Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association

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REGISTER NOW FOR THE 59th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2008 Annual Conference on Local Taxation and Finance of the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association will be held at the Sea Crest Oceanfront Resort & Conference Center on Old Silver Beach in North Falmouth, Sunday June 8th through Wednesday, June 11th.

*What's in the Works this Year to Help You **Work Smarter, Not Harder**?*

- **Monday will open with State Treasurer Tim Cahill addressing the Association on the State Budget and Local Aid, after which we will have a representative from of Group Insurance Commission discussing the Municipal Partnership for health insurance coverage. This will be followed by insightful ways in Dealing with Stress on the Job. Concluding with a lively discussion on the Development of Sound Financial Policies in this uncertain Stock Market .**
- **Steve Roche, our man on Beacon Hill, will update us on the progress of our legislation.**
- **Tuesday will open with Norm Bossio, a leading educator and management consultant who will share his experience and knowledge on Motivation and Leadership, brought to you by Citizens Bank. Of special interest to Treasurers will be a panel discussion on the Administration of 403b Tax Sheltered Annuity Plans. Of special interest to Collectors will be a panel of Tax Service Representatives who will discuss working with tax services to collect delinquent taxes. This will be followed by staff member of the Attorney General's Office and a banking official on how to prevent Cyber Crime and Check Fraud in local government.**
- **Wednesday morning will open with Gary Blau, MA DOR Property Tax Bureau Attorney, presenting Course #201 – A Review of New Legislation.**
- **The Conference will close with a Massachusetts Department of Revenue Bureau of Accounts team of experts testing your Collector's and Treasurer's knowledge in Single Jeopardy, Double Jeopardy and Final Jeopardy.**

Please Note - Certified Members Can Earn One Year's Credit Towards Re-Certification by Attending All Classes on Monday and Wednesday or on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Check Out The Detailed Conference Program At < www.MassCTA.com >

Your Education Committee encourages you to fill out your Evaluation Forms on all aspects of the Conference, and **Moody's Investor Services** will provide Door Prizes in a Drawing for those who submit an Evaluation Form

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- **Annual Meeting…We will hold the MCTA Annual Meeting and Election of Officers on Monday morning and the Installation Banquet on Tuesday night.**
- **Exhibitors - On both Monday and Tuesday, the Conference Exhibit Area will be open in the morning and you will have a full hour to review their products and services to get some new ideas. The Exhibit Area will be open again each day for extended hours in the afternoon. Do plan to visit in the afternoon, when the exhibitors will have more time to talk with you individually.**
- **Your attendance** and hard work will bring you some rewards of refreshment and entertainment:

On Monday

- Morning Coffee Break, courtesy of Bartholomew & Company
- Luncheon Cookout, co-sponsored by TD Banknorth and by Jeffery & Jeffery
- Ice Cream Social, sponsored by Financial Investors Trust
- Pre-Dinner Hors d'Oeuvre, hosted by The Bank of Western Massachusetts & Countywide Tax Services
- Cocktail and Dinner Music, co-sponsored by Peoples Bank and by Attorney Laura Brown
- After dinner, An Evening of Monte Carlo Fun, courtesy of Bank of America

On Tuesday

- Opening Speaker, sponsored by Citizens Bank
- Morning Coffee Break, courtesy of UniBank
- Delicatessen Buffet and Make-Your-Own-Tacos, hosted by First Southwest Co. and by CitiBank
- Afternoon Refreshments and Volley Ball, provided by Mellon Trust of New England
- Photo Coffee Mugs from Fun Enterprises, Inc., sponsored by Kelley & Ryan
- Pre-Dinner Hors d'Oeuvre, hosted by Century Bank and Blue Cross/Blue Shield
- Cocktail and Dinner Music, courtesy of Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank
- After Dinner, be entertained by Tony V, the Funniest Man in Massachusetts, sponsored by ING

Your Education Committee has been hard at work, and we think we're bringing you an outstanding program. The Conference gets off to an early and fast start on Monday morning, so we hope that you will arrive on Sunday afternoon, enjoy the beach, the evening Cape Cod Buffet, and the socializing in the Surf Lounge, and get ready for a full two and one-half days of educational activities.

If your budget is tight and your office staffing is thin, make a day trip or just stay over one night, but don't miss this opportunity to pick up ideas that can help you to ***work smarter, not harder.***

So … if you haven't reserved your room yet, please do it today. 155 of our 200 rooms have already been booked, based on the January hotel reservation letter. Our allotment of rooms at the Sea Crest will be held only until May 9th. If you are attending the conference, but not staying at the Sea Crest, send your request and payment for breakfast and dinner tickets directly to the hotel.

And if you would like to register for the Conference educational programs and exhibits by e-mail, go to www.MassCTA.com to fill out your registration.

SEE YOU AT THE SEA CREST!

Nancy Holt
MCTA President

Mike Hanlon
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NOTES ON SERVICE RECOGNITION AWARDS: Any Collector or Treasurer who will attain 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 or more years of service this year is urged to fill in the enclosed form and send it, attested to by your city, town or district clerk, to the MCTA office. If you attend the Conference, your service pin will be presented to you at the Conference at Tuesday evening's Annual Banquet. If you do not attend, your service pin will be mailed to you.