



Chapter News



Atlanta Chapter

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President's Message

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Atlanta Chapter of the GSCPA, I want to wish all of our members a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We will resume our monthly lunch meeting schedule on January 15, 2008 with a provocative presentation. Colin Blalock will speak about getting your 'house' in order. We're sure you'll enjoy it, and we look forward to seeing you there.

The Atlanta Chapter Officers continue to give thought to the question: What does the Atlanta Chapter mean to you, and how can you use it to grow professionally? We are working to help you make progress related to continuing education and developing your professional network and career path, and have fun in the process. We also work to provide a comfortable environment for students as they advance to enter our profession. As we move toward these goals, we see a need for members to join the leadership team to help us carry out the initiatives of education and professional development, and we welcome your ideas. If you want to be involved this year, reach out to any of the chapter officers or committee chairs. We'll be happy to find a position to best help you achieve your goals.

Thanks,
Michael Levine
Atlanta Chapter President

Chapter Meeting Information

Meeting Information

Date: January 15, 2008

Location: Vintage Room, Renaissance Hotel, 590 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta (conference room adjacent to buffet line on street level of hotel)

Time: 12 p.m. (please arrive 20+ minutes early for registration)

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch and 1 hour of CPE credit)

Speaker: Colin Blalock

Topic: Getting Your House in Order

GSCPA Atlanta Chapter meetings are open to professionals with interest in the topic being discussed. The meetings also happen to be great opportunities to meet other professionals. If you know of someone who would benefit by attending this month's meeting, please forward this invitation to them with a request to RSVP.

Please forward your reservations/cancellations via email ASAP to:

[Kris Clark](#), Atlanta Chapter Secretary

Complimentary valet parking is available at the Renaissance main entrance for those attending the Atlanta Chapter meeting.

Speaker's Biography

[Colin E. Blalock](#), CPA, PFS, CFP
Shareholder

Colin joined Jones and Kolb in 1986 after several years with a regional accounting firm. Prior to that, Colin was a Revenue Agent with the Internal Revenue Service. He concentrates in the areas of individual and corporate taxation, not for profit organizations and tax advocacy and disputes with the IRS.

Colin received a B.B.A. degree from Georgia State University. He also, holds the Certified Financial Planner designation from the College of Financial Planning. Colin is also a member of the Georgia Society of CPAs, and currently serves on its Board of Directors. He is also a member of the American Institute of CPAs, having received its designation of Accredited Personal Financial Specialist. Colin is also a frequent public speaker on tax topics to not for profit and other organizations. He also serves as the coordinator of the Design Information Group (DIG), a monthly roundtable discussion group. Colin has received numerous professional awards and acclamations including the Distinguished Service Award from the Georgia Society of CPAs.

Colin is active in numerous professional and civic organizations and enjoys public speaking, playing golf and has acted as a network spotter for several PGA events.

2007 - 2008 Meeting Schedule

February 19, 2008 - TBD

March 18, 2008 - Jim Tinsley "Tax Credits for Georgia Businesses"

April 22, 2008 - TBD

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