

“Welcoming Words...”

Ever since you were a little girl or boy you have always dreamed about working in a payroll department, right? (lol) Since your dream has come true your next step is to find other people that reached their career goal in payroll as well and learn from each other!

As payroll professionals we are challenged by the always changing government regulations, as well as the everyday payroll happenings, and what better way to do this than to meet with like people once a month and talk “payroll”! Ok, I know most **OTHER** people would say that this yells “GEEK”, but not us! We know what we are and embrace our path in life with elegance and grace and, of course, a sense of humor. You just can’t make it through without that. I mean, c’mon, how do you not laugh when someone asks you to put a stop payment on a W-2?

I certainly hope to see you at a future meeting! Say “Hi” when you see me. :-)

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“Getting involved in the payroll chapter has grown my payroll network and knowledge by leaps and bounds.”

West MI Chapter Member

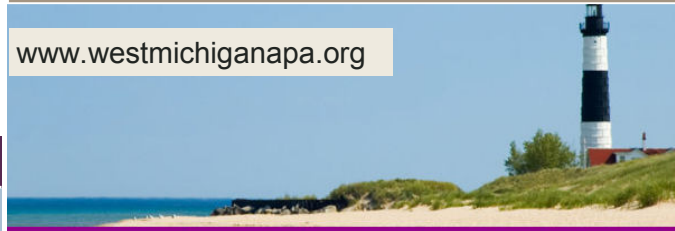
Get Involved! We need You!

We are always looking for people that want to become more involved with the Chapter. We have many volunteer committees that can always use an extra hand.

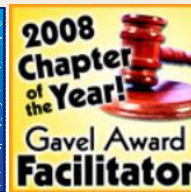
Volunteer today! Talk with one of the officers at a meeting or go on the website at www.westmichiganapa.org, click on the Contact Us and send us a message!

- Statewide committee
- Study group committee
- Various Executive Board committees such as membership, facility, publicity, etc.
- Presenting a topic at a monthly meeting
- Many more.....

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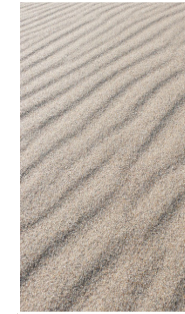


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**We've come
a long way!**

Check us out on-line!

In September 2010 we revamped our website! Members can now log in and edit their profile, register for meetings and have their information auto populated. *This is just one improvement.* There are many more with a cleaner user experience, ability to register your own e-mail address to receive WMC meeting notices, check out our newsletter for exciting news and information and see what is coming up for the next month's meeting!

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Michigan Statewide Payroll Conference >>>

The West Michigan Chapter participates in the Michigan Statewide Payroll Conference each year. This conference provides professional and personal growth to participants with educational, networking and vendor inquiry opportunities.



Chapter Information

The West Michigan Chapter of the American Payroll Association was founded in 1997 in order to advance the payroll profession in our area. Membership is open to all who wish to focus on growing within their field, as well as becoming active in our networking opportunities. Many contacts and friendships have been developed within our group.

Our Purpose >>>

To promote scholarship and professionalism in the field of payroll administration

To advance recognition for payroll

To promote higher standards of performance in the field of payroll administration

To promote fellowship and communication among payroll practitioners

Membership >>>

As the complexities of payroll administration become more recognized and demanding, it becomes even more important to stay informed of the many issues constantly affecting our profession.

Membership has its privileges!

A reliable, convenient and accurate source of information as it relates to our industry

Informative and timely topics presented by knowledgeable speakers

Annual CPP/FPC Review Study Group

Network opportunities with other local payroll professionals

Access to the members only area of our website for job postings, special announcements, etc.

Monthly Meetings >>>

The Chapter meets every 2nd Wednesday of each month, exclusive of January. The monthly meeting cost is \$18.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members and includes dinner. A meeting notice is distributed, via e-mail, prior to each meeting.

Topics range in variety such as child support, wage and hour laws, expatriates, garnishments and recordkeeping. Be sure to sign up to receive the monthly meeting notice in your e-mail address.

Payroll Certifications >>>

The American Payroll Association sets the standards for payroll certification programs at two levels, Certified Payroll Professional (CPP) and Fundamental Payroll Certification (FPC).

Achieving these certifications grants a "valuable, objective credential that verifies a specified level of knowledge, skills and abilities in the payroll profession."



For more information go to
[www.americanpayroll.org/
certi.html](http://www.americanpayroll.org/certi.html)



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