



# Chapter News and Events



April 2009

North Atlanta Chapter

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## President's Message

Many of us are working fast and furious trying to get the last of the tax returns done and extending the rest. Don't miss this month's A&A opportunity on April 16 (take the day off if you must, but come to our monthly meeting that evening). Our speaker is another professor at Kennesaw State University, Dr. Audrey Gramling, who will speak on COSOs.

What is COSO? The official name for COSO is the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. James C. Treadway Jr., the commission's namesake, was a member of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the initial chairman of COSO. COSO deals with internal controls and describes a unified approach for evaluation of the internal control systems designed to:

- provide reasonable assurance of achieving corporate mission, objectives, goals and desired outcome, while adhering to laws and regulations
- allow the company to accurately report successes and outcomes to the public and interested third parties

and

- serves as a common basis for managers, directors, regulators, educators and others to better understand enterprise risk management, its benefits and limitations, and to effectively communicate about enterprise risk management

Our line-up of upcoming events is at the end of this message.

Jim Ray,  
Chapter President

## Chapter Meeting Information

**When:** April 16, 2009

**Where:** Doubletree Hotel NW Atlanta off Windy Hill Road. From I-75 in Cobb Co. go west on Windy Hill Road (exit #260). Hotel driveway will be on your right located between Popeye's Chicken and Wachovia Bank. Phone: 770-272-9441.

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. registration, 6 p.m. first Speaker, 7:30 p.m. second Speaker

**Cost:** Students \$15, \$25 for chapter members, with a \$5 member discount available if registered by Monday, April 13.

**Register:** Send [email](#) to or visit the [chapter's web page](#). Remember to include (1) your name, (2) GSCPA member number and (3) contact phone number.

### Dinner Buffet

- Coconut Fruit Salad

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## Upcoming GSCPA Events

[2009 Annual Convention](#)

June 28-July 1, 2009

Ritz Carlton

Amelia Island, FL

- Mixed Greens Salad with Spicy Mango Vinaigrette
- Island Grilled Pork Loin with Guava BBQ Sauce
- Beef Short Ribs Braised with Chipotle and Pineapple Adobo
- Dirty Rice
- Roasted Cauliflower
- Sweet Potato Fritters
- Rolls and Butter
- Key Lime Pie & Banana Mousse
- Coffee and Tea

**Speaker and Topic Before and After Dinner (2 hr A&A):**

"COSO's New Guidance on Monitoring Controls" presented by Dr. Audrey Gramling of Kennesaw State University.

## Meeting Schedule

### North Atlanta Chapter-In its 29th year! Outline of Upcoming Events

**Thursday, May 21, 2009 - Doubletree Hotel**  
Annual Installation of Officers and 1 hour CPE

**Thursday, June 18, 2009 - Doubletree Hotel**  
Foreign Accounts and Related Issues - 2 hours CPE

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