issues and changes in the tax laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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# 2021 PA NATP Committee Members

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#### **BUDGET**

Executive Committee

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#### WEBINAR COMMITTEE

Marianne Kleppner-Chair Holly Whiteside Troy Clawson Patti Blum

#### **SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Joyce Jones - Chair Susan Bure Troy Clawson Patti Blum

#### **SEMINARS & EVENTS**

#### PA/Local

Patti Blum Kath Bowman

#### **Working Together – East**

Chuck Evans

#### Working Together - West

Patti Blum David Luczak

#### **Annual Conference**

Holly Whiteside - Co-Chair Patti Blum - Co-Chair **Chuck Evans** Marianne Kleppner Walter Douglass Andrea Phillips

# TAX PRACTITIONER LIAISONS IRS-Walter Douglass

PA- David Luczak Local- Joyce Jones

#### **CHAPTER BETTERMENT**

Susan Bure

# **2021 Calendar of Events**

#### PA Chapter events in bold type

National events in italics

January 6, 8:30am-12pm Board of Directors (Wednesday) Zoom Meeting

May 12, 8:30 Board of Directors (Wednesday) Zoom Meeting

May East Working Together

(TBD)

(Wednesday)

July 7, 8:30am-12pm Board of Directors (Wednesday) Zoom Meeting

July 11-15 NATP National Conference & Expo

(Monday-Thursday) Baltimore, MD

September, 8:30am-12pm Board of Director Zoom Meeting

September West Working Together

(TBD) Regional Alliance Center, Cranberry

November 7, 4pm-8pm Board of Directors Meeting

(Sunday) (TBD)

November 9-10 Annual State Conference & Membership Meeting

(Monday-Tuesday) (TBD)

### **Welcome New Members**

#### The PA Chapter is honored to welcome these new members

#### June 2020

Mariah Hanscom York Anna Filippova Philadelphia Elizabeth Defrancisco Delaware Thomas J Becek Allegheny Brian Jerome Sweeney Allegheny Karen Potteiger Perry Stefanie A Bennett Lycoming Lisa Guthrie. CPA Tioga George Charles Pry Clearfield Marilou T Lambert, EA Chester Howard Litz Montgomery Kenneth Michael McDaniel, EA Beaver Leslie Cugini Allegheny Melanie Mae Sweeney Allegheny Tracey Michaud Allegheny

#### **July 2020**

Amy Urbaniak Butler Michele McNeil Bucks Joanne L Ellinger **Bucks** Daniel F Becker, EA, CFP(R) Northampton Colin Doyley Philadelphia Earlene E Clark, CPA Montgomery Jena Lynn Vastag Allegheny Nicholas R Spinosa, CPA, EA Lawrence Amanda Snyder York Carl Sturges Chester Minal Babaria, CPA, CTC Lehigh Danny R Bowser Armstrong James Mckeon, EA Montgomery Aaron Frank Bonus, CB Butler Michael Prokell Allegheny Jenny Carden **Bucks** Anne Christine Cavallaro, EA Chester

#### August 2020

Beaver

Beth Ellis Philadelphia Kate McKenna Reber Schuylkill Patrick Rogers Philadelphia Megan E Haselden Allegheny Martin G Lawler, EA Lackawanna Amy Elizabeth Walter Erie Jessica Daniels **Bucks** Marie Hebbel **Bucks** William Kohler **Bucks** Norma J Jones Erie Robin Norton Franklin James J Newhard, CPA Chester Karen M Mele Erie Deborah A Ficner, EA Dauphin Joanne Bryson, CPA Montgomery

Jeremy Stowe

#### September 2020

Jeffrey S Hyle CPA, CPA
Lancaster
Laura Schramm
Angela Eyster Lohrey, CPA
Timothy Nelson

Lancaster
Allegheny
York
Philadelphia

#### October 2020

Kenneth Rapp, CFP, BFA Cumberland Lena Hicklin North Hampton Alexis K Mahoney Lycoming Nancy Houston Lycoming Laura L. Largo-Shosh Lehigh Susan K. Shutt, EA, CMA Cumberland Allegheny Brian J. McGeown Crawford Jeffrey Driscoll, EA Kate Radivojevich Crawford Derek Jon Latch Allegheny Teresa A Parris Montgomery Edward Shannon Montgomery Rita E Preston Crawford Jan L Spano Washington Joseph V Satira Allegheny Carol Reiner Chester

#### November 2020

Kendria Donalle Angrand Monroe William E Tinsman, Jr AFSP Pike Allison Grevdanus Monroe Jenna L. Kiess Lycoming Michelle A Kershaw York Julia Brufke Wenger, EA, CFP Chester Mary Louise Petrucci Somerset Michael Volinskie Snyder Annie Morales Franklin Suresh Patel **Bucks** Eileen V Morelock Montgomery Jasmine E Silver Lycoming Jacob Ruggles, EA, CRP Lehigh Carolyn West Philadelphia Ellen Azrael, EA Berks Tom Napoli, CPA **Bucks** Twanna W Johnson Philadelphia William Waters, CPA Lancaster Ave N Cinar Monroe Jeffrey Horrow, EA Montgomery Linda Jean Skunda Allegheny Brooks Lee Gleckner Bradford Pike Nigel Jones

### Welcome New Members, cont.

#### The PA Chapter is honored to welcome these new members

#### December 2020

Roger William Knouse Westmoreland Jon Sattazahn, EA Lancaster Jami Dee Jamison Berks Cameron E Koch Tioga Joseph Davis, IV Cambria Sarah Susannah Barnshaw Montgomery Lindsay Kaufmann **Bucks** Barry Roach, Jr Dauphin **Babette Walter** Montgomery Caterina Dell, EA Huntingdon Esmeralda Gonzalez York John J Roberts Bucks Anthony DeMarinis, EA **Bucks** Camden J Hess Lancaster Denise Loula, AFSP Lancaster Chad Eric Rugh Venango Shirley Muhammad Allegheny Todd A Eckenroad **Bedford** Tsigereda Gebremariam Crawford Jaringo Buechel Bucks Sadonna Lyals, MST Montgomery Bernard Fagnani, CPA Lackawanna

#### December 2020

Jennifer Sidella Schuykill Kylla Herbert Philadelphia Cheryl Glazer Montgomery

#### January 2021

LeaAnn M Coston Crawford Andrew Ayers Lancaster Patrice R Thompson, EA York Domonique Corey, AFSP Montgomery Mary Gresh Allegheny John H Fausnacht, Jr Lancaster Trudy D Duncan Mercer Michelle L Simco Chester Karen R Galitz Berks James Hanning Philadelphia Kwame Amoafo Danguah Monroe Catherine E Bente, AFSP Monroe

# Get Involved in Our Chapter!

#### Included with NATP membership

Getting involved in your Chapter is a great way to stay up-to-date on state and local tax issues and network with tax professionals in your area. Here are some Chapter opportunities available to all members:

- Register for education seminars on state and local tax topics at the PA Chapter Annual Conference in November.
- Volunteer and share your state and local tax expertise with other members.
- Attend state Chapter meetings where members can exchange ideas, solve problems, and discuss issues with other state members.
- Reach out to fellow members for support or advice about state and local tax issues.
- Send news articles that you feel would benefit our members

For more information or to contact our Chapter, visit <a href="http://panatptax.com">http://panatptax.com</a>.

# **Board/Committee News**



NATP PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER AWARD OF EXCELLENCE PRESENTED TO JOYCE JONES, E.A. ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020

Whereas the Pennsylvania chapter, of National Association of Tax Professionals, is a body of men and women, from across the commonwealth who work together in order to increase their knowledge of matters of tax, in order that they may serve their fellow citizens. At one time or another, in order to serve, we study new legal requirements and present programs of education to assist fellow preparers.

To do so, there is a body of fellow members, our board of directors, who work long and hard, to bring us together, so that we may learn, serve and assist other preparers in Pennsylvania.

In order for our association to be visible and vital, there must be someone out front, leading and directing, with others supporting, in the background. Those in the background are equally necessary for the maintenance and organization of the Chapter. This is necessary, so that programs such as today, can be produced.

Today, we are taking the time to recognize one lady who has quietly and faithfully served our chapter. She has done this while maintaining her tax business, running a farm and raising a family. Thus, in experience, she is well qualified to file and teach, the IRS, Form 'F' in realm of farming, she has been raising white Galloway cattle, for 21 years. This lady certainly knows something about farming, from the ground up.

A little farm humor from Charles C Evans: A visitor to the farm heard two "girls" talking: the first cow said, "I was artificially inseminated today." The second cow said, "Were you really?" "YES" the first replied, "That's no bull"

Our lady also has more farm experience, as she serves as secretary/treasurer, for the American Galloway Cattlemens Association. This service, being for the past 20 years. In another avenue of farm service, she has been an advisor to 4H youth, for the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Back to the PA-NATP, she will drive from New Castle, to wherever our Chapter is meeting. Today, you will find her on the side of the room towards the front, making her notes in order to report the minutes at our next meeting.

Therefore, it is with honor, that we, the Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Association of Tax Professionals, recognize Joyce Jones with the 2020 Award of Excellence on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

We really Thank You, Joyce, for all that you have done, and do, for our Chapter. Therefore, we are proud to recognize you today, with this Award of Excellence. You have the appreciation of all the members of the Chapter.

Charles C. Evans, Jr Holly Whiteside Chapter Awards Chairman Chapter Tresident

# PA NATP Chapter Scholarship Fund

#### Submitted by Joyce Jones

The chapter is now offering several scholarships through of the generosity of several members and the hard work of the chapter through the past few years. We currently have a balance of \$5,386.40 in our chapter scholarship fund.

We must keep a principal amount of \$2,000.00 in the fund, but we have about \$3,386.40 available for scholarships to our members. This year your board of directors decided to offer scholarships to our members for several items. You can apply for a scholarship for Part I, II, or III of the Enrolled Agent Exam, to attend the PANATP Annual Conference, or any of the educational events the chapter is planning for 2021.

Our chapter first began the scholarship program to honor a deceased member, Dave Knickerbocker. Dave was very active in the chapter. He died as a result of a fall, and his passing was a shock to the members of the chapter who had worked closely with him. Dave was a self-employed tax preparer and a substitute teacher at General McLane High School. To honor Dave's memory, the chapter worked with the Erie Community Foundation to create a scholarship for a deserving senior who attends General McLane School District and plans to attend college to major in accounting. To fund the scholarship the chapter instituted the Chinese auction held during the annual conference, accepted contributions to the scholarship box that is at every education event the chapter holds, and accepts donations from members. Having a balance in the Knickerbocker Scholarship of over \$10,000, it is fully funded and self-sustaining per the requirements of the Community Foundation. As a result of that, the board decided to continue its efforts to raise funds to create scholarships for our chapter members.

To apply for a scholarship, you must complete the 2021 Scholarship application with the required information. Once completed, you must send the application to Joyce Jones, Scholarship Committee Chair, at 395 Double J Lane, New Castle, PA 16101. All applications must be received by August 31, 2021. Once received, the applications will be reviewed by the committee members who will vote on the winners. The winners will be notified by mail, and will receive a Scholarship Disbursement Voucher. The voucher must be returned along with the required information to the committee chairperson who will have the treasurer send you a check for reimbursement.

The education committee is working on current year education events. Once approval is received from National, it will be posted on our chapter website at <a href="http://panatptax.com/">http://panatptax.com/</a>. You can apply anytime for a scholarship to the Annual Conference or the parts for the Enrolled Agent exam. However, if you are choosing to apply for a specific chapter education event, you will need to visit the chapter website to see what will be available.

Good luck with your applications. We hope to see many applications.

#### **PA-NATP Scholarship Application Directions**

**DEFINITION**: A scholarship will be given to any active member of the PA Chapter of National Association of Tax Professional for any of the following:

- 1. PA-NATP Annual Conference
- 2. PA-NATP Education Events
- 3. Enrolled Agent Test Part 1
- 4. Enrolled Agent Test Part 2
- 5. Enrolled Agent Test Part 3

**INSTRUCTIONS**: Complete PA-NATP Scholarship Application and send to scholarship committee chairperson: Joyce Jones, 395 Double J Lane, New Castle, PA 16101.

#### ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 31,2021.

If you are chosen as a recipient, you will be notified by mail along with a Scholarship disbursement Voucher. Attachments needed for reimbursement:

- 1. Scholarship Disbursement Voucher
- 2. For Enrolled Agent Testing, a copy of the Prometric receipt when you registered and proof that you took the test.

Send the Scholarship Disbursement Voucher and all attachments to: Joyce Jones, 395 Double J Lane, New Castle, PA 16101

Please note that all scholarships are non-transferable.

#### **PA-NATP**

#### **2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME:				
ADDRES	SS:			
CITY: _		STATE:	ZIP CODE	
SCHOLA	ARSHIP FOR WHICH YOU ARE AP	PLYING: (Pick	conly one)	
1	PA-NATP Annual Conference			
2	PA-NATP Seminar Event			
3	Enrolled Agent Test Part 1			
4	Enrolled Agent Test Part 2			
5	Enrolled Agent Test Part 3			
Explain	why you want to attend the	event chose	en from the above list.	

Send completed application to Joyce Jones, Scholarship Committee Chairperson, 395 Double J Lane, New Castle, PA 16101.

# Office Management

The Pennsylvania Chapter of the NATP provides a member benefit of ordering tax and related books and information at a discount from Tax Materials, Inc. and Thomson Reuters Checkpoint. Every tax office should have these various informative tools to help in the planning and preparation of tax returns. By ordering through us, these companies help support our chapter with a donation for each purchase.



To order The Taxbook™ or WebLibrary products and the Quickfinder tax preparation tools, go to our Chapter website at https://panatptax.com. The links for the order forms are on the left side of each web page under "What's New". By using code Q680 when ordering your QuickFinder books you will receive a discount. Enter code 488 if you are purchasing Taxbook™ materials to receive your discount.

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