

April 2008 Luncheon Meeting Minutes
Submitted by Jennifer McClendon, Chapter Secretary

The Nashville Area Chapter held its monthly meeting at the Nashville City Club on April 3, 2008. President Ann Collett called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m. by welcoming everyone. Ron Anderson offered the invocation.

Ann announced that the draft March Luncheon minutes had been published on the website and a link included in the newsletter. Ann asked if there were any further changes. With no further changes to the minutes, the minutes will stand approved as published.

Ann then thanked everyone for their cooperation in today's mixer luncheon. She wanted to especially thank Jennifer Lewis and Michelle Earhart for organizing the mixer and working the door.

Next Ann briefly introduced today's guest speaker, Linda Biek. Ann introduced her guest, Michael Bryant Chief Financial Officer of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA). Ann also introduced member guests and new members.

Robbie Hunter, Program Committee Co-Chair, introduced Linda Biek, Director of Governmental, International, and Professional Relationships for NASBA. The title of Ms. Biek's presentation was, "Issues Emerging on the State, Federal, and International Horizon." Ann Collett thanked Ms. Biek for speaking with us today and announced that a donation will be made in her name to the Center for the Public Trust.

Ann then asked for those who were making announcements today to make their way to the front of the room.

Robbie Hunter, Program Committee Co-Chair, announced AGA Day at the Nashville Zoo. This will be on May 3rd. Children ages 3 to 12 will cost \$4 and children over 12 and adults will cost \$7. Please contact Hellens Kruszynski to make your reservation. The chapter needs 20 people to participate in order to get the discount.

Donna Jewel, Education Committee Co-Chair, announced that today's luncheon was a CPE event. There will be one more CPE event this year, an audio conference from 1-3 p.m. on May 14th.

Deborah Loveless, 30th Anniversary Gala Committee Chair, reported that the 30th Anniversary Gala will be held on May 9th at the Musicians Hall of Fame. Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. and a buffet dinner will begin at 7 p.m. There will be charter members, past presidents, National and Regional representatives in attendance. Awards will be presented and officers installed. There will also be music, videos, door prizes, etc. The cost is \$15 per member and each member can bring 1 guest.

Britt Wood, Membership Co-Chair, presented the February goody bag drawing. Hellens Kruszynski was awarded the bag. Britt also announced if you paid your dues by March 31 you were entered into a drawing for \$50 to be given at the gala. You do not have to be present to win. The member who sponsored the most new member this year will win 2 Universal Studios passes and \$100. Everyone who sponsored a new member this year will be placed into a drawing for \$100.

Ann extended thanks to the Meetings and Attendance Committee:
Joe Kimery for organizing the monthly luncheons;
Suzanne Sawyers for organizing the monthly CEC meetings;
Tammy Fruscione for preparing the monthly agendas;
Penny Austin for organizing our nametags each month;
And Ron Anderson for the monthly puzzles.

Ann also thanked Dan Willis and Nathan Abbott for their assistance with all electronic devices and the website.

Robbie Hunter and Hellens Kruszynski were thanked for recruiting great speakers through the program year.

Ann thanked Jennifer McClendon for taking the minutes at all of the CEC meetings and monthly luncheons.

Ann thanked the Finance Committee, Mary Anne Queen and Angela McElrath-Prosser for ensuring there is someone at the door to collect money each month.

Ann thanked Terry Mason for making all of the chapter deposits and reconciling the financial statements each month.

Ann reminded everyone about the Habitat for Humanity Project on Saturday and told those participating to see Britt Wood for a t-shirt. If you are interested in the New Orleans Habitat for Humanity project, see Ann or Jennifer Lewis.

Ann reminded everyone of the Country Music Marathon and noted that there are volunteer opportunities during the week leading up to the marathon. Contact Jennifer McClendon if you are interested in volunteering.

Ann also reminded everyone that today is the Early Career Fair at the Library.

The door prize was awarded to Ron Hickman and Ron Anderson presented the puzzle solution.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:15 p.m.