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October General Meeting

Speaker: Kimberly Peak, Corporate Controller, ICx Technologies

Topic: The Economic Downturn and its Impact on Accountants

Date: October 13, 2009, 11:30 AM

Location: Baxter's Interurban Grill – 711 S Houston

Price: \$20

RSVP: tstarke@addisonfinancial.com

Recommended for one hour of continuing education credit

About the speaker

Kim currently serves as the Controller, External Reporting and Compliance for ICx Technologies, Inc., a publicly-traded company (ICXT) headquartered in Arlington, VA. In this role, she is responsible for ensuring compliance with external rules and regulations, including preparation of external financial statements in accordance with US GAAP and SEC requirements, and coordination and supervision of the monthly G/L closing process, tax compliance and reporting, the external audit and the SOX compliance audit. Kim joined ICx in November of 2007 after serving one year as Manager, Accounting Compliance for Dollar Thrifty Automotive Group and eight years in public accounting with Grant Thornton LLP and Arthur Andersen LLP. She is a licensed CPA in the state of Oklahoma and is a long-time member of the OSCP and AICPA.

Letter from the President

Well, I suppose we're all back into the rhythm of the normal work schedule now that summer is over. Our first meeting of the year, in September, was a success. David Hall, former CFO for Atlas Pipeline gave us insights into the management challenges faced when your Company grows exponentially over a period of a few years. I thought David was informative and I appreciate him taking the time to speak with us. The participant count was very good; we pushed the limits of Baxter's capacity.

Our representative at the Heartland Council, Jeff Smith, reports that the two-day Springfield Conference was a success, with well over 200 in attendance. For anyone who hasn't attended the Springfield conference in the past, let me assure you that it is a first class conference. The conference is co-sponsored by Missouri State University and held on the school's beautiful campus. Springfield is only three hours away, so please consider the Springfield IMA conference in September 2010.

In October our speaker is Kimberly Peak, Controller, External Reporting for ICX Technologies, Inc. of Stillwater. Kimberly will be addressing the group on the subject of "The Current Recession's Impact on Accountants". Kimberly has significant experience in accounting management; and she has been a speaker at the IMA Tulsa Chapter Annual CPE Conference. We hope to see a great turnout for Kimberly's presentation.



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The speaker and topic for the November technical meeting will be announced in the next newsletter.

Thursday, December 10 marks the 2009 Joint Meeting of Accounting Organizations. It will be held at the Marriott hotel at 71st Street west of Lewis Avenue. The speaker's topic is What do you mean, "I started it"? Speaker information follows.

Timothy L Johnson is Chief Accomplishment Officer of Carpe Factum, Inc. (Latin for "seize the accomplishment"). He has almost two decades of highly successful experience in project and program management, business solutions, creativity, executive and management coaching, and strategic facilitation. His clients include Teva Neuroscience, Harley-Davidson, ING, Principal Financial Group, Wells Fargo, and numerous small businesses and not-for-profit organizations. He is also an adjunct professor in the MBA program at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, teaching classes in Project Management, Creativity for Business, Leadership Development, and Managing Office Politics and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, teaching classes in business analysis and systems thinking. His first book, *Race Through the Forest – A Project Management Fable*, was published in 2006. His second book, *GUST – The "Tale" Wind of Office Politics*, was released in April, 2007. His third book, *SWAT: Seize the Accomplishment*, is being released in January 2010. He also is a contributing writer on www.office-politics.com, an online advice column for office politics situations as well as www.iowabiz.com, an online resource for business professionals in Iowa.

It sounds like a great program and I look forward to it. Don't miss the December meeting if you can help it.

I'll see you at Baxter's on **October 13**.

John Thomas

Fall Social

Enjoy an evening out with IMA! The Tulsa Chapter Institute of Management Accountants would like to invite you to attend our 2009 Membership Social.



Why IMA? Be a part of something great! Come and learn about the exclusive benefits of being an IMA member. Bring a non-member! Each participant that brings a non-member will be entered into our drawing for great prizes!

Light hors d'oeuvres will be served and wine/beer drink tickets will be provided. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to socialize with leaders in the Accounting industry and learn more about the benefits of IMA membership!

Thursday, October 22
5:30PM to 7:30PM

Leon's
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Tulsa, OK 74105

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Future Meetings:

Tues. 11/17/09
Tax Update
Barbara Cuite, Cuite and Associates
Baxter's Interurban, 11:30 am

December
Joint Meeting

Tues. 1/19/10
How to Keep your Employees when the Market Rebounds
Kate Hoback, Addison
Baxter's Interurban, 11:30 am

Visit our website for more information on upcoming meetings