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NPW Celebrations

While National Payroll Week lends itself to dignified endeavors such as educational, political, and community outreach, it's also a great time to throw a party! Celebrations by payroll professionals abound during this special time in September. Office parties, luncheons, games, decorations. . . anything goes during NPW as long as it's fun and not in violation of any obscure IRS regulations.

During National Payroll Week payroll offices around the country take on the colors of NPW—green, yellow, and purple. It's kind of like fall colors, payroll style! Chapter meetings also tend to become more festive during NPW, with special speakers and sinfully delicious cakes adorned with NPW decorations. All in all, it's a great time to be a payroll professional!

Here are some highlights of celebrations that took place during NPW 2000:

The **Atlanta Chapter** took a field trip over to Tennessee to mingle with their colleagues in the Chattanooga Chapter. They had a great time getting acquainted while visiting the Tennessee Aquarium.

Members of the **Greater Kansas City Chapter** could be found at the Kansas City Royals' stadium checking out the game and visiting with Sluggrrr, the official team mascot. The **Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Chapter** members also did a repeat of their baseball game outing from last year. Different team, but the same amount of fun and camaraderie!

The **Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter** is on quite a roll after celebrating its 3rd Annual NPW celebration in 2000. They held an NPW social the evening before their statewide meeting. A chapter picnic was on tap for the sun lovin' folks at the **San Diego Chapter**.

The **San Antonio Chapter** had an exciting visitor at their last meeting in the form of the NBA Spurs' official mascot, the Coyote.

The new **Gulf Coast Chapter** in Florida had a great first NPW with APA Past-President Maureen Reed, CPP, CGBA as a special guest speaker.

The **Dallas Chapter** had an extra special NPW celebration, decorations, a vendor showcase, and door prizes galore were all on the agenda.

Gene Gavin, Commissioner of the Revenue Service for the State of Connecticut was the special guest speaker at the **Hartford Chapter's** NPW celebration. Commissioner Gavin was very receptive to the concerns of the chapter members and invited members to call on his office with any concerns.

The **SunCoast Bay Area Chapter** held a special dinner during NPW. Charlie Miranda, Tampa Mayor Pro Tem and Tampa City Official Cindy Miller, CPA were on hand to address the meeting attendees.

Members of the **Columbus Area Chapter** attended one of the first games of the new NHL team, the Columbus Blue Jackets.

The **Southeast Louisiana Chapter** debuted their new Web site and showed off their proclamations during their NPW celebration. Karen Trebuq of the Louisiana State Department of Labor Regulatory Services for Unemployment Insurance was a guest speaker.

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The **Mountain States Payroll Professionals**, another newly established chapter in Idaho, was quick to get on the NPW bandwagon. Tim Beard from the Social Security Administration was the special guest speaker. They're already looking forward to NPW 2001!

The **Maine Association of Payroll Professionals** treated themselves to a motivational workshop during NPW. Linda Cross Godfrey was the keynote speaker.

Nearly 170 payroll professionals turned out to take part in the **Houston Chapter's** NPW gala. Ken Weatherspoon of ADP provided the entertainment with a humorous look at payroll history.

The **Hawaii Chapter** kicked off NPW live on the radio! Local station, KSSK FM was on hand to broadcast their morning show while the chapter got their NPW celebration into high gear.

The **Greater Rochester Area Payroll Association** also added a media flair to their NPW celebration with local news anchorwoman Ginny Ryan of WORK 13 serving as emcee.

In addition, the following chapters enjoyed festive NPW 2000 celebrations: Tucson Chapter, Indianapolis Chapter, Oklahoma City Chapter, Fox Valley Payroll Association, Greater Nashville Chapter, Mid-Peninsula Chapter, Metro Phoenix Chapter, Sacramento Valley Chapter, Birmingham Alabama Chapter, Green Mountain Payroll Association, New York Metropolitan Chapter, Miami Valley Chapter, Chicago Chapter, South Carolina Chapter, East Bay Area Chapter, Wichita Chapter, and the Northeast Oklahoma Chapter.

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