



Chapter 347

May 2006 Newsletter

Message from the President

April showers are bringing May Flowers, but will you get to our next breakfast? The final meeting of the year is coming up on May 18th. Less than a week away by the time you get this.

In April, we celebrated people with long careers in accounting and those just starting out – our Accounting Executive of the Year was awarded to Mr. James C. Sparrow, Partner with Rankin, Rankin & Company CPAs. Our Accounting Student of the Year was awarded to Ms. Megan Perry, NKU Student and Student Chapter President. Two award recipients that reflect that excellence of the accounting profession, past and future. If you know either, remember to congratulate them.

We start the planning for our new year in only a few weeks. If you are interested in giving your 2 cents worth, (I think with inflation, it is now 9 cents worth), please send me your thoughts and ideas for what you want the chapter to do – either more of, or less of. All things are on the table.

This month, we will be trying something new and different for accounting groups. We will focus on getting to know each other, what issues we are dealing with, and hopefully identifying resources for you to use through the IMA, but also the chapter as a network, so I hope you can attend and I ask that you bring someone you know who could benefit from a membership in the IMA, with you to the last meeting of the year.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard W. Sammons".

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Richard W. Sammons
President, Northern Kentucky Chapter of the IMA

May Meeting Details

The meeting format is very different from our usual evening, dinner meetings. This meeting will be held at Perkins Restaurant, in Highland Heights, and it will be a breakfast meeting. The meeting begins at 7:30 am.

Our meal will be the Magnificent Seven breakfast: 3 pancakes, two eggs, 2 strips of bacon or sausage, small juice & coffee/tea.

The directions to Perkins are:

I-471 South until it terminates and becomes US 27. Go through the first stop-light, and at the second stop-light, turn left. Turn left immediately to go by the BP station and into Perkins.

An RSVP form and meeting information appears late in this newsletter. You can reserve a spot at the meeting simply by e-mailing Loretta Gilbert at gilbert.ll@pg.com.

2005 – 2006 Remaining Meeting Schedule

Month	Date	Meeting Time	Location	Topic/Event	Speaker
May	5/18/5	7:30-9 AM	Perkins – Highland Heights	Networking	Each Attendee

REMINDER

IMA 87th ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPO JUNE 17-21, 2006 LAS VEGAS RIO ALL-SUITE HOTEL

For goal-minded strategic thinkers like you, The IMA Conference provides a comprehensive opportunity to acquire career-advancing expertise in a broad range of disciplines. This year, take advantage of a Conference program that's more focused than ever:

Improved educational sessions and speakers. Learn from the foremost experts in management accounting and financial management.

Essential information. Topics and sessions provide valuable skills and address the timely and relevant issues that are impacting our business today.

Hands-on training. Attend Pre-Conference Workshops and new Computer Training sessions for in-depth practical instruction.

CPE credits. Set yourself apart by taking advantage of CPE accreditation. 31 credits are available at the regular conference, as well as 8 pre-conference workshop credits.

Career opportunities. Position yourself for long-term success by acquiring critical skills and knowledge in your area of expertise. Plus, network with colleagues and connect with key industry players.

Innovative products and services. Visit the Exposition to find new resources that can help your organization perform at the highest levels of efficiency.

Whether you're a senior-level executive or a rising financial professional, this Conference will provide you with the tools to set yourself apart as a strategic management accounting professional. **Plan now to attend**

For more information, see: <http://www.imaconference.org>

Additional Benefits for Northern Kentucky Chapter Members

NORTHERN KENTUCKY/GLEIM IMA CHAPTER PARTNERSHIP

If you have not signed up for the Xavier CMA review course, you can get your review materials from Gleim. The Northern Kentucky IMA Chapter has entered into a partnership with Gleim to ensure your success on the CMA/CFM exams! We are working together to provide you with the necessary tools that you need to prepare for these difficult exams.

Gleim provides CMA/CFM candidates with an extensive self-study course for both the old and new CMA/CFM exams. Our most successful candidates use the Complete CMA System with the Online Course. This system combines books, software, audio reviews, the Online Course, and a personal counselor (a real live person!) to maximize your available study time.

Because of your membership in the Northern Kentucky Chapter, you are eligible for significant discounts on any of Gleim's CMA/CFM materials, as well as our Online CPE. In addition, members can purchase CPA/CIA/EA materials at discounts too!

To take advantage of the discounts that are offered, contact Chris Handley at (800) 874-5346 ext. 134. or (chris.handley@gleim.com) and identify yourself as a Northern Kentucky Chapter member.

Membership Information

Is your membership information current? If not, you can update your personal and business information on the IMA National website at www.imanet.org. Alternatively, the National office can be contacted at 800-638-4427. It is important to keep your contact information up to date, since we use this information to keep you informed of Chapter activities and events.



May 2006 Meeting

WHEN: **May 18, 2006** 7:30 am – 9:00 am (Lunch)

WHERE: **At Perkins in Highland Heights, KY**

SPEAKER: Each one of you.

TOPIC: Me, my business - what I need and what I know!!!

A chance to build relationships in business for the benefit of your business

COST: \$10 for members \$12 for non-members, \$7 for students.

DIRECTIONS: I-275 East or West, take the Highland Heights, US 27 exit. Go south on US 27 to the second red light. Turn left, and then left again to pass by the BP station and into the Perkins parking lot.

RESERVATIONS: **Make your reservation via e-mail to: gilbert.11@pg.com or mail the form below**

(Deadline for reservations is May 16 to get an accurate headcount to Perkins)

Northern Kentucky IMA RSVP for May 18, 2006 Meeting

MEMBER/GUEST NAME(S): _____

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES: **Members/Guests** _____ **Student:** _____

Send RSVP to:
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