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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well January is over and I hope everyone survived 1099s, W-2s and the rest! The speaker committee has put together a great program for this month's meeting. I hope you will be able to attend. Please RSVP to Vicki at vickistmartin@cox.net by Saturday, February 18th.

Vicki St. Martin
President

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

The January meeting was canceled.

FEBRUARY MEETING

On February 21, 2012 at 11:30am at Mulligan's Restaurant, the Santa Barbara Bookkeeper's Association will present [Kristi Rothschild](#) of Rothschild & Associates, Attorneys at Law, specializing in California employment law. Ms. Rothschild will be discussing California classifications of employees (employees v. independent contractors) and types of employees (exempt v. non-exempt, i.e. salaried vs. hourly) and how this affects what has to show up on employee paystubs.

Lunch is \$15 and will be Chinese Chicken Salad.

Kristi Rothschild began her legal career in 1995, starting as a legal secretary in firms throughout Ventura County. Finding the law a good fit, she enrolled at Southern California Institute of Law, Graduating *Cum Laude* in 2001. Following law school, Kristi practiced insurance coverage litigation for several years prior to entering the realm of employment law. Her employment law experiences began by reviewing policies and procedures on behalf of Santa Barbara-area employers, primarily in the construction industry. Recognizing the need for better education of the legal rights and responsibilities of both employers and employees, Kristi joined Anticouni & Associates in 2009. Following that firm's closure, Kristi opened Rothschild & Associates, APC, a firm dedicated solely to employment litigation. Her practice has and will continue to encompass both employer and employee representation.

IRS Webinar re: Worker Classification

A critical issue for all businesses is properly classifying workers as employees or independent contractors.

The Internal Revenue Service presents a [webinar](#), Worker Classification, on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 2 p.m. ET.

SBBA is an organization of (mostly) free-lance bookkeepers.

The purpose of the organization is to exchange information, increase our contacts and educate ourselves through our peers.

We have been in existence since 1991.

We publish a member roster as needed, and referral lists in November and May.

We are currently over 100 members strong.

Dues are \$60 each year - due on September 30.

We meet the third Tuesday of most months, at 11:30 am at Mulligans Café (at the SB Municipal Golf Course), where we have lunch and oftentimes a speaker. The cost is \$15.00 for each monthly luncheon meeting.

Website
www.sbbaonline.org

Program Manager for Employment Tax Compliance Policy, Anita Bartels, will present information about worker classification issues and the Voluntary Classification Settlement Program including:

- Defining workers as employees and independent contractors
- What to consider in determining a worker's status
- Looking at important Forms SS-8 and 8919
- How to treat corporate officers
- Determining if you qualify for federal employment tax relief under Section 530

Viewers can [register](#) online any time before the start of the webinar and download a calendar reminder.

A Certificate of Competition will not be offered for this webinar.

The webinar will be available on demand on the [IRS Video Portal](#) three weeks after the original program airs. Also as a part of its outreach delivery suite, IRS offers National/Local Webinars for Small Businesses and video and audio presentations on a variety of tax topics, all of which are free.

GUEST SPEAKERS SCHEDULE

Please check the website for upcoming events at sbbaonline.org

Happy Valentines' Day to you all from this month's newsletter editor!!!

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Contact the Newsletter Committee by calling or emailing any one of the following committee members. Deadline for information to be included in the Newsletter is the 5th of each month:

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