



Golden West Council

IMA Golden West Council Newsletter



Only a Few Weeks Left

....before the 2002 REST.

Were you unable to attend the REST due to the conflict with Super Bowl parties? You are in luck. The Super Bowl date has been changed, but not the REST.

The Golden West Council and the Pacific Northwest Council are co-sponsoring a REST (Reno Education Seminar and Training) January 24-26, 2002 at the Atlantis Resort and Casino in Reno, Nevada. Here is your chance to catch some CPE and relax with your friends. .

The REST has been a very popular annual event and this year we are striving to provide excellent speakers. Returning once again we will have Ron Rael, speaking on Risk Management and Leadership, Earl Littrel on Revenue Recognition issues, and George



Winter at Lake Tahoe

Schilling on Working Capital Management and Applied Project Management. Cecil Jackson will be presenting on Financial Accounting and Managerial Accounting Updates. New to the REST are David Araldi and Tony Jones of Robert Half Int.. They will be presenting on Career Audit, and Next Generation Accountant.

Don't be discouraged by the problems with the on-line registration. FAX your registration now.

See you in Reno!

Update on Changes in Chapter Reimbursement

The Member Services Committee has been busy on a "road show" presenting the new Performance Model for chapters. They have completed presenting the model to

all councils. The general reception has been very good. The new model is designed to reimburse chapters for supporting the IMA mission of Education, Membership and Cer-

tification. The next step will be a vote by the IMA Board of Directors in February. Any changes would be in effect for the new year starting June 1, 2002.

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Secret Tip!!

The downturn in the economy has made the room rates in Reno a real bargain. Check the Internet for great deals. Just let us know if you stay at the Atlantis, so we can get credit for your room to meet the minimum occupied rooms.



2002 Annual Conference - San Diego

The 2002 IMA Annual conference will be held next June in San Diego. This 83rd Annual Conference, *Strategic Finance: New Trends, New Technologies* features a new program format. The conference officially opens on Saturday afternoon, June 22, with roundtable discussions, general sessions and the association's annual meeting, and will officially close on Tuesday evening, June 25 with the Annual Dinner. Wednesday, June 26 will include more opportunity for continuing education credits with optional sessions and the IMA Golf Tournament.

The 2002 San Diego Website with more information and CONTESTS is:

<http://web.imanet.org/ac2002/default1.htm>

The conference hotel is the
Town and Country Resort & Convention Center,
500 Hotel Circle North
San Diego, CA 92108
(619) 291-7131
www.towncountry.com



Amador Valley Chapter..We're Back...

By Kathy Schmitz

After 1-1/2 years of inactive status, three Amador Valley members are leading the chapter back to life! Robert Hulin, Tricia Scalzo, and Scott Schimberg met with National VP Donna-Fay Bower and Regional Director Kathy Schmitz twice to discuss revitalization efforts, what local IMA members want and need from their chapter, and the challenges facing their chapter. The trio's enthusiastic vision led to a chapter-wide revitalization meeting on November 28, at which the members present voted to return to active status and to elect the three to positions of President, Secretary, and VP of Administration, respectively, as well as to elect Sherry Morse as Treasurer. The meeting generated good discussion of the time challenges facing all IMA members, the need and desire for a chapter in the Amador Valley area, and the plan to start slowly with just four technical meetings in 2002 with high quality speakers and topics, and build from there. Golden West Council President Dodi Monti was there to applaud and encourage the new chapter leadership and members wishing to rebuild their chapter.

With simple good attendance the Board's first goal,

Amador Valley members are encouraged to come, bring guests, network, and enjoy the four technical meetings and other chapter events (such as joint meetings and educational opportunities with other chapters). Plans also include enhancing chapter communications by using postcard notifications and e-mail "blasts" to members to remind them of upcoming events, and eventually having a chapter web site with up-to-date information.

The revitalized Amador Valley Chapter's first technical meeting will be:

Wednesday, January 16, 2002 at FAZ Pleasanton
The speaker will be the CFO of Wente Brothers.
Cost for dinner will be \$29. Please call Robert Hulin @ (510) 304 - 1406 for times and reservations.

Upcoming GWC Council Meetings

The next Golden West Council Meeting will be held on Saturday January 26, 2002 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in Reno.

The location is the Atlantis Resort Casino, and will be held following the REST.



Nominations for all Board positions and open Regional Directors will be taken at this meeting. This is your opportunity to volunteer for Council service. If you would like to be on next years

board, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee:

Greg Meldahl (gmeldahl@bofasecurities.com)

Dodi Monti(tomndodi@garlic.com)

Donna-Fay Bower (dfb@cpuc.ca.gov).

Among the decisions to be made at this meeting will be:

Should we publish a Roster next year.

and

Should we sponsor the REST next year?

Your attendance is welcome and encouraged.

The spring meeting will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2002 in Pleasanton after the Leadership Training. Robert Half International has generously donated the use of their conference facility and will be providing lunch. Details on the speakers will published in the next newsletter.



Reserve May 4, 2002 on your calendar.

Robert Half International Inc.



Fall 2001 GWC Council Meeting



The fall GWC Council Meeting was held on October 6, 2001 in Sacramento. A wonderful Mexican Taco Salad lunch and view of Sacramento was enjoyed at the Hilton Restaurant. The meeting was coordinated by Jacqui Anderson, President of the Sacramento Chapter. The minutes for that meeting are attached to this newsletter.

GWC President Dodi Monti presented the proposal for the revised Chapter Performance Model. This presentation is being given to all councils in the country to gather input for revisions. The presentation was followed by a question and answer session.



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