



# Chapter News



Augusta Chapter CPA Update

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## President's Message

Dear Members:

Last month we had a very informative presentation by GSCPA President Stewart Carlin. It will be interesting to see how Georgia HB 1055, the Mobility bill, will affect the profession. This bill was the culmination of nearly two years of discussions and maneuverings that took place at not only the state level, but nationally as well. The thought of decreasing experience requirements across the board is certainly an eye opener.

On a different note, after the meeting last month I asked several of you to compile a list of CPE topics/courses that your firm would like to see in Augusta. I am pleased to say I have a thorough and diverse list to submit. Thank all of you who helped me with this.

If you have any dietary requests for the luncheon, please let Sharon know when you call in or [email](#) your reservation. We will do our best to accommodate those needs.

Sincerely,

Chris Etterlee

## Chapter Meetings

### August Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, August 21, 2008

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.

**Place:** The Marbury Center  
1257 Broad Street

**Cost:** \$15

**Speakers:** Stephen D. Farmer, CPA/ABV/CVA  
Cherry, Bekaert, & Holland

**Topic:** Family Limited Partnership Valuation Issues

**CPE:** 1 credit hour

**For reservations, please call or email:**

[Sharon Key](#)

706-724-3557

**In order to make the appropriate accommodations, please notify Sharon by:**

9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 19, 2008

## Chapter News

### **Upcoming CPE in Augusta**

Governmental Accounting and Reporting: Putting It All Together  
August 8 • Doubletree Hotel Augusta

Georgia State Tax Issues  
August 21 • Doubletree Hotel Augusta

Advanced Update for Compilation Review and Accounting Services  
September 10 • Doubletree Hotel Augusta

LLC and Partnership Taxation: Beyond the Basics  
September 23 • Doubletree Hotel Augusta

Each of the above courses includes eight hours of CPE credit. For more information on the above listed GSCPA courses, visit the [web site](#) or call 800-330-8889, Opt. 3.

### **Spotlight - 2008 Financial Institutions Conference**

Thursday, September 18, 2008

Cobb Galleria Centre  
Two Galleria Parkway  
Atlanta, GA 30339

Come and learn to how to feed your investments! This course is designed for banks, credit unions, CFOs, and CEOs. We will focus on topics including e-commerce, community banking, regulatory issues, and technology for financial institutions.

For more information or to register, please [click here](#).

### **Upcoming Conferences**

2008 Fraud & Forensic Accounting Conference  
Thursday, September 25, 2008 • Atlanta, GA

Join us for this exciting new conference. Hear a case study, learn how to prevent fraud in your organization and finally learn what to do if fraud is discovered. Earn eight hours A&A credit. Other topics include forensic accounting services relating to computer forensics, financial investigations, business disputes, and troubled-business engagements.

For information, please [click here](#).

### **Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

Dates: 9/18/08

10/16/08

11/20/08

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will take place at the Marbury Center (1257 Broad St.) and begin at 11:30 a.m.

### **CPE Web Casts**

Still in need some CPE hours? If so, [video web casts](#) are available online through the GSCPA web site. Topics include A&A, taxation and more.

### **Newsletter Announcements**

Please submit announcements for inclusion in this newsletter to [Abby Smith](#) at 706-722-9090.

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