

## December 19<sup>th</sup> CPE Luncheon

**Chas Craig, CPA – Financial Analyst.** Chas joined Pinnacle Holdings three years ago in October of 2010. Since joining the firm his primary responsibilities have included the analysis and trading of short and intermediate term investment grade fixed income securities, high yield convertible securities and equities ranging from master limited partnerships (MLPs) to small cap banks.

## No News is Good News?

During a recent search of accountants in the news nothing was found – this means currently there is no Enron-like happenings, unfortunately it also means we are not getting out there and helping our community.

As accountants and CPA's we should be a force in our community. We should be volunteering time, giving resources, anything that we have including a bit of our valued free-time needs to be donated to helping Tulsa become a better place to live.

The Tulsa Chapter is no exception, we need volunteers. We need people who can spare the time to help with the newsletter, the CPE luncheons, and volunteers to speak for CPE events such as clusters. We know your time is valuable and in less than a month it will be in short supply, but while you have the time please take the time to give back to those who help you throughout the year.

Chas Craig, CPA – Speaker at the December 19<sup>th</sup> CPE Luncheon..



## A New Year's Letter to Members

CPAs are responsible to their profession, responsible to their clients and companies, responsible to their communities, families and themselves.

Being a member of the Tulsa Chapter also makes you a *distinct part of a whole* and a place where *you can make a difference*.

As we ring in the New Year, please take some time to reflect on how you can make a difference in 2014. Think about how you would chose to enhance the public image of the profession; spring-board ideas, activities or programs throughout the community; and get or provide training to chapter members to fill positions in local, state and national organizations.

Then, let's do it!! We can work together we can make an impact, just contact any member of the board.

*Happy Holidays from TCOSCPA*



Wishing you and yours a joyous Christmas and Happy New Year. And reminding you to be safe a responsible in all your endeavors.

**“WHAT I DON'T LIKE ABOUT  
OFFICE CHRISTMAS PARTIES IS  
LOOKING FOR A JOB THE NEXT  
DAY.”...PHYLLIS DILLER**



TULSA CHAPTER OF OSCPA  
Cordially Invites You to Help

## TULSA WOMEN & CHILDREN'S CENTER

Needed:

Unwrapped toys for children ages 0-12

BRING ALL DONATIONS TO:  
CPE LUNCHEONS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER OR DROP OFF AT MILAM & ASSOC -  
7030 S YALE, SUITE 300

If you would like us to pick up toys please contact us at [admin@tcoscpa.org](mailto:admin@tcoscpa.org)  
Cash donations may be mailed to TCOSCPA - Toy Drive, P.O. Box 470243, Tulsa, OK 74147

The Center is a long term treatment center where children are able to stay with their mothers during treatment. Please see the attached list of needs.



## Holiday Hope

The Tulsa Chapter has been on the OSCPA's charge for Holiday Hope. Our Charity of choice is the Tulsa Women and Children's Center. This center needs toys and games, clothes. Things for Women and Children (Children 0-12) to make their holiday brighter.

Women come to the center for intensive residential rehab, they are allowed to keep their children with them. This is a unique facility and one we wish to help as much as possible. So far we have managed to collect some un-wrapped toys but we need much more help!

Please bring any new un-wrapped toy to the CPE Luncheon on Thursday or to Steve Milam's office on Yale or Kama Rheuark's office at 166<sup>th</sup> & Pine. If you cannot reach these places please contact [admin@tcoscpa.org](mailto:admin@tcoscpa.org) and arrangements will be made to pick things up.

As always cash is a great help as well and those donations can be mailed to TCOSCPA - Toy Drive, PO Box 470243, Tulsa, OK 74147.

Please hurry - there are only 12 days until Christmas!!!!

And thank you to everyone for all their help!

“Why is Christmas just like a day at the office? You do all the work and the fat guy with the suit gets all the credit.” -

**Unknown**

## News from the OSCP

**A NOTE FROM YOUR OSCP STAFF:** *The OSCP Offices will be closed December 24-25, 2013 and January 1, 2014. We hope you have a wonderful holiday!*

**Are you evolving with us?** The OSCP's new exclusive member benefit, [Evolve](#), has been off to a great start! If you've got a question that you can't find an answer to or if you just need the advice of your peers, start a conversation in our Open Forum. Evolve links you to 6,000+ CPAs and the more you participate, the more you get back. [Check it out today!](#)

**Daryl has only a few more PIUs left; are you registered?** Find out what is shaping the profession's future and what you need to do to keep up with the trends. These events are open to all OSCP members and their staff and each is recommended for three hours of CPE credit. [Take a look at our 2013 schedule and sign up today!](#)

**The [2013 Oklahoma Tax Institute](#) begins this Thursday, December 5!** You can earn up to 16 hours of recommended CPE credit and approved CLE credit, including two hours of CLE ethics at the Oklahoma Tax Institute, December 5-6 in Tulsa. Special bonus: Attendees will receive a FREE 2013 RIA Tax Handbook and will be entered to win a Kindle Fire. *Can't make it to Tulsa?* [Webcasts are available again this year!](#)

**Get your kicks on Route 66 at the last OSCP conference of 2013!** The OSCP's **CPE Blowout**, [December 11-12](#) in Tulsa and [December 12-13](#) in Oklahoma City, showcases 16 hours of recommended CPE credit in ethics, compilation, tax, technology, auditing and more. All attendees will have a chance to win a kickin' POPS gift basket – your next CPE adventure awaits!

**Our first-ever Young Accounting Professionals Conference is 29 percent full!** Hone your leadership skills and be entered for a chance to win a trip to Walt Disney World® Resort in Orlando, Fla. by registering for the OSCP's inaugural event, the Young Accounting Professionals [Growing Leaders: Leadership Conference](#), January 9 at Vast in Oklahoma City. Be a part of this ground-breaking event, featuring the magic of Lee Cockerell, retired and inspired Walt Disney World® Resort executive. Space is limited; [reserve your seat today!](#)

**Are you ready for some Vern?** Get the latest in fast-breaking new tax developments affecting individuals, estates, businesses, partnerships and corporations. Vern will return again to Oklahoma City, January 13-14, for his [Two-Day Federal Tax Update](#) featuring cutting-edge tax planning strategies.

**Now is the time to start thinking about honoring an exceptional CPA in your chapter area!** All OSCP chapters are eligible to choose a Distinguished C.P.A. Award winner each year. Awards will be presented at the 2014 Annual Members Meeting. All chapters are encouraged to choose a recipient for their chapter's [Distinguished C.P.A. Award](#) and submit the winner's nomination form to the OSCP. Email Chapter Liaison, [Alisha Loper](#), for more information.

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