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Editor's Notes - Year End Issue 2015

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UPS Shipping Update

UPS will typically leave a delivery at a RESIDENCE (you should contact your local UPS delivery person to confirm this). UPS will **not** leave a delivery at a BUSINESS unless they have a signature on file that allows them to leave the delivery **or** you have made prior arrangements. Again, check with your local UPS delivery person.

Tax News & Tips will charge for any undeliverable packages, since they get returned to us and then we have to re-send them, essentially tripling our shipping costs. Be sure to make arrangements with your local UPS delivery person to avoid these additional charges.

April 18, 2016 Is Just Around The Corner

Extra days to file. Leap year plus Emancipation Day is observed on April 15.....extending filing deadline to April 18. Spend a little time each week to be prepared! Getting the taxpayer ready to collect tax documents and what some of those documents are.
W-2s... 1099s... 1045-A,B & C... 1098s... other 1099s.

Heading Into An Election Year, Tax Extenders Still On Hold

Nothing new to report on tax "extenders". Big ticket business and individual items are mentioned. Charitable tax-free IRA distributions, tuition and fees deduction and energy tax saving improvements plus 179 expensing and bonus depreciation are listed.

Need To Send 1099s?

Review for nominees and businesses. Also filing deadlines and where to get forms.

Coming Up For The Tax-Filing Season

Big ticket items like child credits, college education, 0% capital gains tax rate, tax-free gains on home sales and energy credits are highlighted.

Tax Tips For You ...*Now!*

Roth IRA Conversions and Re-characterizations. RMDs. Claiming tax losses. Accelerate charitable gifts and other deductions. Other Sources of Information. IRS Phone Scams.

Tax Tune-Up for Life-Situation Changes

Situations include getting married, birth of a child, adopting a child, buying or selling your home, getting divorced or going (back) to college.

Got Everything?

Review of frequently missed items. These include refinancing, child care expenses, estimated tax payments, sales of property, student loans, sales of stock, business records, employer reimbursements, K-1s, Social Security benefits, special accounts and complex transactions.

Large Ticket Items That Are Definitely Available To Taxpayers

Retirement Plan contribution limits for 2015. Child tax credits, college education credits, 0% capital gains, tax free gains on personal residence sales, energy savings credits, dependent care for parents and cancelled debt on primary residence.

Other Sources of Information

Unfortunately, we cannot be your primary tax information source. The information in the newsletter is for your clients. We attempt to write on a level that will give the taxpayer a general sense of the topic to promote additional conversation on the specifics with you when they discuss the preparation of their tax returns.

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