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President's Message | FALL 2019 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

September 6, 2019

Dear Fellow Pension Fund Auditors:

I am pleased to announce our **Fall 2019 Professional Development Conference** will be held **October 27-30** in South Lake Tahoe, California. Lake Tahoe is surrounded by the Sierra Nevada mountain range and is the second deepest lake in the United States. While it may not be the largest lake in the U.S., it is 22 miles long, from North to South, with 72 miles of panoramic shoreline. The lake has a history of being a transportation hub for the surrounding areas where mining and logging occurred. Lake Tahoe is known today for all things outdoors including biking, hiking, golfing, water sports, skiing, snowboarding, and so much more, making it a year-round destination. Visitors travel from all over the world to take in the views and enjoy the activities the lake has to offer. South Lake Tahoe is close to the Nevada/California Stateline and has something for everyone. Whether you are looking for family fun, numerous recreational activities, dining, shopping or entertainment you will find it. Lake Tahoe's South Shore boasts a lively nightlife with comedy shows, magic shows, concerts, and casinos. If you enjoy a more relaxed pace, you can just stop, breathe in the fresh mountain air, and take in the breathtaking scenery surrounding you. Welcome to South Lake Tahoe!

As always, the conference will offer a wide range of topics designed to enhance the knowledge and skills of all who attend. Your APPFA colleagues will discuss assurance mapping, ethics, and best practices for conducting risk assessments. In addition, external speakers will talk about mitigating data breaches, applying modern data analytics to pensions, assessing the management of risk, project governance for large system implementation and a variety of other topics. Of course, an APPFA conference would not be complete without the ever-popular "Roll Call of the States" session.

The registration fee continues to be a bargain at \$425 per attendee for 20 hours of CPE. The registration fee includes the Sunday night welcome reception, lunches and breaks. The price also includes a magic and comedy show on Monday night at The Loft in Heavenly Village. As always, you are welcome to bring guests to the dinner for an additional \$50. Sunday night's reception is free for guests. Please send a personal check for guest meals to the APPFA Treasurer, at the APPFA address below prior to the conference.

The conference will be held at the *Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel*. Make your room reservations on or before **Thursday, September 26, 2019**, to take advantage of the APPFA group rate of \$134 per night. This rate includes breakfast and is only available from Sunday, October 27, 2019 to Wednesday, October 30, 2019 subject to availability. Please note room rates do not include applicable state and local taxes, fees and assessments. Remember to mention that you are affiliated with the Pension Fund Auditors/APPFA conference when making your reservation with the hotel by telephone at (530) 544-5400 or you can reserve your room through the Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel website for our group by clicking [here](#).

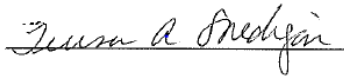
Complete the conference registration form [online](#) and, if possible, pay online by **Thursday, September 26, 2019**. Use “*appfa1*” as the registration code when filling out the online registration. If you are unable to pay online, please mail your payment by **Thursday, September 26, 2019** to:

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If you need additional information or assistance, contact our Conference Coordinator Larry Jensen, at (916) 414-6010 ljensen@calstrs.com; or Nick Ballard, our Vice President, at (512) 542-6853 nick.ballard@trs.texas.gov

I look forward to seeing you in South Lake Tahoe!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teresa A. Snedigar". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a thin horizontal line.

Teresa Snedigar, APPFA President