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NATP announces winner of 2022 Chapter of the Year award

Arizona state chapter recognized for outstanding member communication

APPLETON, Wis. (Aug. 5, 2022) – For its superior work keeping members informed and involved throughout the year, the National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP) is proud to recognize Arizona as the winner of the 2022 Chapter of the Year competition.

New York took second place and New Jersey took third. Honorable mentions include Minnesota, New Hampshire and North Carolina chapters.

While NATP specializes and serves its members in federal tax issues, the local state chapters provide support, education and programming for NATP members on a state level. NATP members receive free membership to their local state chapter.

The Chapter of the Year program allows state chapters to compete with each other, regardless of their size, measuring member and prospective member engagement at events, communication efforts and overall membership growth.

“This is one of my favorite awards to announce because our chapters are an important part of local NATP member engagement,” said Jennifer Van Elzen, NATP’s director of member relations and analytics. “State chapter membership gives tax preparers throughout the country a local outlet to learn, network and grow in their careers. Arizona did an outstanding job keeping its members involved and informed throughout the year, which in turn helped them serve their local communities during the complicated 2022 tax season.”

The Arizona chapter regularly contributes to NATP’s weekly email newsletter sent to chapter members throughout the country, Chapter News, and sends pertinent and timely emails to its local chapter members, keeping them informed of local industry news and updates.

Due to these efforts, the chapter achieved a high attendance rate for regular meetings and saw a significant increase in membership last year.

“We take our membership needs very seriously,” said Liliana Davalos, NATP Arizona chapter president. “We saw the need for education in our state and worked hard to implement those topics. Sharing practice management topics and state topics generate interest in our education sessions. Additionally, we’re one of the first chapters to offer Spanish classes.”

New York took second place due in part to its frequent chapter meetings and communications. The New York chapter is known for offering outstanding education throughout the state and received the maximum number of points for member communication. New Jersey’s ability to



host members at events, including education and social events, played a large part in securing third place.

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