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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Mark A. Albright, CFP®, CRPC®

Hello all,

Well congratulations, looks like we made it! It has been a trying year for sure, but in spite of the challenges, I feel great about what we have accomplished.

I truly appreciate everyone's involvement over the course of the year. Thank you to all who chose to look for the opportunities amid the uncertainty instead of using it as an excuse to mail it in.

Specifically, I would like to thank the members of our board. They did an incredible job navigating a difficult environment and leaving our chapter in better shape at the end of the year than the beginning. Membership has been steady, partners have remained committed, and we have managed the finances of the chapter prudently to allow for flexibility in keeping member costs affordable.

Our chapter executive, Brandy Johnson, has done a phenomenal job in coordinating all this change and has been instrumental behind the scenes as part of our involvement as a OneFPA Beta Test Chapter. She is a valuable resource, and we are grateful to have her back.

We have attempted to use this year to try some new ways to connect with members and add value wherever possible. Some of these learnings, such as our virtual meetings are sure to have a lasting impact.

That said, we are certainly anxious to get back in person and are hoping to kick that off with a larger flagship symposium in the summer.

Next year, Tyler Landes will be taking over as President and we have some fresh faces on the board who are eager to keep things moving forward. Planning is well under way for a new revamped schedule of events and we are looking to make it easier to plug into other opportunities that allow you to make the most of your FPA membership.

In any one of our FPA chapter meetings, there is a tremendous collection of talented individuals who possess significant experience in our industry. There is so much we can learn from each other and that culture of support is something that we want to ensure exists in our community for a long time. Every member of our chapter contributes a unique and valuable perspective, and we're glad that you're here.

Best wishes to all for a safe and healthy holiday season, looking forward to seeing everyone for a fresh start in the new year!

Mark A. Albright, CFP®, CRPC®
FPAGKC 2020 President



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jesse Bunse, CFP®

MEMBER MILESTONES

Roderic C. Russell, CFP® -10 years

Risdan D. Kasper, CFP® -35 years

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Chapter Executive

Brandy Johnson, CAE
FPA of Greater Kansas City

JANUARY CHAPTER MEETING

January 20, 2021

11:45 - 2:00 p.m.

VIRTUAL

CURRENT TAX ISSUES AND PLANNING STRATEGIES IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, SECURE ACT, AND ELECTION RESULTS



JULIE WELCH (RUNTZ), CPA, PFS CFP®, AEP
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LESSONS FROM THE PANDEMIC AND THE VIEW AHEAD

LEILA SHAVER, ESQ.
Founder, My RIA Lawyer



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Miss the FPA Digital Annual Conference? Get a Peek at Some of the Most Popular Sessions

If you weren't able to join us virtually for the FPA Annual Conference this year, you're in luck! We're excited to share the FPA Digital Annual Conference 2020 Rebroadcast Lineup featuring top speakers and up to 4 CFP® CE credits through the end of the month. Take advantage of special live rebroadcast pricing (a savings of \$10 for members and nonmembers). [Access today](#). Plus, all on-demand conference recordings are [available now](#)!

What Are Your Peers Learning This Month?

Dive deeper into this month's *Journal of Financial Planning* to learn about the future of financial planning post Covid-19, the financial planning career path of the future, choosing a business model to fit the evolving needs of your business and clients, tax planning for Coronavirus-related distributions, the importance and impact of recruiting and serving Black and Latinx financial planning professionals, and more. [Check out the December issue of the *Journal of Financial Planning*](#).

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FPA SmartBrief: Stay Up-To-Date on Trends in the Profession

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Dynamic Income: The Missing Piece of the Retirement Income Puzzle

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 20, 2021

11:45 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Virtual Chapter Meeting

*Current Tax Issues and Planning Strategies in light of the COVID-19 Pandemic,
SECURE Act, and Election Results*

Julie A. Welch (Runtz), CPA, PFS CFP®, AEP and Randy Gardner, JD, LL.M., MBA, CPA, CFP®, RLP®
Lessons from the Pandemic and the View Ahead
Leila Shaver, Esq.

March 17, 2021

11:45 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Virtual Chapter Meeting

Economic Update

Chris Kuehl, PhD, Managing Director, Armada Corporate Intelligence
Second Session TBA

For a full list of events and registration please visit our website at
<https://fpakc.org/EventCalendar>



Thank You

WISHING OUR MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND AMAZING NEW YEAR!

