

**California Society of Tax Consultants  
San Diego Chapter Newsletter • May 2010**

***Dinner Meeting***

**Date** Thursday, May 20, 2010

**Where** ***NEW DINNER LOCATION***

Mission Valley Resort  
875 Hotel Circle SOUTH  
Mission Valley, San Diego  
(More information on page 3.)

**Times** 5:00 p.m. Registration & Social  
5:30 p.m. Speaker  
6:30 p.m. Social/Dinner Setup  
7:00 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. Speaker continues

**Cost** \$27 - Members with Reservations  
\$32 - All Others

**Menu**

- Chicken Breast Chardonnay
- Dessert, Chef's choice
- Choice of Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea
- **Vegetarian Meal Is Available**

**Requests must be made with reservation**

**\*\*\*\*\* PRE PAY BY 5/20/10--\$150.00\*\*\*\*\***

**RESERVATIONS**

Deadline is Noon, Wednesday, May 19th, 2010

On line at [www.cstcsandiego.org/is-res.htm](http://www.cstcsandiego.org/is-res.htm),  
or call 619 698-0508, or

Email Rose Carter at [racarter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:racarter@sbcglobal.net).

Leave your name, number of reservations,  
and your telephone number.

If you require a Vegetarian Meal, your request must  
be made when you make your reservation.

**Confirmation** of your on-line dinner reservation  
will be emailed to you within 72 hours. Reservations  
made on a Thursday are scheduled to be confirmed  
the following Monday. If you do not receive a  
confirmation please call (619) 698-0508

**EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION**

Before & After Dinner

*Topic*

**ETHICS**



*Speaker*

**ALBERT CRUZ, EA**

Albert Cruz is an Enrolled Agent who has a long career in doing income taxes, working at Intuit as a Tax Analyst Programmer and now teaching at the college level. He provides online and onsite courses in computer ethics, information systems and information technology management. He also teaches tax preparation at ITT Technical institute.



**CTEC 1000-CE-2904**

**(2 FEDERAL CREDIT HOURS)**

This presentation has been designed to meet the requirements of the Director of Practice of the Internal Revenue Service, the California State Board of Accountancy, the International Board of Standards and Practices for Certified Financial Planners, Inc. The California Tax Education Council has recognized the California Society of Tax Consultants as an approved curriculum provider. Successful completion of this course may be reported to fulfill the (continuing education/qualifying education) requirement of the California Business & Professions, Code Sections 22250-22259. This does not constitute an endorsement by the California Tax Education Council, or any of the other above named agencies, as to the quality of the course or its contribution to the professional competence of the speaker.

**NO-SHOW DINNER RESERVATIONS**

**BILLING POLICY**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

At last we can nearly breathe again after tax season, and maybe have some rest and relaxation. I am sure that most of us had many sleepless nights and long days.

I am hoping that this year we can grow our organization and introduce new members. We have so many benefits in belonging to what I consider to be a great organization. Each one of us is always ready to help with a difficult problem, or refer to another member who may be more knowledgeable in the area in question. If you have colleagues in your office please encourage them to become members.

The dinner meetings are a great place to network and have excellent speakers. Much valuable information can be had at these meetings as well as the camaraderie that is always there.

Again I am asking you members to start thinking about joining committees and becoming board members. Most of the board members have held these positions for many years and it really is time for new blood and new thoughts on which direction we are to proceed to keep this organization up to scratch in this age of technology.

If you are interested in joining a committee or serving on the board please contact any one of the board members, who will be more than willing to lead you in the right direction. All our telephone numbers are listed in the newsletter.

Greta Ward, Chapter President

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## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Please help the Postal Service erase their \$200 million debt by buying the Forever Stamp now before the rates go up in May 2011.

## WE REMEMBER



### ROBERT REDDING

Robert M. Redding, former member of CSTC, died on December 19th of complications from Alzheimer's Disease.

He began active duty after graduation from Willamette University in 1953 and served aboard the USS Los Angeles during the Korean War. He returned to Reserve Status while attending Willamette College of Law, earning a JD in 1957.

He enjoyed his association with this organization until he was forced to give up his tax business.

Sue Redding

### JOE KERNA

He was in the tax preparation business for 40 years and many preparers around San Diego County knew him. He owned and operated J.F.K. Tax, but has been retired for a couple of years now.

Joe passed away in Florida on January 19, 2010 due to congestive heart failure.

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## CSTC MISSION STATEMENT

To promote professionalism by providing quality educational events for tax professionals, by creating and encouraging networking opportunities for members and by advocating professional standards and positions within the tax industry.

## RUNNING START LUNCH BAGS

The Chapter has less than 50 lunch bags with the CSTC logo from Running Start. These will only be available at this month's meeting. To reserve yours for just \$6.00 contact Marc Lord at [MLord@htk.com](mailto:MLord@htk.com) or bring six American Dollars and it's yours.



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is **Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 4 P.M.** at the Mission Valley Resort.

All members are welcome to attend. If you would like to attend, please contact Greta Ward at (619) 644-1752 or e-mail: [abacus1@juno.com](mailto:abacus1@juno.com).

## TEN CLIENTS YOU DON'T WANT

The FTB publishes each April the top 250 taxpayers with leined state tax delinquencies greater than \$100,000. Here are the top 10 in San Diego County:

Jeffry Howard	San Diego 92130	\$5,392,256.97
Kevin Mitchell	San Diego 92113	5,184,641.51
Michael Fanghella	San Diego 92663	4,108,016.01
Patricia & William Johnson	Temecula 92591	1,781,067.82
Ronald & Miriam Petrillo	San Diego 92111	968,052.12
Jung Kwak	Carlsbad 92009	781,932.09
Andrea Brown	El Cajon 92019	729,813.59
Independent Interpreters	San Diego 92171	708,278.87
Quang Lieu	El Cajon 92019	623,126.54
Lawson Brown	San Diego 92123	560,419.07

The biggest offender is Halsey & Shannon Minor of San Francisco at a mere \$13,120,479.39.

The entire list is at [www.ftb.ca.gov/individuals/txdlqnt](http://www.ftb.ca.gov/individuals/txdlqnt).



## CHAPTER DINNER MEETINGS - NEW LOCATION

The CSTC-San Diego Chapter meetings will be held at the Mission Valley Resort Conference Center during May and June and August through November 2010. Our change of location was necessary due to the unacceptable increase in pricing offered to our group by the Handlery Hotel after completion of their renovation.

The Mission Valley Resort, 875 Hotel Circle South, San Diego, CA 92108 (619) 298-8281, is located at the Hotel Circle exit from eastbound Highway I-8. It is west of the Marriott Courtyard Hotel and east of the Taylor Street exit. The parking area is very close to the ballroom where we will conduct our dinner meetings. No parking validation will be needed.

If driving from the east on I-8, take the Hotel Circle exit. At the end of the exit ramp, at the stop sign, turn right. Drive past the Town and Country Hotel and turn right at the light to pass under the Highway I-8. You will end up on Hotel Circle South. Continue until you see the Valley Liquor Convenience Store on the left. The next entrance you will see is for Mission Valley Resort. Turn left into the parking areas.

The new location, Mission Valley Resort, is on the south side of I-8. The old location, Handlery Hotel, is on the north side of I-8 across Hwy I-8 from the new location.

The Crowne Plaza Hotel served us well for our Holiday Party 2009 and Running Start 2010. However, the rooms available for scheduling our 2010 dinner meetings were inconveniently located in relation to the parking areas on their vast property.

Submitted by Linda Farmer-Francis,  
Arrangements Committee Chair

## 2011 RUNNING START LOCATION

The Sheraton Mission Valley will host the January 6 & 7, 2011 Running Start. Contact Marc Lord for more details @ [MLord@htk.com](mailto:MLord@htk.com).

## NEW MEETING LOCATION

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Mission Valley, San Diego, CA  
(See article on page 3.)

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### 2010 MEETING DATES

**May 20**

(Pre pay dinner deadline)

#### ETHICS

ALBERT CRUZ

**June 17**

#### POST TAX SEASON PLANNING

WAYNE OTCHIS

**July 13 (w/EA's @ Handlery)**

#### HOT TOPICS

MIKE KARL & DAVE GORSICH

**August 19**

#### IRS CRIMINAL CASES

KELLY HOANG

**September 16**

#### LLC & OTHER BUSINESS ENTITIES

VICKI MULAK

**October 21**

*San Diego Chapter's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

#### CALIFORNIA UPDATE

LYNN FREER

**November 18**

(Installation of officers)

#### IRS HOT TOPICS

TONY ALLEVATO

## SAN DIEGO CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### Newsletter via Email

You will receive an e-mail notice when the newsletter is posted to our web site and other important updated tax information.

Send your e-mail address to [cstcsd@san.rr.com](mailto:cstcsd@san.rr.com).  
Let us know if you change your email address.

### Newsletter Articles & Advertising

Submit your articles and ads to Terry Smith (619) 283-8055 or email to [Realtaxes@aol.com](mailto:Realtaxes@aol.com). Include in emails the Subject "CSTC – AD" or it won't be opened.

The San Diego chapter newsletter is published monthly in January, and May through December.

*The deadline for articles and ads for the June 2010 issue is May 25, 2010.*

Members: There is no charge to members who wish to advertise for positions available in their practice, equipment for sale, or similar subjects.

Non-Members: There is a \$15 charge for each advertisement in the newsletter. Charge is per six lines or portion thereof. Subject to available space and the discretion of the editor.

### Advertising At San Diego Chapter Events

Requests to distribute flyers, brochures or promote a business at any San Diego chapter event must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the day of the event.

### CHAPTER WEBSITE

Visit the San Diego Chapter's website at [www.cstcsandiego.org](http://www.cstcsandiego.org) for breaking tax news, educational events, Internet resources for use in your tax practice and other tax related information.

Let us know if you have any suggestions for the website. Email your ideas to Larry McClellan at [cstcsd@san.rr.com](mailto:cstcsd@san.rr.com).

### SPONSORED GUESTS

Invite other tax professionals you know to come to a dinner meeting for free. A current San Diego chapter member may bring a **different eligible** guest to dinner one time at no charge to the May through November dinner meetings.

Requirements:

- Guest must be eligible **to join CSTC**
- First time to chapter meeting

## TAX EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Registration Forms and additional information at the chapter's website - [www.cstcsandiego.org](http://www.cstcsandiego.org).  
Also check out other educational events in San Diego County

**East County Chapter:** [www.cstceastcounty.org](http://www.cstceastcounty.org)

Dinner meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 6 PM at El Cajon Community Center.

**North County Chapter:** [www.cstcsociety.org/NORTHCTY](http://www.cstcsociety.org/NORTHCTY)

Dinner meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at Hilton Garden Inn, 6450 Carlsbad Blvd. Carlsbad

**San Diego Chapter:** [www.cstcsandiego.org](http://www.cstcsandiego.org)

Dinner meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 5:30 PM at Mission Valley Resort  
1040 Running Start Seminar is January 6 & 7, 2011 at the Sheraton in Mission Valley.

**South Bay Chapter:** [www.cstcsociety.org/SOUTHBAY](http://www.cstcsociety.org/SOUTHBAY)

Dinner meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6 PM at Anthony's Chula Vista.

**Temecula Chapter:** [www.cstcsociety.org/TEMECULA](http://www.cstcsociety.org/TEMECULA)

Dinner meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 5:30 PM at Boston Billies.

**CSTC Society:** [www.cstcsociety.org](http://www.cstcsociety.org)

Summer Symposium, June 6 – 8, 2010, Reno, NV. A brochure is available at the society's website.

**IRS National Forum** – August 31, Sept 1 & 2, 2010. 18 hours of C.E. at Town & Country Hotel, Mission Valley

More information is available at [www.irstaxforum.com](http://www.irstaxforum.com) and click the "Seminars" link.

**San Diego Chapter of Enrolled Agents** – [www.cseasandiego.org](http://www.cseasandiego.org)

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### **NEW — 2010 CHAPTER MEMBER BENEFITS — NEW**

The following motion was passed on April 22, 2010.

1. Free Quickfinder if you attend 4 dinner meetings from May thru October 2010 **AND** payment is received by 31 October 2010 for the 2011 San Diego Running Start.
2. Reduce the Monthly Chapter Dinner Meeting cost to \$27.00 for Members with reservations and \$32.00 for Members without reservations and Guests. Pre-Paid Dinner Meetings cost shall be **\$150.00 paid No Later Than 20 May 2010. Pre-paid cost thru 17 June will be \$160.00.**
3. Two Name Badge Drawings will be held during each monthly meeting May – October 2010 for Education Certificates worth \$25.00 good toward any education event presented by the San Diego Chapter only. Eligible events include Monthly Dinner meetings (non Pre-paid Annual dinner fee), Foreclosure Sessions, or Running Start (not Early Bird Special Discount). Coupons will be valid May 2010 through December 31, 2011 only. No exceptions. (Coupons have no cash value and are not convertible to cash or refunds for previously paid event fees.



## **NEW LOCATION FOR CHAPTER DINNER MEETINGS**

**Refer To Page 3**

## NEW FORM 1040X

IRS redesigned the Form 1040X, Amended Individual Income Return, as of 1/26/10. New Instructions have also been issued. Both the new form and instructions are available at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) under “Forms and Publications”.

The two major changes to the form are: (1) only the corrected amounts are reported (only one column format); and (2) the “explanation for changes” area to tell why an amended return is being filed is now on page 1.

The instructions state on page 8 “Attach the schedule or forms(s), if any, that you used to figure your revised tax. Do not attach worksheets.” Page 2 of the form contains a “checklist” which includes the item “Attach any supporting documents and new or changed forms and schedules”.

The front page of the form, line 1, still starts with AGI. This mean if the amended return is reporting a change to any item used to compute AGI the new or changed income form must be attached to the amended return.

*For many years it has been my office procedure to attach to the amended return (1) a copy of the original return (all forms & schedules) marked with a large rubber stamp “As Originally Filed” and (2) a copy of the return (all forms and schedules) as the return would be as it is amended marked with a large rubber stamp “As Amended”. This procedure has avoided correspondence from IRS requesting more information and delaying IRS processing of an amended return with a refund.*

Amending returns for years prior to 2009 your software will probably not have the new form 1040X. It has been reported by an employee of Lacerte Software that you are not required to use the new form 1040X when amending a tax return. (Comment: *It seems unlikely that the software companies will revise the form 1040X in their software for years prior to 2009 .*)

If you have a client with a NOL created in year 2009 which you are electing to carryback to a prior year (up to five years) and will be using a form 1040X rather than a Form 1045 be sure to read the new form 1040X instructions. Also there is a box to check on line 1 to indicate the amended return is being used to claim an NOL carryback.

Submitted by Larry L McClellan

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### SAN DIEGO CHAPTER COMMITTEES

Our Chapter is the largest in California (currently 199) because of you, our fellow members. However, we all need a little bit of help now and then. The following committees make this Chapter function. Please call any of these Committee Chairs to offer your help or Greta Ward to fill in a vacancy:

Anniversary Party	Mari Jo Hughes	Member of the Year	Terry Smith
Arrangements	Linda Farmer-Francis	Membership	Nadine Allevato
Audit	Rick Wagner	Mini Workshops	
		Newsletter	Terry Smith
Dinner Speakers	Steve Comer	Nominations	
Elections		Operation Manuel	Shirley-Henry Biszantz
Finance/Budget	Duane Lewis	Quickfinders/Tax Book	Tom Groel
Government Affairs	Val Daigle		
Hall of Fame	Shirley Henry-Biszantz	Running Start	Randy Dahlin
			Marc Lord
Holiday Party	Mari Jo Hughes	Sunshine	Nadine Allevato
		Website	Larry McClellan



During the season the following were a tad busy to celebrate, so we want to recognize their years of membership to the San Diego Chapter.

**FEBRUARY**

ROY HOSAKA 8 YEARS

**MARCH**

TERI ANN BAJEMA 7 YEARS  
 ROBERT BENNETT 7 YEARS  
 MARIE BRENNAN 12 YEARS  
 RUTH CARRASQUILLO 7 YEARS  
 JACK MC FARLAND 31 YEARS

**APRIL**

MARY LOU CASSELL 6 YEARS  
 SHAKEEL KAZI 17 YEARS  
 PAMELA KLASSEN 22 YEARS  
 CHAU VINH LE 7 YEARS  
 JAMES POIRIER 21 YEARS  
 DANIEL WEBER 18 YEARS

**MAY**

TONY APPLEBAUM 11 YEARS  
 PAULA ARMSTRONG 7 YEARS  
 ROBERT BERG 3 YEARS  
 ROBERT W BERG 3 YEARS  
 BYRNA BICKNELL 26 YEARS  
 MICHAEL BLEVINS 21 YEARS  
 SANDRA BROOKS 2 YEARS  
 JOHN CEPEDA 17 YEARS  
 STEVE COMER 11 YEARS  
 JANET COOPER 5 YEARS  
 RUTH FAST 6 YEARS  
 LAVERNE FAST 6 YEARS  
 JUNE HUDSON 28 YEARS  
 HERB JACKEL 23 YEARS

JASMINE JONES 11 YEARS  
 THOMAS KETELAAR 7 YEARS  
 APARA KOHLS 21 YEARS  
 LARRY LLOYD 14 YEARS  
 LEAH MONTELLO 3 YEARS  
 MEROLD NYBERG 21 YEARS  
 DIANE REA 2 YEARS  
 JOHN RODRIGUEZ 24 YEARS  
 LOUIS TOTH 10 YEARS  
 GRETA WARD 21 YEARS

**A TOTAL OF 466 YEARS**

**NEW MEMBERS**



Timothy Anglin Phillip Klepin  
 Ashley Disharoon Franz Kroellian  
 Gerald Frazier Greg Nelson  
 Denise Gray Vladimir Raicevic  
 David Hewitt John Shertz  
 Gary Johanson Tracy Weaver

**SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

**“2012 BY 2012”**

Members who bring in a new member will receive \$25.00 CSTC education voucher from Society.

**NO-SHOW DINNER RESERVATIONS BILLING POLICY**

An individual who has made a reservation for a dinner meeting and fails to cancel the reservation by noon the day prior to the dinner meeting will be billed the Chapter's cost of the dinner. An individual will be allowed one (1) no-show at no charge per calendar year.

## SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

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### BREAKFAST MEETINGS

Join CSTC members for breakfast to discuss tax issues.

Members buy their own breakfast.

**San Diego Chapter**—2<sup>nd</sup> and last Friday each month, at 7:30 a.m. at Coco's Restaurant, 5955 Balboa Ave, in the Clairemont area. Contact Val Daigle, (619) 435-3131, e-mail val@westax.com.

**South Bay Chapter**— Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m., at Estelle's Restaurant in Chula Vista.

Contact Donita Chacon at (619) 470-9293.

**East County Chapter**— Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at Denny's Fletcher Pkwy at Navajo.

Contact Maryann Shefvland at (619) 464-1260.

**North County Chapter**—Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. at IHOP at Hwy 78 and Shadowridge Dr in Vista.

Contact Michele Meharis.

**Business Entities Tax Group**—1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at Coco's Restaurant, 5550 Lake Murray Blvd, La Mesa. Contact Janice Brown at (619) 464-1041.

**Fiduciary Tax Group**— 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays each month at 7:30 am, at Coco's Restaurant, 5550 Lake Murray Blvd, La Mesa. Contact Jan Brown at (619) 464-1041.

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you move, please advise both the San Diego Chapter and the Society office of your new address, phone and e-mail address.

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