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Tax Strategies for the High-Income Individual

Our partners David Kushner, CPA, CR.FA and Craig Fabacher, CPA recently attended the 2016 AICPA Conference on Tax Strategies for the High-Income Individual in Las Vegas, Nevada. This was a national conference that focused on possible changes by Congress and developing tax strategies for high-income individuals. David and Craig will be sharing these strategies with our firm's partners and managers to ensure that our clients receive the best strategic advice in their tax planning.



LA Foodservice & Hospitality Expo – August 6-8, 2016

KL Senior Tax Manager Dean Martin, Jr., CPA will be speaking at the event's Idea Zone on Saturday, August 6, 2016 from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. The topic will be "Presidential Candidates' Tax Positions & Their Potential Impact on the Restaurant Industry". We hope to see you there as well.



Upcoming July 15 deadline for income tax payments for victims of spring flooding in Louisiana

For those of you impacted by the recent spring flooding who took advantage of the postponement to July 15, 2016 of 2015 Federal and Louisiana income taxes normally due on April 15, 2016, please note that these tax payments will soon be due. If you haven't already, please forward your tax return documents to us so we can begin preparation and calculate all 2015 taxes due by the July 15, 2016 deadline. Please remember to pay any deferred 2016 quarterly estimated tax payments by July 15, 2016 as well.

June 30th Deadline for Filing the Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)

We are quickly approaching the deadline for filing the annual Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) for 2015. This deadline is June 30th, 2016 regardless of whether you were granted an extension of time to file your 2015 income tax return. For reporting requirements and more information, click on the "Full Article" link below.

Louisiana Tax Refunds Delayed

According to the Louisiana Department of Revenue, tax refunds are experiencing delays due to the increasing occurrences of tax fraud. Enhanced security measures have been implemented to protect Louisiana taxpayers. The expected refund processing time for returns filed electronically is up to 60 days. For paper returns, taxpayers should expect to wait 12 to 14 weeks. If you wish to check the status of your refund, you can do so on the "Where's My Refund"

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Timely Opportunities

More Adult Children Opting to Live with Parents



Plans to remodel your kid's bedroom into an exercise room or walk-in closet after he or she completes school may have to be put on hold. A recent study reveals that more young adults are opting to live with their parents as opposed to moving out on their own or with friends. Surprisingly, the uncertain economy isn't always the reason — and many parents and live-in adult children are happy with the set-up. Here's more on this emerging trend. Copyright © 2016

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Strictly Speaking: Travel and Entertainment Recordkeeping



The IRS takes a strict position on travel and entertainment deductions. If you don't follow recordkeeping requirements, the tax agency may disallow the sought-after deductions. This article explains the basic rules, lays down some guidelines for providing proper receipts, and delves into a few additional points that both employers and employees will find helpful. Copyright © 2016

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Relief from Student Loan Debt: What Are the Tax Implications?



Many of today's college students graduate with a bundle of loan debt. Sometimes the loans are discharged or forgiven. In other cases, employers pay off all or part of student loans as a fringe benefit. In either case, there are tax implications for the student loan borrower. This article explains. Copyright © 2016

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