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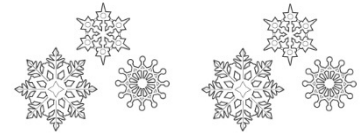
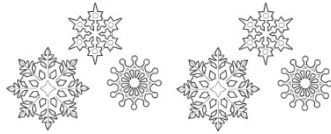
**Next General Meeting &
Luncheon Time, Date, Location:**

Tuesday, December 10th
Lunch Check-in: 11:30 AM
Lunch: 12:00 PM

Denver Marriott City Center
1701 California Street
Denver, CO 80202

**Board of Directors
Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, December 10th
@ 10:30 AM
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President's Message



Our December luncheon will be on December 10th at the Marriott City Center, downtown Denver. Online registration is currently open. If you are having issues logging into your account, please contact Leanna Howell by emailing her at membership@copascaloradolorado.org.

The season of sharing is upon us, and as an organization, we like to be a beneficial organization by giving back to the community we operate in. This year, we have again selected to sponsor a gift drive to benefit the patients of Children's Hospital Colorado during our December Holiday Luncheon. Through your annual donations, the Hospital is able to help make the Holiday Season, Birthdays, and other special events memorable for patients and families going through difficult times. Please remember that the Hospital requests donations are new items in original packaging to avoid any infection issues, and that they are especially in need of gifts for newborns, infant/toddlers and adolescents. If you are having a difficult time shopping, Gift Cards are more than welcome!

Happy Holidays!

Brent Bachmeyer

2013-2014 COPAS-Colorado President



General Meeting & Luncheon

December 10, 2013 12:00 PM

There will be no speaker at the December 10th luncheon. We will be celebrating 2013 and welcoming 2014 at our annual holiday luncheon. The event will be full of holiday joy and an opportunity to network with each other, as well as partake in some fabulous Marriott food.

You will be sent a registration confirmation immediately following your online registration submission. Please ensure you check the box, "Will attend Luncheon" or you will not receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive the confirmation, and you registered (but perhaps typed in your email incorrectly) or would like to register, please notify Pat Lytle at meeting@copascolorado.org immediately. You will be added, space permitting. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. and lunch starts at 12:00 p.m. The registration table will not be open for check-in until 11:30 a.m.

Web-site registration for the meeting closes on Wednesday, December 4th. - www.copascolorado.org/meetingregistration.html. Refer to side-bar on page 1 of this newsletter for meeting location.

* Please ensure your IT department allows e-mails from info@copascolorado.org. If these e-mail addresses are blocked you will not receive the automatic confirmation.



OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE AT THIS MONTH'S HOLIDAY LUNCHEON!!

Children's Hospital Colorado Holiday Wish List

COPAS-Colorado will collect gifts for Children's Hospital at our December 10, 2013 holiday luncheon. Our members have been very supportive and generous in the past. The Hospital is in need of various items in all cost ranges. Please bring unwrapped gifts or gift cards to the luncheon – there will be volunteers collecting these outside the meeting room.

To better assist you with decisions regarding donations, please keep in mind:

1. Due to infection control guidelines for all patients, the Hospital cannot accept used items.
2. Items need to be in their original packaging.
3. The Hospital cannot accept toys that depict violence.
4. Newborns, infants/toddlers, and adolescents are the age groups in greatest need.
5. The Hospital cannot accept the following items: Food Products, Potted Plants, or Latex Balloons.



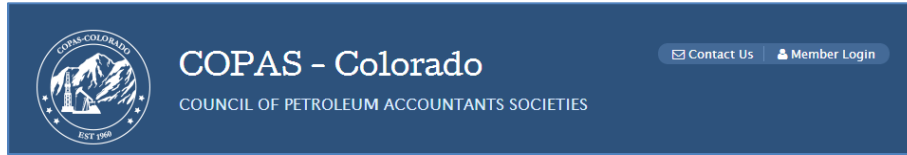
COPAS-Colorado appreciates your support of this great organization. Happy Holidays!

A complete Wish List is available at <http://www.childrenscolorado.org/File%20Library/Donate%20Volunteer/Wish-List-Ongoing.pdf>.

Technical Session – There will be NO Tech Session in December

Registration Changes

IMPORTANT: Please note that beginning with the November 2013 Luncheon and Technical Session, you are required to log into the COPAS-Colorado website in order to register. To log in, you will click the Member Login button in the top right corner of the COPAS-Colorado webpage. Once you have logged into your account, you will then be able to register for the luncheon as usual. Please note that only paid members will have access to their accounts.



If you have forgotten your username or password, you will be able to use the Forgot Username or Password link on the login page:

The image shows a web form titled 'Forgot Password or Username'. It has two sections. The first section is 'Forgot Password' and contains a label 'Username' followed by a text input field. The second section is 'Forgot Username' and contains a label 'Email' followed by a text input field. Below the second section is a small note: 'If you no longer have access to the email you used to sign up, please contact the membership coordinator at membership@copascaloradolorado.org to reset your login.'

Once you have logged on to the site, you can select Meeting Registration from the Member Tools box, or enter the web address <http://copascaloradolorado.org/meetingregistration.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Hendershot, the Communications Coordinator, at communications@copascaloradolorado.org.

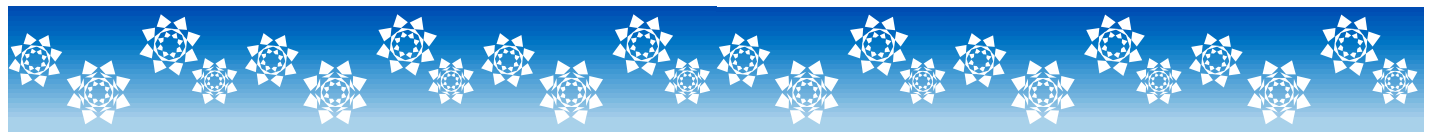
HOW TO CONTACT COPAS-COLORADO CHAIRS AND BOARD MEMBERS



COPAS-COLORADO DIRECTORY Please go to <http://copascaloradolorado.org/board.html> for a comprehensive listing of the current board, or see the side-bar on page 1 of this newsletter. Please go to <http://copascaloradolorado.org/committees/> for a comprehensive listing of the current committees and chair contact information, or see the sidebar on pages 5 through 7 of this newsletter.

MEET THE PRESS

If you would like to let members know of current events, news, or submit an article for the next edition of COPAS-COLORADO NEWS please contact **Meghan Hendershot**, 2013-20214 COPAS-Colorado Communications' Coordinator, at communications@copascaloradolorado.org.



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Committee Reports

Please note: the Tax, Financial Reporting, and New Professionals committees strive to offer one hour of CPE at each of their meetings. For more information, contact the committee chairperson for details.

Education

The 2014 Education Day is scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2014. The Education Committee met on November 14th to continue the planning process for the 2014 Education Day. The 2014 theme is "Perfect Your Oil & Gas Elevator Speech." We are all too aware of the bad press our industry sometimes receives. Let's begin to prepare ourselves to defend the efforts our industry takes to responsibly provide for our energy needs. We are in the process of discussing topics and potential speakers. We encourage you to attend our next meeting and participate in the process.

In an effort to develop awareness of the career possibilities in the oil and gas industry for new accountants, COPAS-Colorado will once again be awarding four \$1,000 college scholarships for the 2014-2015 academic year. We are visiting several area college campuses to get the word out about the industry, COPAS-Colorado and the scholarships.

Eide Bailly is sponsoring our next Education Committee meeting, which will be at 12:00 pm on Thursday, December 12th. For convenience, the meeting will be held at SM Energy Company, 1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1200, Denver. Please RSVP to the Committee Co-Chairs at Education@copascalorodo.org if you are interested in attending.

Financial Reporting

Thanks to all those who were able to make it to our last meeting! We had a great meeting at SM Energy, where Opportune presented on business valuations, and talked through some of the nuances related to O&G. It was a great meeting with some really good participation from the group, and we want to especially thank Opportune and SM Energy for helping out!

Your next chance to become enlightened as related to the world of Financial Reporting will be on Thursday, December 19th. We are going to have the amazing opportunity to learn about and discuss reserves, which should help us as we begin to prepare for year end! It's going to be a great occasion to talk with reserve engineers and get insight into an area that has been getting a lot of attention from the SEC. So come one and all, and join us for lunch at EKS&H as we prepare for a great year end!

Joint Interest/Audit

The JI Audit committee is requesting your company host a future meeting. Please contact Lynn Lybrand or Juanita Vela. No meetings will be held in December, 2013 or January, 2014. The JI Audit committee will be hosting the February, 2014 Tech Session. We wish everyone a safe Holiday Season.

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New Professionals

Mark your calendars for the COPAS-Colorado New Professionals Committee Holiday Happy Hour! We will celebrate the holidays on December 17th with a happy hour at a location to be determined at which we will collect food pantry items for a local pantry. Stay tuned for more details!

Revenue Committee

The following represents our tentative schedule:

- **Monday, December 9, 2013** – The meeting will be held at the offices of SM Energy from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on the 15th floor of 1775 Sherman Street. SM Energy will provide the lunch. Roundtable discussion on relevant topics of interest to members.
- **Thursday, January 16, 2014** – There will be no meeting; we will have a Burrito Bar at the offices of Encana on the 40th floor of the Republic Plaza from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, February 13, 2014** – The meeting will be held at the offices of Anadarko from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Anadarko will provide the lunch. Topic and speaker to be determined.
- **Tuesday, March 11, 2014** – Oildex will provide the lunch. Topic, speaker and location to be determined.
- **April 2014** – Lunch provided by Sundance Energy. Topic, date, speaker and location to be determined.
- **May 2014** - Discussion by the Revenue co-chairs regarding topics from the Spring 2014 COPAS National meeting in Glendale, Arizona. Date, location and lunch to be determined.

The Revenue Committee is asking for companies to volunteer hosting the meetings and/or lunches for the open meeting dates. Please contact any of the co-chairs if your company can help.

Tax

The next meeting of the Tax Committee will be held Thursday, December 5th at 7:30 AM at the Courtyard by Marriott on the 16th Street Mall. We will have a presentation on the Texas Gross Margin Tax.

Technology

The next meeting of the Technology Committee will be on Tuesday, January 28th. Kelley Wilson with Full Circle Data Services will be presenting. Additional details for the meeting will be provided in the January newsletter.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

COPAS MPACT JV Energy Education

We are pleased to announce a new joint venture! The COPAS MPACT JV is the resource for upstream and midstream accounting education. COPAS is an organization of over 3,600 members and 800 companies and has 50 years of experience in providing model forms, accounting guidelines, and interpretations upon which the industry relies.

MPACT has assimilated years of industry experience and resources to provide knowledge-based educational seminars and workshops. Classes can be arranged at your company office, COPAS Society locations, and pre-designated sites.

To register for any COPAS MPACT JV class, please go to <http://www.copasmpact.com/home>.

PDI Energy Classes

For a complete list of upcoming classes, please contact PDI.

PDI is registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors. State boards of accountancy have final authority on the acceptance of individual courses for CPE credit. Concerns regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the National Registry of CPE Sponsors, 150 Fourth Avenue North, Suite 700, Nashville, TN, 37219-2417. Web Site: www.nasba.org

General PDI Contact Information
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See 'On-site Programs'

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To register for any PDI class, please go to <http://energy.pdi.org>, click on "View Entire Calendar" and select the class. For more information, please send a note to jhoffman@pdi.org

COPAS-COLORADO GENERAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON SCHEDULE @ 12:00 PM

Registration begins at 11:30 AM

Meeting Day	Meeting Date	Speaker	Topic
Tuesday	December 10	N/A	2013 Holiday Party
Tuesday	January 14	Boyd Russell, Energy Navigator	Unconventional Plays - New Opportunities, New Challenges
Wednesday	February 12	W. Anderson Bishop, CFO Hallador Energy Company	Misguided War on Coal
Thursday	March 13	Tim Wigley, President Western Energy Alliance	TBD
TBD	April TBD	Natalie Mullis Chief Economist, State of Colorado	Colorado Economic Update
Tuesday	May 6	Various	Education Day

COPAS-COLORADO TECH SESSION SCHEDULE @ 10:30 AM

Meeting Date	Speaker	Topic	Hosting Committee
January 14, 2013	Phillip Hilsher	Accounting and Financial Reporting Update	Technology
February 12, 2013	Tim O'Bryne	APA Exam	Jl/Audit
March 13, 2013	TBD	TBD	Financial Reporting
April 2013 – TBD	TBD	TBD	Tax

COPAS-COLORADO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Board meetings are open to COPAS-Colorado members by RSVP – please contact Brent Bachmeyer if you would like to attend.

Meeting Date	Location
December 10, 2013	Marriott City Center – 10:30 AM
January 2014 – April 2014	TBD

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Refer to pages 4 through 5 of this newsletter for more detailed meeting and committee information.

Committee	Next Meeting Date	Time	Location / Host
Education	December 12	12:00pm	SM Energy 1775 Sherman, Suite 1200
Financial Reporting	December 19	12:00pm	EKS&H 7979 E Tufts Ave
Joint Interest/Audit	N/A	N/A	N/A
New Professionals	December 17	TBD	TBD
Revenue	December 9	11:30am	SM Energy 1775 Sherman, Suite 1200
Tax	December 5	7:30 AM	Courtyard by Marriott 16th Street Mall
Technology	January 28	11:30am	Republic Plaza Conference Room – Concourse Level