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President's Message Notice of Annual Meeting-September 27, 2015 Dale W. Martinson, EA August 2015

Dear Fellow MiSEA Members,

My first year as the President of the Michigan Society of Enrolled Agents is slowly coming to a close as we gather for the MiSEA 2015 Annual Conference at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island on September 27th through September 29th. The MiSEA Annual Meeting will occur on September 27, 2015 at this year's conference. An important action at our Annual Meeting is the election of directors by the members of our chapter.

As a reminder, every member who attends our Annual Meeting can vote on the slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. This year we have four board positions up for election. The slate presented by our Nominating Committee will be included in a separate document in this email to all members. Our by-laws also provide for any MiSEA member to be presented at the meeting as a candidate for any board position that the member has an interest in running as a candidate for our board. So if you are interested in serving on our board, be sure to attend our seminar and annual meeting and nominate yourself for a position. I would like to thank our current board and officers for their hard work over the past year and look forward to the challenges of the upcoming year.

Also during this year's Annual Conference, there will be a MiSEA Board Meeting at 9:00 am on September 27, 2015. All current MiSEA members are invited to attend. If you plan to attend, please email Mary Medonis at info@misea.org.

Our Education Committee has published a calendar of seminars through May of 2016 and is working to finish it through two calendar years. Be sure to visit our website, www.misea.org to see the current calendar of events. Also watch for your new website which will be up shortly.

For those members that do not have a contingency plan in place in the case of illness or disability, we are introducing the "Michigan SOS Plan. It offers a possible solution if you are unable to work during tax season.

Our new board members and officers will all have significant work to do in their positions or on committees that they serve on. We would like to expand the number of members on each committee as the more hands we have, the easier the work load is on each one of us. So I reach out to all of you to consider offering to work on one of our committees: Membership, Education, By Laws, Public Awareness or Sponsorship. If you have an interest in one of these committees, drop me a note or call me to discuss how you can get more involved.

Many of you know our former President, Tim Dilworth. He has moved to Kalispell, Montana and has opened his own practice. Tim has been nominated for Secretary-Treasurer of the NAEA. So let's give him our support by reviewing the candidate profiles and voting in the next National Elections.

NAEA has just announced an AFFILIATE CHALLENGE. They are asking all members to go to the NAEA website and complete their online profiles. In addition to potentially growing your business, your Society could win;

- **First Prize: \$500 plus APEX hotel and travel and one year of EA Journal CE**
- **Second Prize: \$250 and the choice of an affiliate-branded tablecloth or banner.**
- **Third Prize: \$150**

The challenge runs from May 15 to October 15.

What is a complete profile? Your profile is considered complete when your basic contact information as well as practice type, experience in taxation, languages spoken and list of specialties are published. Text boxes for entering a short biography or practice description are not required. For questions, email info@naea.org

It has been a pleasure to serve as President over the last year and I look forward seeing all of you at the Annual Meeting and other future events.

Sincerely,

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