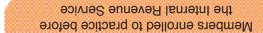
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS and EVENTS

DATE	PROGRAM / EVENT	CPE	SUBJECT	LOCATION
May 17	Dinner Meeting	1 hr	The World of Bankruptcy	Phoenix Club of Anaheim
June 21	Dinner Meeting	2 hrs	Ethics	Phoenix Club of Anaheim
June 27 & 28	Planning Retreat - All members are welcome.			Pala Mesa Resort, Fallbrook
July 9 - Sept 10	Special Enrollment Exam Course (10 Saturdays)			Concordia University, Irvine
July 19	Dinner Meeting	2 hrs	Pass Through Entities	Phoenix Club of Anaheim
November 17 & 18	2 Day Seminar	16 hrs	Fall Update Seminar	Phoenix Club of Anaheim



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QUICKIES
from the

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1 HOUR CPE PROGRAM (CTEC Approved)

The Latest & Greatest in the World of Bankruptcy

Presented by
Jim Demetriou and Charles Rosen

A 10 week class to prepare for the Special Enrollment Exam will begin July 9th. (See page 3).

OCEA ELECTIONS
Election of officers and directors
will be held at the May 17th dinner
meeting.

J im Demetriou, EA prior to entering private practice was with the Collection Division of the Internal Revenue Service for 16 years. During his tenure with the Internal Revenue Service he devised and implemented various tax liability settlement plans and enforcement actions.

Charles Rosen started his 28 year career with the Internal Revenue Service as a Revenue Officer and quickly moved up to Special Procedure Staff in Los Angeles. Later he was appointed as a Bankruptcy Advisor in Los Angeles and later Laguna Niguel.

Both Jim and Chuck have instructed IRS personnel on procedures and are frequent presenters at our dinner meetings. These are men we want on our side advising us tax practitioners. With Offers-in-Compromise taking years to settle, who among us does not question whether bankruptcy is not a better option. Come listen to these experts expound on the wacky world of bankruptcy.

AGENDA May 17th, '05

4:30 Board Meeting

5:30 Social Time 6:00 Dinner Hour

7:00 CPE Program

Meeting Location

Phoenix Club 1340 Sanderson Ave, Anaheim

(57 Freeway to Ball Rd exit, then EAST to Phoenix Club Dr, turn RIGHT to Sanderson Ave)

Wear your name badge and be recognized.



\$30 for pre-registration before 4:00 P.M. on the Friday prior to the dinner meeting; \$35 for on-site registration.

Phone registration to Peggy Ligori, EA at 951-325-8877 or email reservation@eaoc.org (please include your EA number). Peggy will be using last years permanent list for this year, too. If you want to be added to the permanent list, or deleted from it, please contact Peggy.

DINNER MENU

- Mahi Mahi w/ Papaya Tequila Sauce
- Chicken Kabobs Teriyaki
- Steamed White Rice
- Stir Fry Vegetables
- Bay Shrimp Salad
- Garden Green Salad, 2 Dressings
- Fresh Sliced Seasonal Fruit
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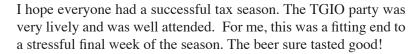
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President



by Bill Geideman, EA





Next up is the IRS E-File roundtable which will be held on May 4, 2005 at the Phoenix club. The IRS has sent out postcard announcements for registration or you can use the form in the newsletter. This is a good forum to hear both federal and state comments regarding E-filing for the current year and future plans. Form 990 is next on the E-file horizon.

The SEE class has been moved from Tustin to Concordia University in Irvine. The class starts on July 9, 2005 and runs up to the exam which is scheduled for September 21 and 22. After nine years in Tustin, the PFF Bank announced it was going to change the room into offices and cancelled all community programs. The Concordia University location gives us a real classroom and plenty of room to accommodate extra students. Last year we turned some away as we exceeded the capacity of the room.

Scholarships for the SEE class are still available. Contact Cathy Patel, EA for applications. Her numbers are on the directors list.

This month are elections for the officers and directors of your chapter for 2005-2006. The list of nominees is printed in this newsletter. All members are eligible for office and nominations will be accepted from the floor at the May meeting. Please come out and vote for your choice to lead the chapter.

If you haven't visited our website lately, I encourage you to go there at www.eaoc.org. Neal Gallaway, EA has done a fantastic job in upgrading and improving the site. Your comments and any suggestions are welcomed by Neal.

~ Bill

TAX TEASER by Dale Larsen, EA

In general which of the following statements is false?

- A. An estate or trust may use the net operating loss not able to be used by the decedent in his
- B. An estate or trust may carry its net operating loss back two years.
- C. If a farming loss, the estate or trust may carry the loss back 5 years.
- D. An estate or trust may elect to carry its net operating loss forward only.



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ANSWER: A

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SLATE of OFFICERS and DIRECTORS - The CLASSIFIEDS for 2005-2006

OCEA's Nominating Committee submits the following slate of Officers and Directors for the Orange County Chapter of Enrolled Agents for the 2005/2006 year. Nominations will be opened from the floor at our May meeting.

PRESIDENT: Lisa Newton, EA

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2nd VICE PRESIDENT: Cathy Patel, EA

SECRETARY: Dan Carlberg, EA

TREASURER: Patty Kappen, EA

CSEA CHAPTER DIRECTOR: Dona Evans, EA

DIRECTOR (choose 5): Ron Lay, EA Neal Gallaway, EA

Debbie Harris, EA Ken Nolan, EA

Coleman Cook, EA Jack Allen, EA Meg Shields, EA

WE NEED YOU!

by Dona Evans, EA

CEA's planning retreat will be held on June 27th and 28th at the Pala Mesa Resort in Fallbrook. We're looking for members to get involved in their chapter by attending this event and be willing to serve on a committee.

The chapter will provide lodging at the Pala Mesa Resort for members who attend the retreat meetings. Meals and entertainment are the responsibility of the members.

Please contact Dona Evans at (714) 838-3616 to reserve your room. The reservation deadline is by the noon hour on May 25th. Special accommodations are available for the physically handicapped.

Anyone interested in playing Golf on Sunday or after the meeting days can contact Pala Mesa Golf Course at (760) 728-5881 and reserve your tee time. Golf rates are \$35 to \$85 depending on the tee time.

The address of the Pala Mesa Resort is 2001 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook.

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Classes will be held at Concordia University in Irvine. The Concordia University location gives us a real classroom environment and plenty of room to accommodate the extra students our program attracts during the final days of registration. Last year we turned away some late registrants because of exceeding the capacity of the room.

The cost for the ten week course is \$550 including the course study materials. Special discounted prices are available for returning students and for those who are taking only one or two parts of the exam. For additional information contact Bill Geideman, EA at (714) 669-0453 or by e-mail at billstaxx@earthlink.net.



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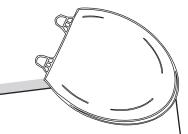
- 2. Establish the facts, determine which facts are relevant, and evaluate the reasonableness of any assymptions you make?
- 3. Relate applicable law to the facts you have determined to be relevant?
- 4. Arrive at conclusions supported by the applicable law and the relevant facts?
- 5. Advise your clients regarding the import of your conclusions, including, for example, whether your client may avoid benalties for a substantial understatement of income tax under section 6662(d) of the Internal Revenue Code if a they act in reliance on your advice?
- 6. Act fairly and with integrity when you practice before the Internal Revenue Service?

If you answered "YES" to each of these questions, congratulate yourself as a federally authorized tax practitioner who follows the aspirational best practices now included in Circular 230 at section 10.33.

This quiz provided by Jean and Bryan Gates, EAs and the American Academy of Tax Practice ... a professional institute devoted to tax practice education developing and sharpening the skills needed by federally authorized tax practitioners who practice before the IRS. Continuing professional education conferences for advanced tax practitioners are held each year in Washington, DC in early August and in Las Vegas, Nevada in early September.

• TAX REMITTANCE for 2004

Here's someone who is really thinking outside of the box!



Internal Revenue Service Department of the Treasury Washington, DC 20001 March 09, 2005

Enclosed is my 2004 Form 1040, together with payment. Please take note of the attached article RE: My Tax Remittance for 2004 from "USA Today" archives. In the article, you will note that the Pentagon paid \$171.50 each for

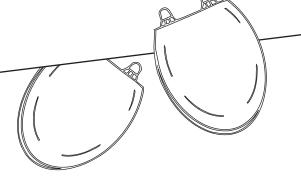
hammers and NASA paid \$600.00 each for toilet seats. Please find enclosed in this package four toilet seats (value \$2,400.00) and six hammers (value

\$1,029.00). This is in payment for my total tax due of \$3,429.00.

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3. If self-employed, do you have other tax preparers on minated by me at any time, or by the Society for non-payment of dues, staff? YES NO failure to meet continuing education requirements*, notification of my 4. How many returns do you prepare a year? suspension from eligibility to practice, or as stipulated in the Bylaws 5. How did you find out about the California Society of and rules of the Society. Enrolled Agents? ☐ An EA ☐ Online ☐ Newspaper ☐ Other I understand and will abide by all applicable provisions of the 6. In what areas of tax do you practice? California Society's Bylaws and the National Association's Code of □ 1040 □ 1041 □ 1065 □ 1120 □ 706 Ethics and Rules of Professional Conduct. 7. Would you like information on becoming an Enrolled ☐ YES ☐ NO Agent? Continuing education requirements are determined by the Nationa Dues are not deductible as a charitable contribution for tax purposes, but may be deductible as a business expense. Society dues include the publication California Enrolled Agent currently published nine times per year. Association and are currently 30 hours per CPE year (2/1 - 1/31). ☐ I would also like to join NAEA (National Association of ID / LICENSE NUMBER Enrolled Agents) for an additional \$160.00. My payment of \$150.00 for the first year's dues is enclosed. Signature (required for all applicants) Charge \$_ to my: ☐ Mastercard ☐ AMEX ■ Visa ☐ Check Enclosed Chapter (If left blank, you will automatically be affiliated with a Chapter) Expiration date Credit Card#

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