

**National Payroll Week 1999**

**The Team Spirit**

Local chapters rise to the occasion. Just like there are some who tend to enjoy team sports over individual sports, there are those who enjoy being part of a team dedicated to a good cause. Whether it's a team rallying to win a hard-fought game or a chapter coming together to celebrate National Payroll Week, the effect is the same, a deep sense of camaraderie and accomplishment.

APA has long been proud of the accomplishments of local chapters. Local chapters are responsible for igniting the spirit of National Payroll Week on a multitude of levels, including: state, county, city, company, department, and individual. Local chapters serve as an amplifier for the NPW message and they are the mainstay of its success.

Just as individual members strive to make an impact in their communities for NPW, so do the local chapters. Chapter members, finding strength in numbers, lobby local government offices for proclamations in honor of the community's taxpayers.

Many times the local chapters serve as the vanguard for NPW and challenge individuals to organize NPW celebrations and activities at their own companies or payroll departments. These spin-off activities can be simple celebrations or extravagant parties involving an entire company. Many chapters have even begun to organize activity contests to get as many of their members as possible into the spirit of NPW.

A specialty of local chapters is Community and Educational Outreach. APA is continuously surprised by the scope of these chapter activities. Many chapters execute their projects with such precision that one can forget that they also have other responsibilities—like full-time careers and families.

Statewide meetings during NPW are a prime example of a chapter or group of chapters coming together to offer an excellent education and networking opportunity for local payroll professionals. These events, often modeled after APA's very own Congress, are one-, two-, or three-day conferences offering a wide array of seminars, speakers, vendors, and entertainment. It can take months of preparation to ensure they go off without a hitch. The chapter members who dedicate an enormous amount of time to organize these important events should be recognized as true leaders in their payroll community.

Along with statewide meetings, local chapters have continued to reach out to their communities to lend a helping hand. Many chapters have organized fundraising events to benefit needy families and other community charities. With their large numbers, chapters can often make a tremendously positive difference on their community.

Local chapters also contribute to APA's annual NPW media campaign. Many of the payroll professionals who are interviewed either on television or radio are members of local chapters. Chapter members have also been known to flood radio stations with calls requesting airtime for NPW. Additionally, many chapters have done a great job of getting the local news media to spotlight their activities.

While each chapter is provided guidelines for NPW activities that include securing local proclamations, community outreach, educational outreach and more, some chapters choose to take the "NPW bull" firmly by the horns. The spirit of competition and a desire to improve their communities drive some chapters to great accomplishments.

Some of those chapters have been formally recognized for their work, but each and every chapter that participated in an NPW activity, no matter how small, is still a member of the

### **"Winning Team!"**

This year the NPW Activity Contest has been divided into two categories, Educational Outreach/Community Service and Political/Media Outreach. The chapters that excelled in their NPW activities are...

Educational Outreach/Community Service

Platinum Award Winner — Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter

Gold Award Winner — Columbus Area Chapter

Silver Award Winner — Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Chapter

Political/Media Outreach

Platinum Award Winner — Miami Valley Chapter of Ohio

Gold Award Winner — Dallas Chapter

Silver Award Winner — San Diego Chapter

APA would also like to recognize all of the other chapters that contributed significantly to the success of NPW. The following is APA's Chapter Honor Roll.

Chapter Celebrations:

This year's chapter celebrations consisted of picnics, dinners, baseball games, cruises and a multitude of other activities. What was the key ingredient in all these activities, you might wonder...? FUN!

CenTex Chapter  
Central Jersey Chapter  
Columbus Area Chapter  
Dallas Chapter  
Flagstaff Area Chapter  
Greater Kansas City Chapter  
Greater Nashville Chapter  
Greater Rochester Chapter  
Green Mountain Payroll Association  
Hartford Chapter  
Hawaii Chapter  
Inland Northwest Chapter  
Jersey Shore Chapter  
Metro Phoenix Chapter  
Miami Valley Chapter  
Mid-Peninsula Chapter  
Nebraska Chapter  
Northeast Indiana Chapter  
Northeast Wisconsin Chapter  
Oklahoma City Chapter  
Orlando Chapter  
Richmond Chapter  
San Antonio Chapter  
San Diego Chapter  
San Francisco Bay Area Chapter  
South Carolina Chapter  
Southeast Louisiana Chapter  
Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter  
Springfield Chapter  
Suncoast Bay Area Chapter  
Tucson Chapter  
Twin Tier Chapter  
Utah Chapter

Washington Metro Area Chapter  
Westchester Chapter  
Wichita Chapter

**Proclamations:**

Proclamations speak for themselves; they clearly convey the spirit and message to the local community of their origin.

Baltimore Metropolitan Chapter  
Chicago Chapter  
Columbus Area Chapter  
Dallas Chapter  
Denver Chapter  
Fort Worth Chapter  
Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky Chapter  
Greater Milwaukee Chapter  
Greater Nashville Chapter  
Hawaii Chapter  
Indianapolis Chapter  
Inland Northwest Chapter  
Jersey Shore Chapter  
Nebraska Chapter  
Northern Colorado Chapter  
Rainier Chapter  
San Antonio Chapter  
San Diego Chapter  
South Carolina Chapter  
Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter  
Susquehanna Valley Chapter  
Topeka Chapter  
Tucson Chapter  
Twin Tier Chapter  
Washington Metro Area Chapter  
West Michigan Area Chapter

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**Charity Events:**

APA chapters have once again outdone themselves in the good deeds category. Many a smile on the faces of the less fortunate came courtesy of Payroll Professionals during NPW.

- Columbus Area Chapter
- Dallas Chapter
- Denver Chapter
- Greater Kansas City Chapter
- Greater Nashville Chapter
- Hall of Fame Chapter
- Hawaii Chapter
- Indianapolis Chapter
- Oklahoma City Chapter
- San Antonio Chapter
- San Diego Chapter
- Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter

**Statewide Meetings:**

- Atlanta Chapter
- Central Illinois Chapter
- Central Jersey Chapter
- Chicago Chapter
- Denver Chapter
- East Bay Area Chapter
- Fox Valley Chapter
- Greater Los Angeles Chapter
- Greater Milwaukee Chapter
- Indianapolis Chapter
- Inland Empire Chapter
- Jersey Shore Chapter
- Memphis Chapter
- Northern Jersey Chapter
- Orange County Chapter
- Rainier Chapter
- San Diego Chapter
- San Gabriel Valley Chapter
- South Bay Area Chapter
- Toledo Area Chapter
- Western New York Chapter
- Western Pennsylvania Chapter
- Willamette Chapter

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**Local School Visits:**

Nothing like a trip to the local high school to bring back all kinds of memories from the glory days. Local chapter representatives hit the classrooms to spread a little light on a very important subject for today's teens—earning money!

- Albuquerque Chapter
- CenTex Chapter
- Columbus Area Chapter
- Denver Chapter
- Greater Kansas City Chapter
- Greater Rochester Chapter
- Jacksonville Chapter
- Miami Valley Chapter
- San Antonio Chapter
- South Bay Area Chapter
- Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter
- Suncoast Bay Area Chapter
- Susquehanna Valley Chapter
- Topeka Chapter

**Office Celebrations:**

From the wild to the subdued, fun was had by all!

- Albuquerque Chapter
- Central Jersey Chapter
- Central Valley Chapter
- Denver Chapter
- Florida Goldcoast Chapter
- Greater Boston Chapter
- Inland Northwest Chapter
- Mid-Michigan Chapter
- Nebraska Chapter
- Northern Jersey Chapter
- Oklahoma City Chapter
- Rainier Chapter
- San Joaquin — Sacramento Valley Chapter
- South Carolina Chapter
- Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter
- Susquehanna Valley Chapter
- Topeka Chapter
- Washington Metro Area Chapter

**Media Coverage:**

Getting the word out in a big way! Congratulations to these chapters for having the spotlight focused on them and NPW!

Denver Chapter

Greater Rochester Chapter

Inland Northwest Chapter

Miami Valley Chapter

Nebraska Chapter

Rainier Chapter

San Antonio Chapter

San Diego Chapter

South Carolina Chapter

Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter

Topeka Chapter

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