



The Motivator

North Carolina Triangle Area Chapter #406

Institute of Management Accountants

March 2006

March 16, 2006

“State Treasure - Update”

Our Featured Speaker:

Pamela J. Wortham is a native of Goldsboro, NC. She is a Certified Public Accountant and is a graduate of UNC Chapel Hill where she received a Bachelor of Science in 1979. Almost immediately she accepted a position as an auditor with the Office of the State Auditor and was later promoted to the level of Systems Accountant. In 1987, her professional career took her to the accounting office at the Department of Agriculture where she took on a supervisory role as section head. Her duties and responsibilities continued to expand and she remained in this position until accepting a position as Assistant Controller at the Department of State Treasurer in 2001. She was promoted to CFO and Deputy Treasurer of Financial Operations in 2004 and is responsible for the oversight of a staff of 35 and assets in excess of \$75 billion. This awesome responsibility includes the accounting function for all of the State's investments and cash flow for the state of North Carolina and the State's bank that handles all banking transactions for all state agencies and programs and whose asset size makes it the state's 3rd largest bank.

In addition to her professional responsibilities, Pam is also happily married to John Wortham, a full time member of the NC National Guard. They currently reside in Garner and have 3 children ages 15, 11, and 4 at home. They are active members of Garner United Methodist Church.

www.imanctriangle.org

From our Chapter President:

Dear Fellow IMA members:

At our past dinner meeting in February, we hosted a joint event with the local chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors. We greatly appreciate their coming and making the event more interesting for our members to attend. This is our tradition we look forward to every year.

As far as the upcoming happenings go, there are several I would like to talk about. We have invited outstanding, high-caliber guest speakers

Dinner Registration Information

6:00 PM Registration & Social

6:30 PM Dinner

7:15 PM Speaker

9:00 Networking ends and Board meeting begins

Please register on line at our chapter website
<http://www.imanctriangle.org/register.htm>

Directions to Gateway Jazz Café:

- From I-40 Exit 285 (Aviation Parkway)
- Go South (From Durham turn right, from Raleigh turn left).
- Take 1st right at Gateway Centre Boulevard
- Go ~ 1/3 mile on Gateway Centre Blvd, then turn right onto Northgate Court (at the 3500 sign)
- Take 1st left into parking lot. Gateway Jazz Café is located in the far left end of the office building
- If you have any trouble finding the Café, please call Café (919) 863-2233 or Kathy Santos-Rezendes (919) 740-5289

for the next two monthly meetings. You will certainly receive a wealth of knowledge by listening to Pam Wortham, director of Financial Operations for the State Treasurer's office at our March meeting on the 16-th. She will speak on the State Budget's Impact on the Economy.

Our April meeting will feature a renowned expert in the field of Risk Management professor Mark Beasley from the NC State University. He is a nationally recognized figure in his specialty, and it is our privilege and excitement to have him talk to our membership. We encourage everyone to join other IMA members and guests at these events. You will enjoy a company of interesting people and will listen to remarkable expert speakers.

On national and regional levels, we invite you to attend the Carolina Council meeting, its educational, and entertainment events in April in Myrtle Beach, SC. In June, the annual IMA National Conference will open its doors in Las Vegas.

This year, our chapter and Ron Lowell, in particular, organize the event in Myrtle Beach. Ron has done a great job, coordinating the organization. IMA members and non-members alike will find that the educational offerings are up-to-date and pertinent to their jobs. I am proud to mention that my employer will sponsor all finance professional staff in the company to attend the event. I encourage businesses and managers bring their finance teams to the conference. Please visit <http://www.imacarolinascouncil.org/> for detailed

Employment Opportunities – From the Chapter’s Employment Director

The Chapter serves its members by connecting those seeking positions with employers that have positions available. The Chapter’s Director of Employment is Chris McKittrick. For further information or to submit a resume please e-mail

Chris McKittrick at ctm1999@hotmail.com . Check our chapter website for current opportunities.

Plan on our next meeting:

information and registration. Group discounts are available.

As I mentioned, the National Conference will take place in Las Vegas on June 17-21. This annual event is well-run and gives the members unmatched opportunities for learning, networking, and having fun. I hope a lot of you will find it possible to represent our Triangle area in Vegas. Visit the national web-site at <http://www.imaconference.org/> for information and registration.

One of the goals of the IMA and its Triangle chapter is to help our membership obtain the knowledge that can advance them professionally and personally. With many networking and educational events within the next few months, we hope that we are doing a good job achieving the goal.

Enjoy warm spring days! We are looking forward to seeing you.

My sincere regards,
Maksym (Max) Shyshnyak, CMA CFM CPA
IMA Chapter #406 President

Date	Topic/Event	Speaker
April 20, 2006	Enterprise Risk Management <i>CMA/CFM night</i>	Professor Mark Beaseley
May 18, 2006	Accountant’s Role as a Strategic Partner <i>Past Presidents Night</i>	

Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month. Social at 6:00 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm. as follows:

Spring Accounting Conference:

Visit the IMA Carolinas Council website @ <http://www.imacarolinascouncil.org>



CAROLINAS COUNCIL

**Spring Accounting Conference
April 27th & 28th
Ocean Creek Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC**

Check out what IMA is co-sponsoring...by Lea Strickland:

STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLANNING WORKSHOPS: www.focusresourcesinc.com

Setting Up Your Accounting System – The Basics
Grow Your Business – What Business Are You In?
Timekeeping and Reporting
Budgeting
*Managing Your SBIR – Identifying,
Understanding, and Complying with Requirements*

Making and Monitoring Subawards
Understanding Indirect Rates
Grants Management: Understanding Costs
Elements of Business Management Systems

Instructor: Lea A. Strickland, MBA CMA CFM CBM
President & CEO, F.O.C.U.S. Resources
Location: The Castleton Group's Training and Conference Center
4101 Lake Boone Trail, Suite 219, Raleigh, NC
Field of Study: Management
Prerequisites: None
Advanced Preparation: None
Course Level: Basic to Intermediate
Teaching Method: Lecture / Discussion

Disclaimer: The North Carolina Triangle Area Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants is registered with the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners as a sponsor of continuing professional education.

Complaints or comments regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners, PO Box 12827, Raleigh, NC 27605-2827.

Details for CPE registration for our Dinner:

Place: Gateway Jazz Cafe
Prerequisites: None
Level: Basic
Recommended CPE: 1 Hour Dinner Seminar
Advanced Preparation: None
Teaching Method: Lecture / Discussion
Field of Study: Personal Development

The North Carolina Triangle Area Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants is registered with the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners as a sponsor of continuing professional education. Complaints or comments regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners, PO Box 12827, Raleigh, NC 27605-2827.