

#### **SEMCACFE Newsletter**

**April 2018** 

#### VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank our April speaker, Lori Tesch, Director of Forensic Audits at Wayne State University, for her presentation. Lori presented Advance Online Research Tools. Her presentation was very interesting and generated a number of questions and comments from the chapter members. I hope each of your took away one valuable point from our guest speaker and that we will see you all again next month on Thursday, May 3, 2018), for our monthly meeting.

I would also like to extend an invitation to everyone reading this newsletter to join us at our next Southeast Michigan Chapter of Associated Certified Fraud Examiners Meeting. Everyone is welcome and information regarding location, times, pricing and policy can be found in this newsletter. The Southeast Michigan Chapter of Associated Certified Fraud Examiners is an exciting experience and continues to showcase knowledgeable speakers. Our group has outstanding members and guests that attend our meetings and conference.

Our meetings and conference provide opportunities to gain relevant knowledge for professional and personal success as well as an opportunity to acquire needed hours of continuous education, which includes 2 hours of Ethics, for various certifications.

## The 24th Annual SEMCACFE Fraud Conference will be held on April 26, 2018 at Vis-Ta-Tech Center, Schoolcraft College in Livonia, MI.

The Board is always interested in feedback and any ideas on how we can improve the Chapter. Please let us know if you have a topic you would like or a speaker that would be interested in presenting at a monthly meeting. Thank you for your continued support.

The Southeast Michigan Chapter is working to increase our outreach and professional networking at colleges and universities as well as in our community. Join us as we relentlessly strive to promote fraud prevention and detection through educational training programs.

Timothy Boyle, Chapter Vice President

#### April Speaker



Lori Tesch Director of Forensic Audits Wayne State University

Topic:

**Advance Online Research Tools** 



### SEMCACFE 24th Annual Fraud Conference

Thursday, April 26, 2018

VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, Livonia, MI

**Event Speakers & Topics:** 

**Health Care Fraud (2 CPE's)** 

Presented by: Special Agent Bryan Drake (FBI) and Special Agent Lafell Peoples (FBI)

Introduction to ENDERA (1 CPE)
Presented by: Tony Maull

Interview & Investigative Techniques (2 CPE's)
Presented by: Jarriel (Jerry) Koplin, CFE

<u>Financial Data Collection Tools & Resources (1 CPE)</u> Presented by: Sr. Special Agent Raymond Orzel, CFE

Ethics (2 CPEs)

Presented by: Dr. Robert Okopny, CIA, CFE

#### May Speaker:

# Bernadette Kakooza, MBA, CFE, CIG Inspector General Detroit Public Schools Community District Topic:

#### Fraud Trends

Bernadette has over 20 years of service with the Detroit Public Schools Community District (formerly, Detroit Public Schools). She began her DPS career as an Internal Auditor, and also served as Principal Accountant, before transitioning to her current office, Office of Inspector General, as Senior Forensic Auditor in 2012. She was appointed to lead the OIG as Inspector General in March 2014. As Inspector General, she is responsible for managing the District's fraud investigation operations; which have jurisdiction over all school district employees, contractors and vendors that conduct business with the district. She oversees both fraud investigations and forensic audits, as well as promotes compliance and ethical conduct through fraud awareness and training efforts. Bernadette obtained her MBA from the University of Detroit Mercy in 1998 and is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) and Certified Inspector General (CIG). Outside of work, she enjoys time with her three daughters, reading both fiction and nonfiction books, baking and biking.

#### **Next Meeting**

Thursday, May 3, 2018 - 5:30 p.m. at St. John Banquet and Conference Center 22001 Northwestern Highway Southfield, MI

#### **Dinner Prices:**

**♦ Members: \$30** 

**♦ Gov Employees: \$25** 

♦ Students: \$25♦ Retirees: \$25

♦ All 3rd time Guests: \$40

**NOTICE:** Our monthly meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. However, after two meetings, you will be asked to join our chapter. In order to continue paying the member price of \$30 for the meeting, annual dues are \$50 for CFE's; \$55 Associate/Affiliates; \$25 Full Time Students and \$35 for Retirees and Government Employees. If you choose not to join, you are still welcome to attend but will be charged a dinner meeting fee of \$40.00.

Reminder: To help minimize costs to our chapter, please notify us of any cancelations, prior to the meeting date.

RSVP to Mary Medonis E-mail: info@semcacfe.org

#### **Congratulations!**



**SEMC ACFE Members** were awarded free registration to the **24th Annual Conference held on April 26, 2018.** Our winners are: Charles Brown, Blair Hedrick, Michael Bartolac, Gary Vartanian, Rhonda Warner and Karen Harreld.



Power up your fraud-fighting skills at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual ACFE Global Fraud Conference, June 17-22 in Las Vegas.

If you would like more information concerning the ACFE Annual Conference visit : <a href="www.FraudConference.com">www.FraudConference.com</a>.

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