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Presidents Letter

Mid July, I can only imagine what everyone is doing at work. Q2 reconciliation, right? I just started looking at my reports on Friday. Fortunately, having been involved in our December GNCAPA meeting, I know some of the steps I needed to take throughout Q2 to make sure my reports were going to be in good shape. This is just one more reason that our luncheons are so valuable.

Preparations are being finalized for the TN Statewide Conference August 11 and 12th. I am not sure what I am more excited about. Our two keynote speakers are fantastic.

Patricia Leonard will be speaking on Thursday at lunch. When our payroll department was laid off at my last job, we were given the opportunity to go to a company who helped prepare you for interviews. Patricia was our two day leader. She helped explain why we put different things than we would have added. Had us thinking in a new and creative direction on what our resumes should look like. Of all of us, I it took me the longest to find a new job, and that was 5 weeks. Not too bad in the economy we have had over the past 3 years.

Al McCree will be our speaker on Friday at lunch. I have had the honor of seeing Al at many of our National Payroll Congress sessions. He brings stories, humor and song with him. He won't teach us how to pick that guitar, but be ready to learn from this man.

The session speakers range from Benefits to Human Resources. From Time and Attendance to Pay Cards. If you haven't signed up to attend yet, let me remind you that the amount of learning in this two day conference will benefit you and your employer. And is worth 9 RCH's.

And if that weren't enough, our Survivor theme is allowing us to not have to dress professionally, but rather in shorts. You'll need that Thursday night, when we have our Survivor party. Be prepared. Your Survivor team will be competing against the other teams. I'm not giving more away than that. But this is one party you won't want to miss.

I also wanted to remind you of the 25th Anniversary celebration coming on September 17th. Sherry Dwyer, CPP, Tina Pursley and Angie Sowers, CPP have planned an exciting night of the past 25 years of chapter memories. Join us for great food, catching up with members you may not have seen in years, pictures from as far back as we could find them, and the start of our next 25 years.

National Payroll Week is approaching in September. Hope Lodge will be one of our group functions to celebrate. Have you signed up yet? If not, set the date and join us. Just the small act of serving the patients and family dinner does your soul good. Lisa Wachter, CPP has worked tirelessly to make this a great NPW celebration.

Danny Walker, CPP will be hosting this Thursday's luncheon. It will be a great meeting and I hope you've already got it on your calendar and registered. I'll see you at Statewide!!