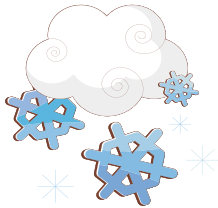


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January Program

January 12

“Watch Where You Step—Tax Issues and UBIT”

Presenter—*Vonna Laue, CPA, Capin Crouse*

OMG...It's January Already!

Vonna Laue , CPA, an audit partner in the California offices of *CapinCrouse, LLP*, is slated to be the speaker at the Mile High Chapter's first program in 2012. The NACBA Mile High Chapter meets monthly on the second Thursday of each month, September – May, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Cherry Hills Village.

On Thursday morning, January 12, Vonna will be addressing the subject, “Watch Where You Step—Tax Issues and UBIT.”

A variety of tax issues will be discussed such as unrelated business income, challenges to the housing allowance, and handling of interns and volunteers. Vonna will also be exploring some legislative matters impacting churches, including threats to charitable deductions and Senator Grassley's

ongoing investigation of six ministries. There will be some time to answer questions that you might have related to accounting topics in an open forum format, as well.

Vonna joined *CapinCrouse, LLP*, in 1996. Her primary responsibilities include oversight of audit and accounting services performed for clients. She serves on the church team within *CapinCrouse*, helping to develop tools that will benefit churches and equip church personnel and boards. She has published articles in national church business administration publications, and she is a co-author of the book, *Essential Guide to Church Finance*.

All in all, this program is a “*Don't Miss opportunity*” for those who want to bring themselves “up-to-speed” with what's happening in the world of church accounting. Make your reservations for breakfast today by e-mailing Mile High's Hospitality Chair, Debbie Boyer at holytrinitylutheranlittleton@gmail.com

or contact Debbie at (303) 798-1356. Breakfast is served at 8:00 a.m., the program begins at 10:30. You are welcome to bring a guest, of course...The \$25.00 guest-fee is payable at the door.

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get connected at the
56th National NACBA Conference

POWER YOUR SPIRIT

PLUG INTO HOUSTON
July 10-14, 2012

Mile High Chapter

It's Time To Start Planning to Attend the NACBA'S Annual Conference

Did you remember that the Mile High NACBA Chapter can help? The Chapter offers two scholarship opportunities to assist you in attending NACBA's annual conference being held, this year, in Houston, Texas, July 10-14. Active members of the local chapter, in good standing (dues are current), are eligible to apply.

A Chapter scholarship, modeled on the criteria established for scholarships from NACBA's Endowment Fund, was established several years ago as a way to encourage Chapter members to participate in the national association's annual conference of church business administrators, which draws attendees from all over the United States. And just seven years ago, a scholarship for any Active member who will be attending his/her first NACBA conference was created in memory of Spooky Gilliam, FCBA, a former Chapter president and chair of the Keystone 2005 Annual Conference Steering Committee. Applications for both of these scholarships are available at Mile

High's upcoming monthly meetings, or on the Mile High Chapter's web site, www.milehigh-nacba.net.

The **deadline for returning** either or both scholarship applications is April 30, 2012. Recipients will be announced at the Chapter's meeting on May 10.

In addition, if you are an Active member of the national association, you are eligible for assistance from the NACBA's Endowment Fund. The Mile High Chapter is proud to be an annual contributor to this Fund, established by the NACBA to

assist its members in attending the annual conference and/or in participating in the Certification process. An application form for scholarship assistance from NACBA's Endowment Fund is available through NACBA's web site, www.nacba.net.

So, there are as many as *three* scholarships available to help you attend "*Power Your Spirit – Plug Into Houston*", the 56th annual NACBA national conference in Houston, Texas this coming July...

Start Making Your Arrangements Today!



Houston 2012

The 56th Annual NACBA National Conference will be held at the Hilton Americas Houston hotel located in the heart of downtown Houston, Texas on July 10-14, 2012. The Houston conference will bring everything

together under one roof, including more than 200 church suppliers, 80 church workshops and networking that is unbeatable! NACBA's National Conference makes it easy to create relationships and reconnect with

church administrative leaders from across the country, while gaining helpful church business knowledge. **Go to NACBA.net and register today to make sure you don't miss out!**

February Program

“IT SECURITY – THE CLOUD...”

Presenter—**Jack Drose**, Chief Financial Officer and co-founder of the Denver-based company, *IT Portfolio*

In our electronic age, how can we keep confidential documents confidential?

Jack is planning to discuss issues related to social security, health care and other employee-related confidentiality issues. He will also talk about how this information can be secured in “the Cloud”. Maybe, he’ll help us understand what “the Cloud” is, exactly...

IT Portfolio has been providing PC and Network support, Web and Software development and Managed Infrastructure Services to the small and mid-sized business market for over 10 years and to national conferences.



Share the NACBA Advantage

Expand your network!

- Opportunities to network with more than 3,000 members involved leading today’s churches to exchange ideas and problem-solving techniques
- Detailed member directory that helps connect you with specific

members who serve organizations in your area, denomination, size, etc.

- NACBA’s Annual National Conference bringing together church administrative leaders across the nation
- Telewebs and other Web-based

information sharing opportunities for members to communicate with each other

- Events and educational programs that connect you with leaders and experts in church business administration

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Chapter Location

Bethany Lutheran Church

4500 E Hampden Ave,
Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113
(Hampden & Happy Canyon)

8:00 a.m. Fellowship/breakfast
(cost is included in your
membership fee)

8:15 a.m. Business meeting

8:45 -10:30 a.m. Program of the
month

Non-members pay \$25 per
session (includes breakfast)

Let us know you're coming...

Contact Debbie Boyer at
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ail.com to make your breakfast
reservation.

Check out our webpage

milehigh-nacba.net

You'll find current, past and
future information regarding our
Chapter. Pretty cool

We **encourage** participation in
the newsletter as part of the
networking of the chapter. If
you have articles of interest or
regarding opportunities within
your organization, please
contact Mary at 303.798.0711 or
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NACBANEWS is published
monthly. Deadline for articles
to be included in the newsletter
is the 15th of the month
prior to publication.

**Repeat:
articles from
members are
welcome!**



Certified Church Administrator

NACBA's Committee of Professional Training and Standards developed a professional program of certification for church administrative leaders that has been in place since 1952. The designation of Certified Church Administrator (CCA) is given to those who complete the NACBA's certification program. CCA designation empowers you to be a better church administrator by following the national standards put in place by NACBA. The certification program enables you to further your business education while acquiring knowledge and resources unique to church administration, an asset to both you and your church.

The certification process involves four weeks of classes at any of the six participating certification centers. To register contact the center of your choice and send your registration form and \$25 registration fee to the national NACBA office. This fee will be applied against the certification fee of \$100 for members or \$400 for non-member of the NACBA national organization. To receive certification send your application form and \$75 for members or \$375 for non-members application fee to NACBA by June 1 of the year you wish to receive certification. Go to the NACBA website and check under the "Education" tab for more info.

SMILE

Christian Football

Quarterback Sneak - Church members quietly leaving during the invitation.

Draw Play - What many children do with the bulletin during worship.

Half-time - The period between Sunday School and worship when many choose to leave.

Benchwarmer - Those who do not sing, pray, work, or apparently do anything but sit.

Backfield-in-Motion - Making a trip to the back (restroom or water fountain) during the service.

Staying in the Pocket - What happens to a lot of money that should be given to the Lord's work.

Two-minute Warning - The point at which you realize the sermon is almost over and begin to gather up

your children and belongings.

Instant Replay - The preacher loses his notes and falls back on last week's illustrations.

Sudden Death - What happens to the attention span of the congregation if the preacher goes "overtime."

Trap - You're called on to pray and are asleep.

End Run - Getting out of church quick, without speaking to any guest or fellow member.

Flex Defence - The ability to allow absolutely nothing said during the sermon to affect your life.

Halfback Option - The decision of 50% of the congregation not to return for the evening service.

Blitz - The rush for the restaurants following the closing prayer.