

The Tennessee Connection

TN NATP Chapter Newsletter

September 2025

Can you believe that it's been a month since we had our annual conference?

Our Board of Directors wanted to take this time to share some highlights from our recent event. First of all, we want to thank Melinda Garvin and A.J. Reynolds for being our instructors. What a great team they make! And we believe you would say the same. They have a unique way to make learning interesting while we soak it all in. They filled our heads with so much knowledge. We all agree that the OB3 (One Big Beautiful Bill) has so much in it that we could not get it all in one sitting. The fact that they both gave us time for interaction made learning fun which made the time go by so much faster. (I could hardly believe that it went by as quickly as it did.) And all the time and effort they put into getting everything together so quickly was greatly appreciated. Let's not take that lightly - it is hard work!

Next, we want to thank those of you who attended. You are the reason we do what we do. Let's continue coming to in-person learning and encourage others to join us. We appreciate the time and effort you made to come and participate in the meeting. It was a pleasure to get to know many of you.

We also want to thank the Murfreesboro Airport staff for working with us and making this a great place to meet. For those of you who remember where we were before, we had to set up, tear down, clean up and provide our own sound system; however at the airport, they take care of all that as well as giving us a good deal on the facilities. (Next year, we'll have a different room for all the food.)

And thanks to the Firey Pig crew, who were there bright and early each morning to provide all we could or want to eat all day. They did a great job and have agreed to come back next year! They loved you guys!

And finally, we couldn't do any of this without the help of our Board of Directors. Thank you guys for always being willing to take part in putting it all together and then, making sure we all get our CE/CPE credits when it's all over. Much work goes into putting all of this together, from deciding who we get as our instructor(s), registration fees, location, caterer or no, and then working with National to advertise, sending out emails, collect payments and sending our data to the IRS for us to receive our continuing education credits. So, we also want to thank National for all the hard work they do for us from start to finish. We could not do any of this without you!

Even while we were at the conference, things were taking place behind the scenes, such as...

1. Talking about next year's conference
2. Looking at surveys to see your thoughts and desires
3. Looking for new board members

And on that note, let's introduce our Board of Directors

Mark Curran, President - Knoxville



John King, Vice President - Hixson



Tim Pate, Secretary - Lewisburg



Sandy Chapman, Treasurer - Murfreesboro



Bruce Newman, Director - Dandridge



Mark Riddle, Director - Murfreesboro



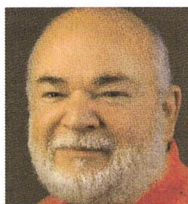
Mary Rogers, Director - Pikeville



Pamla McNeer, Director - Oakland



Greg Patrick, Director - Collierville

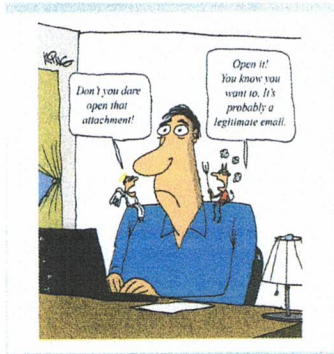


By the way Gregg, our Business and Technology Consultant, did an awesome job and definitely opened our eyes to a lot of ways cybercrooks are trying to infiltrate our businesses. And on that thought...



What is Phishing....Do you know?...

Phishing occurs when cyber-criminals send out an official-looking email to individuals posing as someone you know or from an organization you deal with asking you to forward info or money to them. (For example - Board members have received such emails from what looks like coming from the treasurer asking to send money to provided link and mention they will be reimbursed by the treasurer. Or in reverse, the treasurer receives an email asking them to make a payment on behalf of the chapter via the link provided.) Believe me, neither the Treasurer nor any officer would do that without personally talking to each other. So, if you ever receive this type of email, hover over their email address, as it tells who, then report and delete it - Never click on it!



We are planning other opportunities in the near future for us to network. **The next event we are hosting is at the NATP conference in Murfreesboro at the Doubletree Hotel on October 30 at 11:30 in the Hotel Restaurant.** I will be there, will you?

And then, we will have a webinar on Franchise & Excise Tax from the TN Department of Revenue on December 11th @ 10:00 central time.

We will keep you posted on others when they have been confirmed.

**SAVE THE DATE: 2026 TENNESSEE CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING
August 6th & 7th at Murfreesboro Airport Conference Center
with Melinda Garvin and A.J. Reynolds returning once again.**

Memories of the TN Chapter Conference at Murfreesboro Airport

