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#### September 2011

### Message from the President

Summer is quickly coming to an end, and I am definitely ready for fall. On Thursday, September 22, our chapter will be celebrating the 25th year of our Annual Shrimp Boil. If you have not been able to make it to the shrimp boil, we have a great time.

We have three very talented individuals who cook every year – thank you so much Ron Kirby, Sam Wilkes, and Ralph Bowen. These dedicated cooks do a wonderful job and we greatly appreciate you!

Click here for full article.



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Crystal Baylor, CPA

Crystal Baylor, CPA Permian Basin Chapter President

## Make Your Contribution and Sponsor the Chapter's Scholarship Fund

This year, the Permian Basin Chapter is not hosting a scholarship fundraising event – instead, scholarship sponsorship opportunities are now available. You can become a sponsor with your contribution to the scholarship fund. The chapter is also sending letters to previous sponsors to determine if they would like to donate and continue to be a scholarship sponsor. Each sponsor's name will be included on a banner to be displayed at the Shrimp Boil and UTPB. If you would like to be a scholarship sponsor, please use the following link or contact Stephanie King at 800-428-0272, ext. 233.

<u>Link to Scholarship Sponsor Form</u> (.PDF)

# **Governmental Accounting, Reporting & Auditing Update**

The Governmental Accounting, Reporting & Auditing Update will be held on September 20 at the Hilton Midland Plaza. Our speaker is Dr. Robert J. Freeman, CPA, and the program meets Yellow Book requirements. Topics include GASB Statements, Interpretations, Technical Bulletins, and Exposure Drafts. Selected GASB Implementation Guide issues will be analyzed and recent and proposed SLG-related audit standard and guidance will be reviewed.

Find out more.

Register online

Print Registration form. (.PDF)

### Make Plans to Attend the Annual Shrimp Boil on September 22

The Permian Basin Chapter's 25th Annual Shrimp Boil honoring UTPB accounting students and faculty is

scheduled for September 22 at 7 p.m. at The Shack in the Back. Our guest speaker will be TSCPA Chairman-elect Fred Timmons, CPA-San Antonio. A check will be presented to UTPB for accounting scholarships during the event.

Get the details.

#### Attention CPA Candidates: Becker's Fall CPA Review Schedule

If you're a CPA candidate, you can take advantage of the Becker CPA Review classes that are available. The classes are held at CEED at the corner of Highway 191 and FM 1788, entrance on south access road to Highway 191. Click here to view the upcoming schedule.

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### Renewing Membership - Chapter Scholarship Donation

Now is the time to renew your TSCPA membership for 2011-2012. Dues statements were sent to members via e-mail or regular mail. The dues statement includes a space to contribute \$15 to the Permian Basin Chapter's scholarship awards.

You can pay your dues online at tscpa.org; or if you received a statement via regular mail, you can renew using the statement that was mailed to you. If you have any questions or did not receive your invoice, please contact Rosa Castillo in Member Services at rcastillo@tscpa.net or 800-428-0272, ext. 260.

Make your dues payment online.

#### **Welcome New Members**

Evan N. Heinze, CPA Roddy G. Partain, CPA

# Follow the Permian Basin Chapter on Facebook If

The Permian Basin Chapter is communicating with members through Facebook. PB Chapter Facebook page.

## Opportunities to Participate - We Need You!

- Career Awareness
- Fundraising
- Media Relations
- Membership
- Scholarships

To serve on one of these committees, please contact Crystal Baylor, Billy Kelley, Ryan Bartholomee or Valarie Sanchez

## **Permian Basin Chapter Calendar of Events**

- September 20 Governmental Accounting & Auditing Update
- · September 22 Shrimp Boil

- November 3-4 CPE Expo
- · January 4, 2012 Federal Tax Update

#### **TSCPA Calendar of Events**

- January 20-21, 2012 Midyear Board of Directors Meeting College Station
- June 29-30, 2012 Annual Meeting of Members Corpus Christi

### **TSCPA CPE Opportunities**

- September 14 <u>Accounting and Auditing Update</u>
- October 26 Partnership and LLC Update

**Did You Know:** Chapter members who serve as on-site coordinators at TSCPA CPE programs will be reimbursed one-half of their registration fee? For more information, please contact TSCPA's Juli Cleland at jcleland@tscpa.net or 800-428-0272, Ext. 665.

#### **TSCPA News and Information**

#### **Ever Want to Be Called Doctor?**

If you've ever considered earning a Ph.D. in accounting, AICPA's Accounting Doctoral Scholars Program (ADS) may be a great fit for you. The ADS program was developed to help address a shortage of accounting faculty in the future. To be eligible for the program and its funding, a candidate must have:

- three years of recent public accounting experience in auditing and tax,
- a commitment to a career in teaching and research at a U.S. AACSB accredited university upon completion of a doctoral program focusing on tax or auditing,
- the potential to gain admission to a doctoral program at one or more of the participating universities, and
- U.S. citizenship or permanent resident status.

The current application period is open until October 1. Learn more about the program.

# **Calling All Career Changers**

The average age of TSCPA's student and candidate members is 31. That means many of the members in this group are nontraditional students – those returning to school to pick up the hours necessary for the CPA Exam or even some who are changing career paths. TSCPA is looking to profile CPA members who took the nontraditional path in our Career Changers section of the website. If you'd like to share your story and advice for those looking to make a change, please e-mail Donna Fritz at <a href="mailto:dfritz@tscpa.net">dfritz@tscpa.net</a>. Click this link to view the section.

## **Accounting Career Education (ACE)**

Plans are underway for another successful year of accounting career education. TSCPA has sent

information to its chapters regarding opportunities to get involved in this year's program. Individual members are encouraged to speak to classes or participate in career fairs. Please be sure to let the Permian Basin Chapter know about your activities so that efforts are coordinated for maximum effectiveness. For information about TSCPA's Accounting Career Education program, contact Donna Fritz. (E-mail dfritz@tscpa.net; phone 800-428-0272 x 201 or 972-687-8501.)

#### Talk with Someone Who Understands

Mary came home to find her teenager had raided the liquor cabinet. She discovered that it was not the first time and the teenager's addiction wasn't limited to alcohol. Without a network of friends or acquaintances familiar with this problem, where can she turn? The Accountants Confidential Assistance Network offers assistance.

Call us at 866-766-ACAN (2226). We're here to help.

### **TSCPA Blogs**

Keep up-to-date on TSCPA and accounting profession news through the Society's blogs. The following blogs are available on the TSCPA website:

- · Chairman Donna H. Wesling, CPA
- Executive Director/CEO John Sharbaugh
- Governmental Affairs
- Federal Tax Policy Committee

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