



WINTER 2011

Rosie Weston Retires After 30+ Years with the Board

The year was 1978 and a young Rosie Weaver began her career with the State of Wyoming. After working for a short time for the Department of Agriculture, she moved to her position with the Wyoming Board of CPAs.

Through the years, Rosie's job duties grew even as she married Al Weston and raised two beautiful children, Donald and Deanna. She has worked both part and full-time in order to balance the demands of motherhood with the job.

Al and Rosie are devoted to their family and made sure that, throughout the

years, they spent as much time together as possible.

The Westons are an "outdoor bunch" who enjoy their cabin in the woods, hunting, fishing, 4-wheeling and snowmobiling.

As the kids grew up and moved away, Al and Rosie studied to become auctioneers and opened their business, Al-Rose Auction & Realty LLC. The business has grown over the past ten years due to their outstanding reputation for honesty, fairness and friendly service.

If a lifetime is deemed to be successful by the way friends, acquaintances and family feel about you, then

Rosie has indeed succeeded.

Rosie plans to enjoy time with her family, including the newest Weston (and light of her life), Olivia, who turned a year old the beginning of January. Olivia is not in the family photo. Madison is the other "grand daughter" that keeps Al and Rosie busy!

Rosie's official retirement date is February 1, 2011. Having served the public, exam candidates and licensees for so many years, Rosie will be missed by so many. We wish her the best!

Happy Retirement!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- ◆ In 1978 Ed Herschler was Governor of the State of Wyoming
- ◆ In 1978 Jimmy Carter was President of the United States
- ◆ Rosie worked for four different Supervisors while with the Board of CPAs
- ◆ "And I am not setting my alarm clock ever again!" - a comment overheard in the office.

Rosie's Retirement Reception

Wednesday, January 26, 2011

1 to 3 p.m.

Historic Governors' Mansion, Carriage House, Cheyenne, Wyoming

Open to all well-wishers!



Practice Privileges/Mobility

This renewal season saw a handful more certificate holders surrender their Wyoming licenses to avail themselves of practice privileges or mobility.

To qualify:

- Individuals must have passed the Uniform CPA exam prior to January 1, 2012;
- hold an active certificate in their principal place of business;
- the certificate was awarded based on

completion of at least one year of experience within five years of the certificate date; and

- the principal place of business is not in Wyoming.

Those who avail themselves of practice privileges may not place their Wyoming certificate on retired or inactive status.

For the 2011 renewal year thirty eight certificate holders surrendered their Wyoming certificates in favor of

working under practice privilege provisions of the Board's Rules and Regulations.

If you wonder if you qualify for mobility, please complete the "Mobility Checklist" found on our website at <http://cpaboard.state.wy/us>. Click on the Forms button.

Chapter 10 of Board Rules and Regulations pertains to Practice Privileges/Mobility. Please call the office with questions.

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The mission of the Wyoming Board of CPAs is to ensure that consumers of accounting services are protected by requiring CPAs and CPA firms to meet the highest level of professional competence through:

- verification of education and experience requirements
- requiring continuing professional education
- responding to consumer complaints

The Board determines eligibility for those who apply to take the CPA exam as Wyoming candidates; works diligently to monitor national accounting regulatory issues; consistently reviews statutes and regulations to ensure Wyoming practitioners are held to the highest professional standards and afforded the competitive opportunities enjoyed by accounting professionals nationwide.

ON JUNE 30, 2011

THE BOARD WILL

HAVE 2 OPENINGS

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IF YOU ARE

INTERESTED OR

KNOW SOMEONE

WHO IS, PLEASE

CALL THE OFFICE AT

(307) 777-7551.

New Business Office Coordinator



The Board welcomes Stephanie Jones as the new Business Office Coordinator.

Stephanie comes to the Board with several years of State of Wyoming work experience. Most recently, Stephanie worked for the Highway Patrol Division of the Wyoming Department of Transportation.

Stephanie has many years of experience in customer service,

office systems and database design and management.

In her “spare time” Stephanie enjoys biking, camping, scrap-booking, mystery novels, and spending time with friends and family.

We are thrilled to welcome Stephanie!

Did you know that you can access your certificate number and Rules and Regulations Course Due Date at any time?

Visit the website at <http://cpaboard.state.wy.us> and perform the Database Search.

Information at your fingertips at any time of the day or night!

LICENSEES AND

OTHER MEMBERS

OF THE PUBLIC ARE

WELCOME AND

ENCOURAGED TO

ATTEND BOARD

MEETINGS.

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Board Announces 2011 Calendar of Meetings

All Board meetings are open to the public with the exception of those meetings governed by W.S. § 16-4-405 relative to Executive Session.

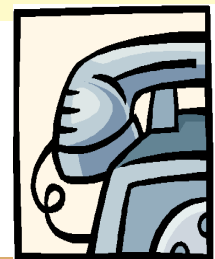
The Board will meet three times in person in 2011. In-person meetings are scheduled to be held in Casper, Wyoming because of its central location.

The other meetings are conducted in a conference call format. Those

who attend the conference call meetings are asked to pay a small administration fee of \$5 and the cost of the phone minutes that are billed to the Board.

The Board encourages the public to remain informed of Board activities and issues.

For more information please call the office at (307) 777-7551.



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Calling All Potential Board Members!

Two of the Board’s members, Ms. Tracy Boner and Mr. Gerry Marburger, will be completing their Board terms as of June 30, 2011.

Both Tracy and Gerry have served for two, 3-year terms making them both ineligible for re-appointment at this time. Tracy and Gerry shared some thoughts—

“The greatest benefit I see from being on the board is learning about the profession. I have learned more about being a CPA in the last 6 years than I ever imagined. Being on the board gives you new avenues to learn about the profession and

look at it from a different viewpoint.” - Tracy

“A few months after I began serving, the Board had a formal hearing concerning a Wyoming CPA. The dynamics of the hearing were subdued but powerful, with the attorney for the CPA and the attorney for the investigative committee presenting evidence for the Board to consider. Subsequently, the Board deliberated, guided by its own attorney, and issued its decision on the matter.

That experience impressed upon me the formality of the legal process to

which the Board must adhere. Also, that hearing made me fully aware of the impact the Board can have on the professional future of a CPA.” - Gerry

Board members are asked to attend Board meetings as scheduled, be prepared for all meetings and serve on committees as they are interested and able.

The average amount of time a Board member spends is about 2-3 hours per month between attendance and preparation. CPA licensure in good standing is required for eligibility for the two open Board seats.

All Board members are appointed by the Governor. The form to submit for consideration can be found at <http://governor.wy.gov/resources/Pages/BoardsandCommissions.aspx>.

For more information, please call the office or any Board member.



What is Acceptable CPE Documentation?

Chapter 5, Section 5 of Board Rules and Regulations indicates that primary responsibility for documenting that CPE requirements have been met rests with the certificate holder.

The documentation must be issued by a third party and shall include the holder’s name, course sponsor/provider name, course title, date and timeframe of the course; and the

amount of credit granted as applicable.

Certificate holders must retain documentation for a period of four years after completion of the course.

The Board randomly audits certificate holders’ CPE records. The best way to be prepared in

the event of an audit: ensure you have met the CPE credit requirements, report your CPE credits accurately to the Board office, and maintain complete files of all CPE credits reported to the Board office.

For complete information regarding CPE, please read Chapter 5 of the Rules and Regulations.

2011 Calendar

January 11, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

February 15, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

March 15, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

April – No Meeting

May 17, 2011 Casper 10:00 a.m.

June 14, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

July 12, 2011 Casper 10:00 a.m.

August 16, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

September 20, 2011 Casper 10:00 a.m.

October – No Meeting

November 15, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

December 13, 2011 Call 1:30 p.m.

Board Members

Wyoming Board of Certified Public Accountants

Patrick C. McGuire, CPA, Chairman

Tracy Boner, CPA, Secretary

Gerry Marburger, CPA, Retired

Ken Kehn, CPA

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Renewal Statistics for 2011

New Certificates Issued in 2010—27
Active Renewed Certificates for 2011—716
Inactive Renewed Certificates for 2011—254
Renewed Firm Permits for 2011—318
Number of Retired Certificates for 2011—14

Thank you for your prompt response in submitting your renewal paperwork or processing your online renewal.

The only constant is change, continuing change, inevitable change, that is the dominant factor in society today. No sensible decision can be made any longer without taking into account not only the world as it is, but the world as it will be.

— Isaac Asimov

Change Happens

Please remember that all changes to your license or practice must be reported to the Board office within 60 days of the change.

Changes in name, address, scope of practice, employer, withdrawal of a partner or shareholder as well as changes in the legal form of practice are required to be reported to the office.

Do you have input regarding topics for the CPA Matters publication?

We would like the CPA Matters publication to be of interest and helpful to you and we are always interested in hearing from licensees.

If you have any suggestions for topics to be covered in the newsletter, please email Pam at pivey@wyo.gov.



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