



# The Nugget

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## September Dinner Meeting

- Date:** September 2006
- Speaker:** TBA
- Topic:** TBA
- Times:** 6:00 pm Networking  
6:30 pm Dinner
- Cost:** \$30 with reservations  
\$35 late reservations, walk-ins
- Location:** Sacramento Hilton Hotel  
2200 Harvard, Sacramento  
(Capital City Freeway & Arden Way)

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**Will be available in next month's newsletter**

**Reservations:** Reservations instructions will be provided in the September newsletter

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## **Student Section Accounting Society – CSUS**

This section contains information about meetings and other student-related activities planned for the semester. Here is a message from Laura Holmes, Accounting Society President:

While summer might be relaxing for some, the board of the Accounting Society, the Student Chapter of the IMA, has been working hard to ensure a fantastic semester. We will have six general meetings, open to members of both the Accounting Society and the IMA. Presentations from various accounting firms, ranging from the Big 4 to smaller, regional firms will be given. Topics will include information pertinent to members going through the Fall recruiting season. Our newsletter will also have information for students on how to go through recruiting. Any tips would be included, so if you have any suggestions, please email Crystal Hedlund at [crystalinas1@yahoo.com](mailto:crystalinas1@yahoo.com). We also have our typical end of the semester banquet, on December 8<sup>th</sup> to look forward to. Meet the Firms will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup>, where firms from the Sacramento Region will set up booths in hopes to recruit new hires. As always, the semester will be filled with office tours, held mostly on Thursdays and Fridays, touring local firms. We will also have social events, which have yet to be decided. We will keep the Sacramento Chapter of IMA updated on these events as they come up! We hope that you will be able to attend some of these events.

The Accounting Society is looking for speakers for some of their meetings. There are available speaking opportunities on October 12<sup>th</sup>, October 19<sup>th</sup>, and November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**All IMA members are welcomed and encouraged to attend any of these events**

**1<sup>st</sup> General Meeting – September 21**

Institute of Management Accountants  
American Society of Women Accountants  
Becker CPA Review  
Intel

**2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting – September 28**

The Reznick Group  
Roger CPA Review  
Pacific Coast Building Products

**3<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting – October 12<sup>th</sup>**

Franchise Tax Board  
Macias, Gini & O'Connell LLC  
Additional Firm – TBA

**4<sup>th</sup> General Meeting – October 19<sup>th</sup>  
(IMA Student Night)**

Institute of Management Accountants  
Dept of the Interior  
Additional Firm – TBA

**5<sup>th</sup> General Meeting – November 8<sup>th</sup>**

(Joint with Beta Alpha Psi)  
Enterprise Rent-a-Car

**6<sup>th</sup> General Meeting – November 30<sup>th</sup>**

Nakano Realty and Mortgage  
Moss Adams, LLC  
Additional Firm – TBA

# The Return of the CMA and CFM Study Group

This fall, the chapter is planning to organize another study group for those interested in becoming certified as a CMA or CFM. We hope to have you join us so we can learn from each other and help each other pass all four parts of the certification. Our study group will probably meet about once a week at a location to be determined by the participants' convenience and schedule. We will be covering one part of the test a week, which will also be determined by our participants. If you are interested in participating, you can contact us by email or voicemail. Please contact Mike Kulawiak at [kulawiaknc@earthlink.net](mailto:kulawiaknc@earthlink.net) or (916) 705-6180. Mike will organize the study group and contact you with details on the dates, times, locations, and exam parts to be covered.

During the past year, several members from our chapter passed various parts of the exam and we also had two members receive their certifications. We hope to continue this trend and look forward to supporting candidates in their efforts.

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## Congratulations!

We would like to extend congratulations to **Inder Wadhwa** on passing **Part I** of the **CMA exam**. We would also like to congratulate **William Crow** for earning the **CFM certification**.

The chapter would like to recognize other members who have recently passed parts of the CMA and CFM exams, as well as those who have received their certifications. Please notify Sharon Nichols at [chirpy@comcast.net](mailto:chirpy@comcast.net) or call (916) 204-0848 with the good news. Look forward to hearing from you and good luck to all.

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## Welcome New Members to the IMA Sacramento Chapter #134

Sue Huscroft	Regular Member	Hewlett Packard
Joseph Crowley	Associate Member	
Synthia Silveira	Associate Member	
Barry Folkens	Regular Member	Rochelle Foods Hormel

Welcome to our chapter, please come to our next meeting and get to know other members in our chapter. Hope to see you there. Our next meeting will be next month September at the Hilton Hotel (Business 80 & Arden Way). Reservation information will be included in the next newsletter.

**Sacramento Chapter #134  
2006-2007  
Officers and Directors**

President	Jacqui Anderson*	(916) 628-1429 (h)	jacquianderson448@msn.com
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National IMA Website	<a href="http://www.imanet.org">www.imanet.org</a>

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**Newsletter and Website Contributions Deadlines**

Deadline for submitting Newsletter and Website contributions need to be made by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. You can submit your contributions to Sharon Nichols and there are two ways to contact her. You can contact her by phone at (916) 204-0848 or by email at [chirpy@comcast.net](mailto:chirpy@comcast.net).

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**Important Notice – Zip Code Correction**

The zip code for the IMA P.O. Box was incorrectly published in last month’s Nugget. The correct address is:

Institute of Management Accountants  
P. O. Box 13072  
Sacramento, CA **95813-3072**

**2006-07 Board of Directors – Vacant Positions**

As you can see we are still looking for volunteer to fill several vacant positions. If you are interested in an opportunity to develop your leadership skills, give back to the chapter, and/or make new friends come join the board. So if you would like to fill one of these vacancies please contact Jacqui Anderson at [jacquianderson448@msn.com](mailto:jacquianderson448@msn.com) or one of the other board members (see Board of Directors Listing for contact information).

Fund Raising	OPEN
Meeting Attendance	OPEN
Education Programs	OPEN

**Chapter Sponsorship**

We would like to thank Accountemps for its sponsorship at the monthly technical meetings in 2006. Accountemps can be contacted nationwide at (800) 803-8367 or locally in Sacramento at (916) 922-4480. We have also placed a link to Accountemps’ home page on the Sacramento Chapter web site.

**Employment Opportunities**

The Sacramento Chapter of the IMA publishes free of charge employment opportunities in the accounting area to member and member companies, employment agencies excluded. We offer the same service to members looking for employment. Confidentiality is maintained when requested. Contact Sharon Nichols at (916) 456-9121 or by email [chirpy@comcast.net](mailto:chirpy@comcast.net).

**Volunteer Opportunity**

**Junior Achievement of Sacramento is seeking CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS!** Please contact Michael Lee (IMA Member and Junior Achievement Board Member) at (916) 732-2906 for additional information. Junior Achievement provides financial literacy programs in the local 1<sup>st</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms. You can even be the guest speaker in your child’s classroom or after school program!

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of  
The Institute of Management Accountants/Sacramento Chapter  
July 8, 2006 – La Bou, Roseville (1251 Baseline Road)**

**In Attendance:**

Linus Li, John March, Sharon Nichols, Jacqui Anderson, and Andrew Delgado

Jacqui called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.

**Jacqui Anderson, President** - Jacqui will cancel the Sept 21<sup>st</sup> IMA meeting and check on availability with hotel on another date. Sharon will change newsletter to have Accounting Society on ½ front page and put dates, topics and speaker information. Move speaker information to another page. By having the student chapter & IMA co-sponsor the meeting and this way it can count as CPE. Andrew to give Sharon information on speaker on those meetings.

**Coleen Wollam, Secretary (Absent)** – John made the motion to approve the June minutes, Sharon seconded and the motion passed.

**Linus Li, Treasurer** – Linus passed out the budget for 2006-2007. He received information from Mary Ann and Linus will prepare May, June, and July Treasurer reports by next board meeting. Went over items listed and also added monies under membership section. Still need budget information from Vern and Jacqui and will hold on until Vern comes back. We will be charging students \$40 membership for new members. Jacqui and Sharon will meet with Scholarship Committee at CSUS. Josh Oberg was not given the scholarship by Sac State that we awarded to him. Linus motioned that we pay Josh out of the Bob Yoho Scholarship Fund, John seconded and the motion was passed. Action item for Sharon – get information from Laura on contact at CSUS. We will await making a decision on offering a scholarship for the Fall or Spring until we receive information on how to handle the past semester's scholarship.

Signature cards currently have Sharon Nichols and Mary Ann Barker on them as authorized signers of checks. The change for this year is to keep Sharon Nichols as authorized signer and to change Linus Li as the other new authorized signer and drop Mary Ann Barker. John March made a motion to have Linus Li and Sharon Nichols as authorized signers for the 2006-2007 year, Andrew Delgado seconded and the motion passed.

**Education, Vern Hughes (Absent)** – Revisit the ethics issue after what council is going to do.

**John March, Membership** – National literature for membership was available. Lien was given list for membership expired to contact. List needs to come back to parent chapter.

**Linus Li, Finance and Administration** – Linus stated that the new chapter competition criteria has not been published yet. We won't get the criteria until late July or August. He sent an updated list of chapter officers and directors to National. Linus will contact National to request an updated membership list for the roster. Sharon and Linus will be working on the roster to get it ready to submit in September for the chapter roster competition. Robert Hulin took pictures for us at conference. Silicon Valley (S) – 1<sup>st</sup>, Stockton (W) – 9<sup>th</sup> and Sacramento (S) – 13<sup>th</sup>. There was a Brown Bag round table on governmental & non profit management. Professor Mackey was a presenter at the Las Vegas Conference, his topic was "Is your accounting system ready for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?" Next year's conference is going to be in Phoenix, AZ.

**Sharon Nichols, Communications** – Sharon has set the 11<sup>th</sup> of July as the deadline for the newsletter so it can go to Linus by the July 17<sup>th</sup> in order to get published. Need from Jacqui – President's message and Annual

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message. Deadlines for August will be August 1<sup>st</sup> and for September will be August 25<sup>th</sup>. Laura will send contact information for scholarship committee. Linus will get in contact with Josh for payment.

**Sharon Nichols, Webmaster** – Sharon stated that the website has changed all of the logos from the old to the new one. She will add the June and July newsletters to the website.

**Old business** – None

**New Business** – August board meeting, date to be determined. Jacqui will send an email about the date.

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Linus seconded, and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 am.

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**Web Page Sponsors Needed**

To offset the cost of our publications and web site, the chapter is offering to post your logo on our web site as a chapter sponsor. To cost for us to place your logo on a page and link it to your web site is \$10 per month or \$100 per year for each page your logo appears. Thank you for your support.

Send payment to: Institute of Management Accountants  
Advertising  
Sacramento Chapter #134  
P. O. Box 13072  
Sacramento, CA 95813-3072

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**Annual Chapter Roster**

We will be publishing the annual chapter roster in September. The roster will provide information on the chapter’s operations, as well as activities and events planned throughout the year. The roster will also contain contact information of our members. This information has been extracted from the IMA national office’s database. If you have any updates or corrections to make to your contact info (address, phone, email, employer name), please be sure to notify Sharon Nichols ([chirpy@comcast.net](mailto:chirpy@comcast.net) or (916) 204-0848) by September 8.



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**Forwarding Address Correction Requested**

**INFORMATION UPDATE (Please Print)**

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 Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
 New/Current Business  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 New Home:  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 I prefer to stay with my present chapter \_\_\_\_\_. I prefer to affiliate with the \_\_\_\_\_ chapter  
 Your signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 (National requires your signature for any changes)  
 Please send all IMA correspondence to my Business Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this form to: Institute of Management Accountants, P.O. Box 13072, Sacramento, CA 95813-3072  
 Or email it to Sharon Nichols at [chirpy@comcast.net](mailto:chirpy@comcast.net) if you prefer.