



A Message from the Region V 2010-11 Regional Executive

Meet you 2010-2011 Region V Executive – Lee Ann Burney

Lee Ann Burney, CPA, FHFMA has been in healthcare for 25 years. An active member of HFMA, she has served as Treasurer, Vice-President, President-elect, President, Parliamentarian and Chairman of the Board for the Tennessee Chapter, and has received the Follmer Bronze, Reeves Silver, Muncie Gold Merit Awards, and the Medal of Honor. She currently is the Regional Executive for Region V, which includes the Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee Chapters.

Her professional career has exposed her to a wide range of healthcare financial situations. She has

worked in both a not-for-profit government owned indigent hospital, a not-for-profit private teaching hospital, a CPA firm, a consulting firm and currently works in the corporate office of a national for-profit hospital chain. Her hospitals have included acute, rehab, specialty, teaching, psych, transplant, and dialysis units, doing



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everything from preparing budgets, financials, tax returns, certificate of needs, bond issues, cost report preparation, audit, appeals, and re-openings. She currently works mainly with Cost Report Reimbursement.

In her spare time, Lee Ann enjoys spending time with her husband and two almost grown sons. She loves travelling and adventure, and feels blessed to have been able to experience rafting on the Colorado, dog sledding in Alaska, biking across the Golden Gate Bridge and snorkeling in the Caribbean. She and her family spend as much time as they can on the water and when the season changes, they love to tailgate and cheer on the TN Titans or her nephew's football games.

Save The Date

Annual Fall Institute - November 11 - 12, 2010

Hotel Location: The Wynfrey Hotel
1000 Riverchase Galleria
Birmingham, Alabama 35244
1-800-996-3739 or 1-205-987-1600

Room Rate: \$149 - \$179

Registration fee: \$150 Member or \$175 Non-Member

Exhibits Space available: \$1,000
\$ 500 Gold
\$ 0 Diamond

* Exhibits include ONE Free Registration Only

Contact Jeff Burkhart to reserve exhibit space.

By email: jburkhar@uab.edu or phone: 205-934-1670. Deadline to reserve space: August 20, 2010. Exhibit space is limited.

Full Agenda will be made available on the web by September 1, 2010





The Robert M. Coats Outstanding Member Award for 2009 -10 was presented to Jeffrey Burkhardt.

It was my honor to present Jeff with this year's award. Jeff has been a major contributor to the Alabama Chapter for many years. He has served as sponsorship chair for the past two years and for our annual and fall meetings as well as the previous two HFMA Dixie Region 5 meetings. Jeff also attended ANI, Dixie and our own state meetings. Jeff has been the co-technology chair for the chapter the past two years and is the Technology Chair for 2010-1011. Jeff has also been a national certified healthcare member (FHFMA) since 2001. In his role at UAB he is very involved in the student membership recruitment program for the chapter.

During the year Jeff submitted three articles for publication in the following journals: Cancer Survivors, Nurse Research and the Journal for Aids.

Congratulations Jeff. We are all excited for you to receive this year's Robert M. Coats Outstanding Member Award and a very special thank you for all you did for me during my term.

God Bless you in all that you do.

Linda Maddox
2009-2010 President



Linda Maddox presents Jeffrey Burkhardt with the Robert M. Coats Outstanding Member Award

HFMA Region V Reunion Cruise

Join colleagues from Region V for a reunion trip of a lifetime!

The trip begins with a flight to Paris, France on May 29, 2011. While in Paris you will spend 3 days sightseeing such sights as the Louvre and Eiffel Tower. On June 3 you will board a train bound for Barcelona, Spain where you will spend 2 days sightseeing. On June 4 board the Royal Caribbean Liberty of the Seas bound for ports in Toulon and Nice France; Florence, Pisa, Rome, Naples and Capri Italy returning to Barcelona on June 11. Total cost for this two week adventure is \$4,808, should you choose the full package. Partial packages available, such as the Caribbean cruise only at \$1,665.

This tour is open to all interested HFMA members and spouses. If you would like to participate please contact Sandy Duggan at 800-999-1181 by August, 10. Sandy will provide the mailing address for your fully refundable \$250.00 deposit and she will need your names as they are listed on your passport for the cruise line. In addition, please email Richard Childs at Richard.Childs@Piedmont.org (HFMA coordinator).

For additional information please see Bama Chatter pages 13 & 14.

Open to Everyone!

Inaugural Region 5 Past-Presidents Reunion Cruise

June 2011

This will be a one of a kind way to connect with past, present and even future HFMA Region 5 family and have a wonderful vacation as well. You don't have to be a past President to come either! This is open to friends and family as well. You have plenty of time to prepare. Because we are expecting a large group, we will need to get cabins reserved as early as possible. I am working with a wonderful agent that is keeping up with Royal Caribbean's cruise schedule.

7-Night Greek Isles Cruise

- Split, Croatia
- Venice, Italy
- Corfu, Greece
- Piraeus (Athens), Greece
- Mykonos, Greece
- Katakolon, Greece
- Venice, Italy



3-Nights in Venice

(1 Night prior to cruise and 2 after cruise)

1 Night prior and 2 Nights after the cruise at a centrally located superior first class hotel in Venice - breakfast included.

Private transfer from the cruise ship to the hotel via private water taxi.

Hotel Taxes and service charges included.

1/2 day private tour of Venice with an English speaking local guide.

Gondola excursion.

Private transfer from the hotel to the airport by private water taxi.

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Exact dates cannot be given until Royal Caribbean sets the 2011 cruise schedule; we expect June of 2010 to be able to lock in on the week we can go. Below I have the rates if we were going June 2010 as an **estimate**:

Cruise Cost (per person)	<u>Interior</u>	<u>Outside</u>	<u>Balcony</u>
	\$ 839	\$1,049	\$1,749
Air Fare (approximate)	1,700	1,800	1,800
Sub-Total (per person)	\$2,539	\$2,849	\$3,549
Hotel/tour Package (per person)	765	765	765
Grand total	\$3,304	\$3,614	\$4,314

If you are interested, I need to get your contact information so you will get the updates and know when to get your deposit in so your space is secure. Email Rick Childs at Richard.Childs@Piedmont.org the following form:

To: Richard Childs Fax: 678/244-5135

Yes, Rick, I am interested in the June 2011 Cruise!

Name:

Email Address:

Work Phone:

Cell Phone:

Chapter:

If a past President what year?

How many in your party?

How many cabins?