



Foothill Chapter

May 11, 2011

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

President's Message

Welcome back to CSTC - Foothill Chapter 2011 year. I hope you all had a good income tax year. I look forward to a year of interesting speakers this season. Please feel free to share any unusual tax problem you dealt with this season.

We had very good and informative breakfast meeting in January, February and March. Turn out was fantastic. I hope this indicates we will have good attendance in our 2011 meetings.

I would like all of us to put our focus on membership this year. Please, everybody, try to bring in new members. New blood is what will keep CSTC going. With Webcast readily available, fewer people are interested in groups like CSTC. I am sure you all agree, we benefit a lot from networking and sharing information with each other. In past years we have had informative, knowledgeable speaker and will continue to do so.

I look forward to see you all at the coming meeting.

Carmen
Foothill Chapter President

Benefits of CSTC Foothill Membership:

- The ability to gain valuable education and associations with others who will share their knowledge, educate, mentor and help us keep up on the latest rules and regulations.
- Networking - Education - 2 hrs. Education Credit per meeting
- Updated legislation - State and Federal
- Monthly Meetings

Cost of CSTC Membership: \$155 initial fee - \$130 annual renewal
For a chapter near you call: (714) 750-2782 or go to www.cstcsociety.org

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Thursday May 5, 2011 Dinner Meeting
6:00 pm Networking
6:30 Dinner
7:00 to 9:00 Speaker
Speaker/Topic: TBA

Thursday June 4, 2011 Dinner Meeting
6:00 pm Networking
6:30 Dinner
7:00 to 9:00 Speaker
Speaker/Topic: TBA

Thursday July 7, 2011 Dinner Meeting
6:00 pm Networking
6:30 Dinner
7:00 to 9:00 Speaker
Speaker/Topic: TBA

Thursday August 4, 2011 Dinner Meeting
6:00 pm Networking
6:30 Dinner
7:00 to 9:00 Speaker
Speaker/Topic: TBA

CSTC Society & Chapter Education Programs:
Go to the Society Website and see what programs Society and other chapters are offering. www.cstcsociety.org

25th Summer Tax Symposium 2011

The Orleans Hotel
Las Vegas, NV
June 5, 6, 7, & 8th, 2011

CSTC on Line Education
California 4 hour course.
Ethics 2 hour course

Registration Forms available at our chapter meeting or contact Society Office.

**Be Sure to Attend The
May 11th Meeting**

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FOOTHILL CHAPTER – CSTC

The Foothill Chapter board of directors of the California Society of Tax Consultants would like to personally welcome you to our meetings. CSTC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to education and professional growth in tax preparation. As a tax professional we offer you an excellent opportunity to enrich your own personal growth and knowledge in our respected profession.

The Foothill chapter is one of fifteen chapters located throughout the State of California. The CSTC Mission Statement is “To promote professionalism by providing quality education events for tax professionals, by creating and encouraging networking opportunities for members and by advocating professional standards and positions within the tax industry”. CSTC membership includes qualified Tax Preparers under the CTEC (California Tax Education Council) program, Enrolled Agents, Enrolled Actuaries, Certified Public Accountants, Public Accountants and Attorneys. Many of our members are also Certified Financial Planners, Insurance, Securities and Real Estate Brokers. This diversified membership offers additional insight into a complex tax code by those specializing in a given tax area. Through out the year CSTC offers many different and varied tax workshops, summer and winter seminars, and monthly tax classes. This provides our members the opportunity to keep up to date with the latest code changes and reinforcement of knowledge and skills. All of these programs give you qualified continuing education to meet your annual requirement.

The Foothill Chapter offers enthusiastic round table discussions on tax issues and solving problem tax returns at monthly meetings throughout the year. We encourage you to bring those “stump the preparer” situations to the meetings for discussion. In January, February and March we meet the first Sunday of each month for a Breakfast meeting. From May through December we meet the first Thursday of the month for a dinner meeting. The dinner meetings include an opportunity to hear dynamic speakers and presentations, on a focused tax topic, for education credit.

We welcome and look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

CSTC Foothill Chapter

Carmen K. Hustad

President

Possible Home buyer Credit Delays

The IRS has released information regarding processing delays affecting a percentage of returns involving repayment of the first-time home buyer credit, primarily involving 2008 home purchases. Also, the IRS intends to clarify the instructions for the 2010 Form 5405, First-Time home buyer Credit and Repayment of the Credit.

The IRS has identified a processing issue primarily impacting refunds for married couples filing joint returns who claimed the first-time home buyer credit on their 2008 tax return. The credit was an interest-free loan and must be paid back (i.e., recaptured) beginning in 2011 on 2010 returns. This issue primarily impacts joint filers who filed their tax returns before February 22, 2011. The IRS is working to manually process tax returns for this group of taxpayers. It expects most, if not all, of these refunds to be available by April 5, 2011 and others the following week.

Further, the IRS identified processing issues impacting taxpayers who received the first-time home buyer credit and are now reporting the sale or disposition of their homes and taxpayers who received the credit and are attempting to pay back more than the amount required (typically \$500.). These two issues require changes to the IRS' processing systems. The IRS is working on the development and testing of the required changes that will allow it to process these impacted tax returns and issue refunds. The IRS does not currently have a definitive date for when these changes will be complete, although it will be in April 2011. For those who have already filed, no action is necessary.

The IRS has also stated its intention to revise the instructions for Form 5405. The clarifications will provide that:

A destroyed home is subject to the same repayment rules that apply to a sale through condemnation or under threat of condemnation; and If the taxpayer checked the box on line 13F for a home purchased in 2008 and the event was not a sale to a related person, the annual repayment is 1/15 of the smaller of (a) the amount on line 14 or (b) the amount on line 15.

In a recent press conference, the IRS announced it is making good progress in processing returns claiming the first-time home buyer credit. In March, the Service reported some delays in processing these returns because of programming problems with its computer systems. Refunds have been delayed in some cases. "Over the next week or so, all refunds are going out," one IRS representative said.