

President's Message



Happy fall! I hope everyone is enjoying all the wonders that the fall season brings. I know that I am. The beautiful colors, falling leaves and crisp breezes make this my favorite season. The only thing wrong is that it is usually over too quickly.

Another good thing that fall brings is the Michigan Fall Conference, which I just returned from. It was a really good experience. We heard a group of excellent speakers, who covered topics including an Economic Update, Accounting for Income Taxes and Michigan Business Tax, a lesson on IFRS, Professional Development, a case study about Financial Management, and Ethics presented by our own Julie Goldman. This was one of the first conferences I have attended that had ALL excellent speakers and topics (and I have attended many conferences). I found everything interesting, and most of it useful to me or my work. I also had the opportunity for some very enjoyable conversation. IMA events are always excellent networking opportunities, and who can't use more professional contacts? The Kellogg Center in East Lansing does a very nice job with the accommodations and food. All of this and eight hours of CPE too! I thoroughly enjoyed myself and would recommend that you each attend next year. It is well worth the reasonable price.

Also keep in mind the free webinars that are available to members through the IMA website. There is an excellent series on International Financial Reporting Standards being presented by Deloitte and Touche, as well as other webinars and courses. The next airing of the IFRS webinar is November 19th. Maybe I'll see you there (online).

But honestly, I hope to see you before that at our next Chapter meeting, which will be at Damon's in Saginaw on November 18th. We'll be having a wonderful presentation about taxes, a good dinner and great company! So until then.....enjoy the fall season! Toni