

Permian Basin Chapter Newsletter

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Message from the President

Welcome to the first issue of the Permian Basin Chapter's electronic *CPA News*. As I sit here today in mid-January nursing a hurt knee, I am finding myself counting my blessings. First and foremost, is my wonderful, loving wife Jani, who is now having to help me get dressed and drive me anywhere I need to go, like to my Odessa clients each day.

I am thankful that my first experience with an emergency room and overnight stay in a hospital for tests was not worse. (I gave them a D- because I got out of the hospital alive!) After my first-hand experience, I am thankful we live in a country where sooner or later there will be changes to our broken healthcare system that makes sense for everyone.

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Phil Davis, CPA
Permian Basin Chapter President



Phil Davis,
CPA

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Welcome New Members

Members:

Meredith S. Morgan, CPA
Robert C. Parrish, CPA

Student and Candidate

Members:

Matilda N. Bretado,
Candidate
Daniel W. Corey, Student
Amanda L. LaPlante, Student
Laural M. Scott, Student

Opportunities to Participate

- We Need You!

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

To serve on one of these committees, please contact Phil Davis, Crystal Baylor, Billy Kelley, or Steve Jones.

Membership Recruitment

The autumn recruitment campaign has come to a successful close. TSCPA welcomed 401 new CPA members and 330 new student members. During the campaign, our Permian Basin Chapter added a new CPA member and doubled the number of student members. Many thanks to those who recruited!

Permian Basin Chapter Calendar of Events

- **Chapter Meeting and Free CPE:** May 21 at Noon
- **Partnership/LLC Tax Issues & Update:** July 22-23

TSCPA Calendar of Events

- [Annual Meeting of Members](#) - San Diego: July 2-3, 2010 (.PDF)

TSCPA CPE Opportunities

- [Farm & Ranch Accounting & Tax Update:](#) May 19
- Not-For-Profit Accounting, Auditing & Tax Update: June 23
- Governmental Accounting & Auditing Update: July 21

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 or 800-428-0272, Ext. 665.

TSCPA NEWS AND INFORMATION

Get IRS Information Online

Obtain up-to-the-minute information on tax and IRS changes by visiting the TSCPA Tax Issues online community at the link below. After logging in as a member, you'll find links to a variety of resources.

[Tax Issues Community.](#)

You can also receive the tax issues e-newsletter (at no charge, as a member benefit) by sending a subscription request to [Patty Wyatt.](#)

Raising the Profession's Profile in Your Community

As part of TSCPA's effort to connect CPAs with community service opportunities, the Society has prepared a list of five ways you can make a difference where you live.

1. Sponsor a team or take part in a tournament for charity. Bring along your spouse, children, friends, and co-workers for added fun.
2. Let a high school student see what being a CPA is all about by participating in Junior Achievement's Groundhog Day job shadowing program. Get more information at www.jobshadow.org
3. Help low-income people who cannot prepare their own tax returns by participating in the IRS' Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program. To locate the VITA site nearest you, call 800-829-1040.
4. Join the local board of a nonprofit organization that helps those in need. (To broaden your skill set and get a break from the tasks you perform at work, don't hesitate to request volunteer assignments in areas other than finance.)
5. Tutor students in math or reading as they prepare for statewide

testing.

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