



# Chapter News



Rome Chapter

July 2008

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## President's Message

Dear Fellow Rome GSCPA Chapter Members,

Thank you to all of you who came to listen to Hale Sheppard last month. Hale is a tax attorney with Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Martin in Atlanta. If you missed it, Hale led a presentation on the tax return preparer penalties. I believe all of us definitely left there more informed and better prepared to face these regulations.

We had a good crowd of around 20 members, the food was ready, the presentation went smoothly, what more could we ask for – well, how about 30 members show up this month? Sounds crazy I know, but I think it can happen.

This month we have Debbie Rodkin coming back to Rome to speak with us. Her topic will be no where close to the cost segregation discussion she presented to us last year. This year, she will be speaking to us from a different “hat” she wears in the corporate world. Debbie is the Executive Director of RE: Focus On Careers, a networking organization dedicated to helping professionals with career development throughout the lifecycle of their careers.

She has promised a fun and interactive course for one hour cpe credit. She recently presented the topic at the GSCPA's Spring Decision Makers Conference. As this is a networking event, Debbie has asked that the members bring 30-50 business cards with them! I know some of you may not have 50 business cards or want to use your business cards for this, so take an index card, write your name on it and we'll pretend like it's a business card.

I am looking forward to hearing from Debbie as I hope you are. Bring a long lost member with you and let's try to get to that 30 number this month.

Sincerely,  
Brad Reeder

## Chapter Meetings

### July Chapter Meeting

**Date:** July 15, 2008

**Time:** 12:00 p.m.

**Place:** Coosa Country Club  
110 Branham Avenue  
Rome, Georgia 30165

**Speaker:** Debbie Rodkin

Topic: Networking

For reservations please call or email: [Kelli Gonzalez](mailto:Kelli.Gonzalez@gscca.org) at 706-234-7571. **Please notify Kelli by July 11, 2008.**

## Chapter News

**We would like to welcome our newest members:**

Mark M. Chase, Jr. CPA

Tony D. Chastain, CPA  
Marcus I Hardeman  
H.W. Jones, CPA  
Rebecca H. Perkins

Please submit any announcements for inclusion in newsletter to [Kelli Gonzalez](#) at 706-234-7571.

## 2008-2009 Chapter Officers and Meeting Schedule

### Chapter Officers

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### Meeting Schedule

The Rome Chapter meets on the third Tuesday of every month at the Coosa Country Club.

### GSCPA CPE in Rome

8/14 - Governmental & Nonprofit Annual Update

9/8 - Detecting Misstatements: Integrating SAS 99 and Risk Assessment Standards

10/28 - Loscalzo's Annual FASB & AICPA Update

12/5 - 2008 Annual Business Law Update

12/16 - Small Business Accounting and Auditing Update

All courses are at the Georgia Highlands College Heritage Hall. Please visit the [GSCPA web site](#) to register for a course.