

South Chapter President's Letter

The Chicago South Chapter Board Officers as of June 1, 2007 are:

President - Paul Dillman
Senior Vice President - Sue Riordan
Vice President - John Jankowski
Secretary - Frank McCauley
Treasurer - Jim Roche
Delegate – Nick Trevor

The South Chapter just celebrated its 35th anniversary as a chapter. We have a great history and are looking forward to the future!

At our transition dinner I shared the following goals and asked for the support of all officers and member to make this next year a year of great forward movement. The goals are:

- a. Increase attendance at chapter events.
- b. Present relevant topics and practical implementation of practice ideas.
- c. Reach out to younger audience (not just be the old boys club).
- d. Have greater participation of members.
- e. Provide inexpensive CPE (40 annual hours required for licensed CPAs).
- f. Meet member needs and help them develop professionally.
- g. Improve cooperation and participation with downtown Society.
- h. Effectively raise funds and use them to promote the Chapter and members.
- i. **Stop** demeaning downtown effectiveness and methods.
- j. **Start** demanding results, cooperation and participation with downtown.

The goals above hopefully are great; some might even say they are fighting words! But to quote Dan Burnham when he helped plan the city of Chicago, *"Make no little plans. They have no magic to strike man's blood and probably will themselves not be realized."*

Therefore I urge you to make no small plans, get involved with the Chapter and help us accomplish great things. The Downtown Society and the Chapter are here to serve you!

The monthly Chapter Meetings are usually held the third Thursday of each month, with the schedule being:

6PM – Drinking and Networking.
7PM – Dinner
8PM – CPE Program
(1 hr CPE ends by 9PM, 2 hour CPE starts at 7:45 and ends by 9:30PM)

We also offer Networking events, the CPA Brain Trust, Various CPE opportunities and other events. Please check the website for the latest information. www.ICPAS.org.

In closing, I ask for your help and participation. Working together we can accomplish great things. Please feel free to contact me personally. I am looking forward to working with you and serving the Chapter this year.

Regards,

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