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President's Message Dale W. Martinson, EA October 2015

Dear Fellow MiSEA Members,

And so it begins, the Annual Conference is over, elections have been held and the new Board of Directors had their first official meeting on October 21st at 2:00 pm at Maggiano's in Troy.

I would like to thank outgoing board members Linda Bonham, EA and John Acker, EA for their many years of dedicated service to the MiSEA as well as our former Secretary, Bob Jacob, EA. I also welcome Robert Blehm, EA, Deidre Stokes EA, and Gerard Voss, EA to the 2015-2016 Board of Directors, Thomas Johnson EA as our new Secretary, and all returning Officers and Directors. I look forward to a productive year.

Speaking of "Productive", I am reaching out to **you**, the members and invite you to consider helping your Society and join a committee. The Committees for consideration are Education, By-Laws, Budget, Government Relations, Membership, Nominating, Ethics & Professional Conduct and Public Relations. We will publish descriptions on the website for your review and consideration. If you have an interest in serving on one of these committees please drop me a note or call me to discuss how you can get more involved.

As previously mentioned the NEW **MiSEA website** is live and functioning. Please check it out and let us know what you think. 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 at www.misea.org to see the current calendar of events.

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. We will be posting information about it on the website soon.

Just a reminder, National Elections for the 2015-2016 fiscal year begin November 30th. Please don't forget to vote!

It's not too late to participate in the "AFFILIATE CHALLENGE". NAEA is requesting that all members visit the NAEA website (www.naea.org) 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

I am looking forward to an exciting new year and would like to hear from all of you.

Sincerely,

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