



## March 2019 Newsletter

### Message from the President



Snow, freezing rain, rain, crazy winds, and subzero temperatures has pretty much summed up our Wisconsin winter weather. Normally I don't mind winter as I enjoy downhill skiing but this winter has not been completely conducive to my outdoor activity. Now I am just over it and ready for spring, and it appears it may be finally here!

Even if good spring weather isn't around the corner the Annual meeting is. The meeting is June 13th and 14th and is being held in Green Bay at the Tundra Lodge and Waterpark (<http://www.tundralodge.com>), this is a great location to connect with colleagues and bring the family along for some great summer fun. Hotel rates are very reasonable and water park passes are included. For our Thursday night event the Lambeau Field Experience is in the works. Whether you are a football fan or not, the Packers have quite the history and Lambeau Field is legendary. As a proud owner of the team (this past year tested that) I am very much looking forward to a tailgate themed dinner and an amazing tour of Lambeau Field. Other items to watch for this year at the annual meeting

are the roll out of the chapter's membership campaign, the induction of members into the Great Lakes Hall of Fame, and nominations for the national Silver Bowl. Please watch for your invitation and registration in early April. Thank you to Tara Guler and Jared Kempel for your time and dedication to planning what I am sure will be another outstanding annual meeting.

In my last message I strongly encouraged you to become as involved in our Chapter as possible and take someone under your wings and bring them along. I continue to urge you to make the most of your membership and seek ways to develop your career and personal self within NSAC. Here are just some of the highlights of NSAC:

- cooperative learning opportunities via CLNs (which are free for members) and annual meetings at the local and national level
- networking and knowledge sharing with peers
- leadership opportunities at the local and national level (there are many opportunities within the Great Lakes chapter currently - give it a shot we are all here to help)
- lifelong personal relationships

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the annual meeting for some timely and relevant learning, networking, and of course fun. I encourage you to bring your family as well. See you in Green Bay!

Please feel free to contact me at any time for any reason, I can always be reached at [Rebecca.smith@clacconnect.com](mailto:Rebecca.smith@clacconnect.com)

## June 2019 Annual Chapter Meeting

**Where:** Tundra Lodge & Waterpark in Green Bay WI

**When:** June 13 and June 14, 2019

A special thanks to Tara Guler, Jared Kempel, and Todd Hoppe, our Time Place & Program Committee for organizing this year's event.

A separate notification will be coming soon with more details.

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## Message from National Director

### NSAC NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

Greetings to the members of one of the greatest NSAC chapters.

I recently attended the National mid-year winter board meeting in Dallas. Your national board is working diligently to deliver another excellent program for the Tax, Finance & Accounting Conference for Cooperatives (TF & ACC) to be held in Denver August 4-7. Please be watching for news via email regarding program and hotel registration information.

While we realize that not everyone can attend the TF & ACC, there are many other ways to stay connected. The Cooperative Learning Network (CLN) is an excellent CPE source, and the CLNs are "FREE" with your membership. The national board is also looking at other technology that will help provide useful and timely information to its members.

The National Website includes both National and Chapter information. If you are not able to access the website, please contact Jeff Roberts in the national office at [Info@nsaccoop.org](mailto:Info@nsaccoop.org).

The Chapter Newsletters are also a key to communication with our members. The quarterly newsletter helps the chapter leadership communicate key initiatives, provide member news, provide minutes, financial reports, membership information, as well as provide information for the next chapter annual meeting. If you or someone on your staff is not receiving the quarterly newsletter, please contact our editor, Keith Arnold at [Keith.Arnold@landmark.coop](mailto:Keith.Arnold@landmark.coop).

And last but not least, is The Co-operative Accountant (TCA) quarterly publication. The board and the editor, Frank Messina, are looking at options regarding electronic distribution, if you would select this option at the time you renew your membership. We are also looking to update the format while maintaining the same quality you have enjoyed and expected over the last 71 years. Frank is always looking for articles to include in the TCA and works diligently to assemble the publication each quarter. If you have written a contemporary accounting, finance, or tax article, or have read a relevant article, please let Frank know as others might also enjoy reading. Frank can be reached at [fmessina@uab.edu](mailto:fmessina@uab.edu). VOLUNTEERS make the DIFFERENCE, and this is true for any organization. If you would like to learn more about becoming more involved at the Chapter or National level, please contact Rebecca Smith, our Chapter President. We are looking to expand Chapter committees this year, so please let us know if you can assist.

Congratulations to the Great Lakes Chapter in another successful year for obtaining the necessary points in the Chapter Recognition Program (CRP) to receive the highest award of the program.

I sincerely hope to see you in Green Bay June 13th and 14th for another GREAT LAKES Annual Meeting, Networking, and CPE opportunity as well as family fun.

Thanks again, your National Director, Kent W. Erhardt

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## From The Treasurer...

Hello all. I hope things are well with everyone.



We finished 2018 with a net surplus of \$3,281 from our annual meeting. Our funds remain healthy over \$20K in checking and \$5.7K in CD's.

Thus far in 2019, there hasn't been much activity other than the board meeting and collection of some membership dues.

We will see more activity in the next few months as we begin registration for the annual chapter meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Ty Lein

## GREAT LAKES CHAPTER - NSAC TREASURER'S REPORT

**For the two month period ended February 28, 2019  
and the Year Ended December 31, 2018**

	2019	2018
<b>JANUARY 1 FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$26,650</b>	<b>\$23,676</b>
<b>JUNE ANNUAL MEETING</b>		
Registration Fees	-	7,730
Expenses	-	(4,449)
<b>Net Income (Loss) From Annual Meeting</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,281</b>
<b>A&amp;A SEMINAR REVENUE</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP DUES &amp; OTHER REVENUE</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>1,164</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>	<b>(867)</b>	<b>(1,572)</b>
<b>DOWN PMT /(REFUND) ON ANNUAL MEETING</b>		<b>(100)</b>
<b>PERIOD END FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$26,053</b>	<b>\$23,650</b>
<b>The fund balance at Feb. 28 and Dec. 31 is</b>		

held as follows:		
Checking	\$18,119	20,869
Certificates of Deposit	5,777	5,781
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,896</b>	<b>\$26,650</b>

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