



Upcoming Seminars

May 21, 2026

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ELECTIONS

The NH/ME Elections were here at the Annual Meeting on October 23, 2025. Here is your new Board:

Officers: President -Ken Verrato
 Vice President – Louise Allen
 Treasurer – Chris Sawyer
 Secretary – Norma Boyce

Directors: Kimberly Perkins, Anna Houde, Scott Rosenthal, Patricia Sarcione, and Susan Merrill-Paul

Past President: Richard “Rich” Ganong

Feel free to ask questions or express your concerns to anyone on the Board.

Tax Season Message

A Note from the President — New Hampshire/Maine Chapter

Dear Chapter Members,

As the holiday season ends and we look ahead to another busy tax season, I wanted to take a moment to share a brief message with all of you. First and foremost, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to serve as president of our New Hampshire/Maine chapter. It is an honor to lead such a dedicated and professional group.

With tax season on the horizon, I encourage everyone to thoroughly review the latest tax laws and updates. I recently attended a national seminar in Manchester, which provided a wealth of valuable information. One key takeaway from the seminar was the importance of relying on accurate, professional guidance during times when misinformation is widespread—whether it comes from social media platforms like TikTok, online sources, or even well-meaning neighbors. As tax professionals, we are the trusted experts our clients turn to for clarity. Let's remind our clients not to believe everything they hear or read online or on TV about tax laws. They come to us for a reason, so let's continue to provide them with the knowledgeable support and care they deserve.

I would also like to extend a special thank you to our team of directors and officers. Your ongoing support and dedication make our collective success possible. Leadership is only as strong as the team behind it, and I am grateful to work alongside such committed colleagues. If you have ideas or suggestions, please bring them to me. I am eager to present them to the board and, if appropriate, to our national organization. Together, we can continue to build a vibrant and successful chapter—remember, there is no "I" in team.

In closing, I wish each of you a fantastic, prosperous tax season ahead. Thank you for all that you do!

Warm regards,

Ken Varrato Sr.

VOLUNTEERS ACCEPTED

Please keep in mind that if you would like to volunteer to serve on the Board of Officers and Directors, we would be more than happy to welcome you. We are a close-knit group that enjoys our duties and even has fun along the way. There is no intense manual labor involved – just a desire to provide the membership with the best leadership and education possible. And there are perks waiting for you – no-charge seminars and financial assistance to attend a National's Annual Conference (or an alternative National event approved by the Board.) So, do give it some thought.



How USPS Postmark Change Could Affect Mail Deadlines

Dates on mail now reflect when it's processed by the Postal Service, not when it's dropped off.

The U.S. Postal Service (USPS) implemented new procedures for dating mail on Dec. 24, postmarking letters and packages with the date they are processed at a postal facility rather than when they are dropped off in a mailbox — a shift that could affect whether time-sensitive mail is considered on time.

The USPS says the change is aimed at meeting strategic goals to cut costs and streamline mail processing by concentrating on a smaller number of facilities. But it could create real challenges for consumers dealing with deadline-driven mail matters this tax season and beyond, from IRS filings and Medicare documents to mail-in ballots and government benefit notices.

How to ensure mail is dated correctly

If you typically wait until the day before your tax deadline to mail your return, you might want to rethink simply by slipping it into a mailbox or post office receptacle. Instead, consider taking it inside the post office and choosing one of these in-person options to document that it was in USPS' hands ahead of a deadline:

- Request a manual postmark (also called a local postmark) to ensure the date matches when your item was accepted.
- Send by [registered](#) or [certified mail](#), methods that provide mailing receipts and tracking.
- Get a certificate of mailing. This works like a receipt, providing official proof of when an item was sent. Keep your copy; the USPS does not retain one. When it comes to meeting mailing deadlines, bear in mind that certificates of mailing do not provide tracking and, for some government institutions, do not override the postmark on the envelope. *(Source: AARP online, Aaron Kassraie, author,*

12/31/2025)

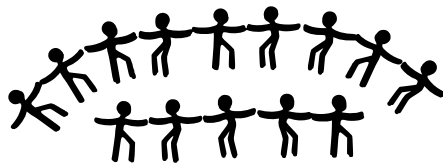
Welcome to NH NATP

On behalf of the Officers and Directors of the NH Chapter of NATP, we would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to the members of NH Tax and Accounting Professionals (NHTAP).

NHTAP is dissolving and Scott Rosenthal has been instrumental in working with National to have that group join us at NATP. To make the transition easier, National was able to offer a discount on the Professional membership. Thanks to Jennifer Van Elzen and her colleagues at National for all the work on this. And a special thanks to Sophia Milano of NHTAP for coordinating this effort. And, of course, a big thank you to Scott.

There are 55 members at NHTAP, 13 of which are all ready NH NATP members.

If you see new faces at our seminars, welcome them aboard!



A bit about VIRTUAL seminars

Scott Rosenthal is a highly valued member of the NH Chapter of NATP. He has worked tirelessly to bring us timely tax topic seminars presented by qualified, intelligent presenters.

He is also instrumental in moving the chapter toward emerging avenues of presentation – VIRTUAL SEMINARS.

Virtual Seminars allow you to connect to the presentation via your computer in your office. This is especially convenient if there is a storm on the day of the December seminar. It also removes the need to rise early and drive to the seminar.

The December 4, 2025 seminar was a virtual seminar with presentations from the NH, MASS, and VT tax folks. Thirty-seven members attended the presentation. It was well received by everyone.

Thank you, Scott, for all you do! We definitely appreciate it!



IRS Personnel Changes That Affect our Chapter

Joe McCarthy sent this important update on April 22, 2025

Due to significant staffing reductions at the IRS-particularly in the Stakeholder Liaison division-both Nancy and I have opted to leave the IRS under a deferred resignation program. You may have heard this referred to in the press as “the fork in the road.” While we will technically remain IRS employees through the end of September, we will soon be placed on administrative leave and unable to perform our official duties.

Given the staffing changes, I’m not sure who, if anyone, will be stepping into our roles. If you need to reach Stakeholder Liaison in the future, I recommend using the contact information found here: [IRS Stakeholder Liaison Local Contacts](#).

We’ll be keeping an eye on developments and updating our resources accordingly.

From Nancy Feliciano, NH Stakeholder Liaison (Apr 30, 2025)

Due to significant staffing reductions at the IRS in general and in Stakeholder Liaison in particular, I will be leaving the IRS. This means that while I will still technically be an IRS employee until the end of September I will soon be placed on administrative leave and be unable to perform any of my official job duties.

Before I leave the IRS, I just wanted to let you know that it has been my absolute pleasure to work with you over the years. As I always say ... working with tax practitioners, small business owners and others always has been the very best part of my job!

I am looking forward to the next phase of my life and I wish you all the best in the future.

Also, due to the significant staffing reductions, I am not sure who if anyone will be taking my place. If you wish to contact Stakeholder Liaison in the future I suggest you use the contact information in the following link: [\[https://www.irs.gov/.../stakeholder-liaison-local-contacts\]](https://www.irs.gov/.../stakeholder-liaison-local-contacts)(<https://www.irs.gov/.../stakeholder-liaison-local-contacts>) or contact our SL Area by sending an email to [\[cl.sl.area.2@irs.gov\]](mailto:cl.sl.area.2@irs.gov)(<mailto:cl.sl.area.2@irs.gov>) or call [\[412-404-9151\]](tel:412-404-9151)(<tel:412-404-9151>).

Feel free to share this information with your members.

Most sincerely,

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We will sorely miss Joe and Nancy.

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