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PRESIDENT'S REPORT **By Eric Hansen**

It's time for me to say a big THANK YOU! I want to share why. The reason, I became and continue to be an NSIA member and NSA member. Let me share what it has meant to me personally and professionally.

First, a little background. I graduated from UNO in 1975 with a business degree ... personnel management stressed. My bookkeeping/accounting experience started by doing some friends small business books while still in college, making a few bucks, using the "Hansen Method" of accounting. Two of these businesses had the same CPA, who I met with at yearend explaining my amazing set of "Hansen Method" ledgers.

I learned that I enjoyed balancing, doing books and accounting (the real kind). In 1977 the CPA asked if I wanted to join him, learn from him and hang out my own shingle. I had six, whole of my own clients! The CPA offered to slide some of his overflow work my way and pay me \$4.50/hour. With a two-year-old son his hourly offer was the difference of me making it or not. My journey into tax prep, preparing monthly financials and convincing clients I knew what I was doing (even when I didn't) began. As time went on, I was not licensed or certified by anybody. That bothered me.

I attended seminars in Omaha and Lincoln and met a few NSIA members. Practitioners like me. Rodale Emken asked me to attend a board meeting. After becoming a NSIA member he nudged me towards joining NSA. As an NSA member I learned about the Accreditation Council for Accountancy & Taxation (ACAT). They offered credentials and certificates that told my clients a national organization said Eric Hansen was qualified, presented me w certificate, and gave me standards to follow to retain my accreditation.

NSIA and NSA helped make ME proud of ME. I have also made life-long friends across Nebraska through NSIA and being active in NSA, fantastic friends in many, many states. These are both personal and professional friends. How can one put a value on this resource?

I have served on NSIA and NSA boards over a 20-year period helping other practitioners grow, learn, and become ... well, become better just as the two organizations offered me. I grew because I joined, and I'm better in so, so many ways ... personally and professionally. So, I can't say Thank You enough to NSIA and NSA. I'm very grateful.

NSIA LEGISLATURE REPORT

By Ken Brauer

Are you tired of political ads yet? Did you vote early this year?

In the past, I complained about all the political mail I got in an election year. Now, the amount of mailings has not only increased, but the amount of emails and texts has also increased and it has become down-right annoying. The amount of misleading information and miss-information is making the election process also down-right scary.

I do want to see an increase in voter turnout, but only if the voters are adequately informed and have truly looked at the background and records of all candidates and their opposition running for a political office, and both sides of proposed initiative and referendum petitions on the ballot. If I find something on the ballot that I was not expecting, I leave the item blank rather than find out later I voted the wrong way.

Should you vote yes or no to retain a Judge? See the link below to get the “Voters’ Guide to Nebraska’s Judicial Retention Elections”. My ballot had nine judges to vote on. I voted ‘yes’ on eight and ‘no’ on one judge based on the performance report survey from attorneys.

Even if you have already voted early, I think everyone will find the following information and resources helpful for this election as well as future elections:

- To get a sample ballots, see election night results, go to: www.sos.nebraska.gov/elections/2024-elections

- If you voted by absentee ballot, did you know you can track your ballot to be sure it has been received and accepted? Go to: www.votercheck.necvr.ne.gov/voterview

- For information on the 2024 Judicial Performance Evaluation results, go to:

www.nebar.com and click on the scrolling link at top of page or link at bottom of page.

- For information on proposed initiative and referendum petitions, go to:

www.sos.nebraska.gov/elections/2024-elections and scroll down to ‘Pamphlet for 2024 Ballot Measures’.

Helpful Resources: (the websites listed below not only include some of the information referenced above, but also many more links to useful resources)

nebar.com: Nebraska State Bar Association

sos.nebraska.gov: Nebraska Secretary of State

supremecourt.nebraska.gov/self-help: Nebraska Online Legal Self-Help Center

nebraskalegislature.gov/feature/citizen/php: State Senator and other State Legislature information

NSIA continues to monitor the activities of the Nebraska Legislature and the State Board on behalf of our members since our membership consists of both non-licensed accountants and CPA’s. If at any time you have any questions or concerns regarding Legislature or State Board activities, feel free to contact Ken Brauer at ken@brauerassoc.com or at (402) 488-2400.

We Need Your Input, Comments, Questions, and Suggestions!

The NSIA Board is wanting to know what else we can do to serve our members. We know that with technology continually changing and expanding, it is hard to keep up with the latest and greatest tech to help us and not actually waste more of our time. Some of us are more tech savvy than others and one of NSIA's goals has always been to help each other in our profession. We need your help:

- ♦ Would a Community Chat on our website be helpful?

Topic areas might include: Office tips and tricks that work in your office; What you have found that doesn't work in your office; What tax or accounting software works for you and why; What concerns you most about the current state of our profession.

- ♦ Would more live seminars be helpful and at more locations?
- ♦ Would more webinars be helpful?
- ♦ What would you like to see added or expanded on in our newsletter?

NSIA is here to serve you, our members. Please contact Ken Brauer at ken@brauerassoc.com, Mandy David at mdnsia@hotmail.com or any of the other NSIA Board members with your input, comments, questions, and suggestions. Thanks in advance for your help!



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT
By Mandy David

As always, it was great to see Paul Neiffer and Bob Jennings for our farm and social security seminars this past September. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend. Our last seminars this year will be November 7-8, 2024 in Lincoln with the topic being federal tax update for both individual and business. You can find the brochure on our website at www.nebsia.net. Not much new to report. No 2025 seminars are set yet. Have a great Halloween!

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THETAXBOOK SERIES	Quantity	Price	Cost
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Depreciation	x	\$89 \$75	= \$
TTB WEBLIBRARY	Quantity	Price	Cost
WebLibrary Plus 1st User	x	\$349 \$299	= \$
WebLibrary Plus Add Users	x	\$159	= \$
WebLibrary 1st User	x	\$209 \$179	= \$
WebLibrary Add Users	x	\$119	= \$
TTB CLIENT HANDOUTS	Quantity	Price	Cost
Client Handouts	x	\$199 \$159	= \$
Client Handouts Add User	x	\$79	= \$
TTB ONLINE HOURS	Quantity	Price	Cost
20 Online CPE Hours	x	\$219 \$175	= \$
8 Online CPE Hours	x	\$139 \$110	= \$
2 Online CPE Hours	x	\$59 \$45	= \$

STEP 2: TOTAL QUANTITY & COST COLUMNS

Total Quantity of All Items **A** Total Cost **B** \$

STEP 3: CALCULATE QUANTITY DISCOUNT

Order Any 3 Items, Save \$15!	Total Quantity of All Items (from STEP 2)	Quantity Discount Per Item			Quantity Discount
		1-2 Items	3-10 Items	11+ Items	
	A (items) x	\$0 per item	\$5 per item	\$7 per item	= \$ C

STEP 4: CALCULATE SHIPPING FOR BOOKS

Call for international orders.	Total Quantity of TheTaxBook Series	TheTaxBook Shipping Charge Per Book			Shipping Charge
		1-2 Books	3-10 Books	11+ Books	
	(books) x	\$11 per book	\$9 per book	\$7 per book	= FREE D

STEP 5: CALCULATE SUBTOTAL

Total Cost (from STEP 2)	Quantity Discount (from STEP 3)	TheTaxBook Shipping Charge (from STEP 4)	Order Cost
B	- C	+ D FREE	= \$

STEP 6: FINALIZE YOUR ORDER

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Order Total	Order Cost (from STEP 5) + Sales Tax	= \$

STEP 7: NEW! AUTO-RENEW MY ORDER (OPTIONAL)

☐ YES! Auto-renew my order to repeat next year. Details at thetaxbook.com/autorenewal.

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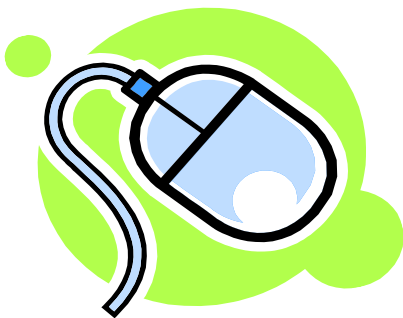
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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2024:

Nov 7 **Federal Tax Update Seminar- Individual**
Presented by Jennings Seminars

Nov 8 **Federal Tax Update Seminar- Business**
Presented by Jennings Seminars

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