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President's Message

I hope you enjoyed the holiday season with your friends and family and I hope that you are able to take advantage of some down time before busy season ramps up once again. Despite the ongoing pandemic, the Suffolk Chapter is still committed to serving its members and putting on some great events.

On November 12, the Suffolk Chapter participated in the full-day virtual Downstate A&A conference which had approximately 50 attendees.

On December 8, the Suffolk Chapter hosted its annual Professional Issues Update session virtually in conjunction with the Mid-Hudson and Nassau Chapters. The session had over 90 attendees and members got to hear about some of the issues that have the greatest impact on our profession from NYSSCPA leadership including **Joanne Barry** (NYSSCPA Executive Director), **Reva Brennan** (NYSSCPA Chief Operating Officer), **Rumbi Bwerinofa-Petrozello** (NYSSCPA Statewide President) and **Lynne Fuentes** (NYSSCPA Statewide President-Elect). The Suffolk Chapter thanks all speakers for providing a very informative presentation to its members.

On December 10, the Suffolk Chapter Tax committee jointly hosted a virtual all day tax conference with the Nassau Chapter, which included an excellent roster of experts covering a variety of relevant topics. The session had approximately 115 attendees. The Suffolk Chapter would like to thank all of the speakers who made the session engaging and an excellent source of information that can be used to best serve our clients during the upcoming busy season.

On December 16, the Suffolk Chapter hosted its annual ethics update for its members. We were once again proud to have **Ernie Smith**, from Nawrocki Smith LLP, be the speaker for the session. We extend a huge thank you to Ernie for putting on an engaging and informative presentation once again this year!



The NYSSCPA will be celebrating its 125th anniversary **in-person** with a gala on January 26. Please see page 3 for more details on this wonderful event to celebrate this huge milestone for the NYSSCPA.

The NYSSCPA is looking for volunteers to participate in the **Mentor Match** program, which links experienced professionals

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President's Message (cont'd)

(mentors) with less experienced professionals (mentees) or those in a career transition. This is a great program that provides mutually beneficial relationships between the mentors and mentees and helps strengthen the accounting profession as a whole. Please see page 4 to learn more and to register as a mentor or mentee.



The NYSSCPA's **Member Get A Member Campaign** is in full swing. There are awards provided and there is a contest between Chapters on who can bring in the most new members. Let's get Suffolk to the top! See more details on page 5.

I encourage all members to get involved with one of Suffolk Chapter's many committees (see page 8 for a listing). Outside of the Suffolk Chapter, there are also a ton of great NYSSCPA statewide committees that you can join (page 9). A lot of these committees meet virtually, so there is no commute involved. I encourage all to explore and join some of the statewide committees as well.

The NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter continues to be there for its members and we will continue to do our best to represent all of you. If I can be of any assistance at all or if you have an idea for an event that you would like to see the Suffolk Chapter put on for its members, please reach out to me at whuether@sheehancpa.com.

I want to wish you a very happy and healthy New Year and a very successful upcoming busy season! I hope to connect with you all at one of our events in 2022.

– *William Huether*

Celebrating 125 Years!



The Society will be celebrating 125 years of service to the profession — in person — with a gala on January 26, benefiting The Moynihan Scholarship Fund.

Start the new year right with this gala celebration. We'll be in an elegant, modern space overlooking the Hudson River, savoring dinner by the renowned Abigail Kirsch. This is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with your peers and enjoy a night out.

Program includes:
Cocktails + Hors d'oeuvres + Dinner + Entertainment + Dancing.

Be a Sponsor

Sponsorships help the Society develop programming, and offer robust brand recognition benefits to the sponsor. [View All Sponsorship Packages.](#)

Advertise in the Souvenir Program

Firms, members, and organizations are using this as an opportunity to congratulate the Society on its 125th anniversary. [See ad details.](#)

Attend the Gala

Reserve your tickets for an unforgettable night on the town with open bar, sit down dinner, entertainment and dancing. A portion of the ticket price benefits the Moynihan Scholarship Fund. Even if you cannot attend, you can still make a difference to the future of the profession by supporting MSF. [Please donate.](#)

Purchase tickets now by clicking [HERE!](#)

If you are an NYSSCPA member, you can pre-populate some of your information by logging in using the form located on the right hand side of the page.

Kosher meals are available upon request. Please update your member profile to adjust your dietary preferences.

The NYSSCPA continues to follow CDC and NYC guidelines for in-person gatherings for the safety of our members, staff and guests. We will update the information as protocols change.

NYSSCPA Mentor Match Program



Mentor Match links experienced professionals (mentors) with less experienced ones (mentees) or those in a career transition in a collaborative partnership. In this

mutually beneficial relationship, the mentor serves as a source of information and a guide who helps the mentee build career momentum and learn to navigate the complexities of the accounting profession.

Maybe you have achieved success in your career, but want to deepen your knowledge in something outside of your specialty. Mentor Match is not an “either or” program, you can be both a mentee and a mentor.

Mentor Match not only benefits mentors, mentees, it benefits the profession and NYSSCPA as a whole. This member benefit develops future leaders, acts as ongoing support throughout careers and continually improves skills.

Mentor Match is a win-win for mentees, mentors, organizations and the accounting profession. It shapes future leaders through continuous learning, professional and personal development and career advancement.

Benefits to Mentees

Leaders from all walks of life have attributed their success to the guidance and support received from mentors. Mentees become empowered participants in their own career, and also gain:

- Higher performance and productivity
- Opportunities for continuous learning
- Supportive feedback about personal and professional style

- Helpful analysis of problem solving and decision making strategies
- Knowledge of emerging industry trends
- Expanded professional networks
- Greater career satisfaction

Benefits to Mentors

Mentoring is more than a gesture of good will; it makes good business sense. It ensures the recruitment and retention of top talent, is a powerful tool for identifying and building strong relationships with future leaders and a proven means of mining the potential of an increasingly diverse workforce. It also ensures that the collective knowledge and rich traditions of an evolving profession are nurtured and passed along. Mentors benefit by developing:

- A sense of pride in seeing a mentee learn and grow
- Enhanced coaching skills, cultural competence and communication skills
- A chance to reflect upon and share career goals, challenges and successes
- The profound personal satisfaction that comes from being of service to others and “giving back”

Your Commitment

Mentors and mentees should make a minimum commitment of one hour each month for at least 9 months to fully leverage the benefits of the partnership and the professional development it yields.

Meetings can be in person or via phone, email, text message, zoom or video chat. Mentor Match is an exclusive program for NYSSCPA members.

[**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM NOW!**](#)

Member Get a Member Campaign

Build a better Society by introducing your colleagues and friends to the NYSSCPA. As the first state society, we've been serving the profession for 124 years. Membership in the NYSSCPA means opportunity...



- **For your referrals**—It's an opportunity to build a deeper connection with the CPA community and up their game, whether or not they are CPAs.
- **For you**—Every new member expands your network, which means more connections, more business and more support for the profession.

How to Refer New Members

1. Invite a colleague to join the NYSSCPA and apply at nysscpa.org/JoinUs.
2. Referrals need to include 2 important pieces of information on the application (in the referral section) for it to qualify toward prizes:
 - Your name
 - Your license # or member #

Rewards

- Recruit 5 new dues-paying members and get a **FREE year of membership!** A value up to \$575.
- Students—the student member who recruits the most new members receives a **\$200 stipend** (one winner each semester, Fall and Spring).
- The Chapter with the biggest percent increase in members receives recognition with the annual **virtual trophy**.
- Everybody wins with a **bigger, stronger network**.

Terms & Conditions

- Every member who recruits five new members at any paying level will receive complimentary membership for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
- The student member who recruits the most new student members will receive a \$200 stipend. One winner each semester, Fall and Spring. In the event of a tie, one winner shall be determined at random from among those with the highest number of referrals.
- The Chapter with the highest percentage of membership growth during the promotion period will be recognized with a virtual trophy on their webpage.
- This offer is nontransferable.
- The referring member must be a Society member in good standing.
- Reinstated members must have been lapsed for at least one year. Renewing members do not qualify.
- New and reinstated members must provide the full name, CPA license number and/or Society member identification number for the referring member with their application.
- Completed and paid applications must be received at the NYSSCPA by May 31, 2022.
- Rules and individual rewards are governed by U.S. law and subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Rules and rewards are subject to change at any time. Offer good only in the U.S. and its territories. Void where prohibited.

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT: Accounting and Auditing

Did you know that the NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter is comprised of over 20 various committees ranging from Accounting & Auditing, General Taxation, Forensic and Valuation Services, NextGen and more? Did you know that joining a committee is free with your NYSSCPA membership? Given the volume of different committees the Suffolk Chapter has to offer, there is certainly a committee for everyone. We encourage all members to check out our full listing of

committees and join committees to engage in technical, social, and philanthropic activities that align with their respective interests/career aspirations.

*In this article, we will spotlight **Accounting and Auditing**, one of the active committees that NYSSCPA Suffolk has to offer. Be on the lookout in future articles to learn more about the other many active committees that you can be a part of today!*

Who We Are

The mission of the Accounting and Auditing Committee is to keep members abreast of current changes to accounting and auditing regulations and standards.

What We Do

The Accounting and Auditing Committee strives to achieve its mission by meeting frequently and hosting CPE events for members of the Suffolk Chapter. The Committee is known for its' annual "All Day Accounting and Auditing Update", whereas members can earn 8 CPE credits while learning about various accounting updates including, but not limited to: auditing standards updates, sustainable accounting updates, Not-for-Profit updates, peer review best practices, GAAP updates and more. profession.

Who Should Join:

Any Society member looking to meet their annual CPE requirement and/or looking to help coordinate CPE events for the membership should consider joining the Accounting and Auditing Committee.

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FUN & GAMES: Name That Thing

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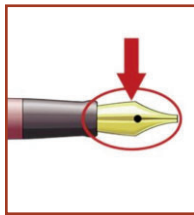
- A. carnation
- B. lily
- C. crocus
- D. daffodil

2.



- A. canasta
- B. dominos
- C. mah-jongg
- D. go

3.



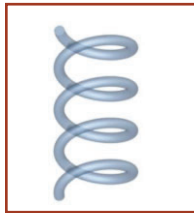
- A. blade
- B. nib
- C. point
- D. stylus

4.



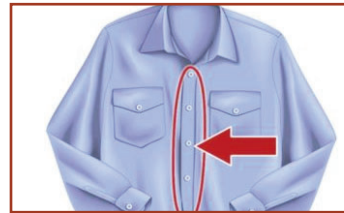
- A. strut
- B. winglet
- C. elevator
- D. rudder

5.



- A. twirl
- B. zephyr
- C. cylinder
- D. helix

6.



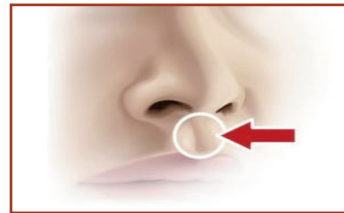
- A. front
- B. yoke
- C. placket
- D. pleat

7.



- A. guava
- B. persimmon
- C. mango
- D. papaya

8.



- A. philtrum
- B. dorsum
- C. septum
- D. naris

HOW'D YOU DO?

- 1-A.
- 2-C.
- 3-B.
- 4-D.
- 5-D.
- 6-C.
- 7-B.
- 8-A.

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The NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter has a few committees looking for a chair!

- CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS & REAL ESTATE
- COOPERATION WITH BANKERS & OTHER CREDIT GRANTORS
- EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
- ESTATE/FINANCIAL PLANNING
- MANAGEMENT OF AN ACCOUNTING PRACTICE

NYSSCPA Statewide Committees

Get involved. See local committee possibilities on page 9. To join any statewide committees or for more information of each committee, please [CLICK HERE](#).

STATEWIDE COMMITTEES

Accounting and Auditing Division

- Accounting and Review Services
- Accounting and Auditing Oversight
- Auditing Standards
- Employee Benefits
- Financial Accounting Standards
- International Accounting and Auditing
- Quality Control & Peer Review
- SEC
- Sustainability Accounting and Reporting
- Technology Assurance

Consulting Services Division

- Anti-Money Laundering & Counter Terrorist Financing
- Bankruptcy and Financial Reorganizations
- Business Valuation and Litigation Services
- Cybersecurity

Human Capital Division

- CPA Careers
- CPA Portability
- Diversity and Inclusion
- NextGen

Industry Division

- Banking
- Cannabis Industry
- Chief Financial Officers
- Construction Contractors
- Digital Assets
- Entertainment, Arts and Sports
- Family Office
- Insurance Industry
- Internal Audit
- Investment Management
- Private Equity and Venture Capital
- Real Estate
- Stock Brokerage

Operations Division

- Audit
- Finance
- Legislative Task Force
- Nominating Committee
- Professional Ethics
- Professional Liability Insurance

Practice Management Division

- Large & Medium Sized Firms Practice Management
- Small Firms Practice Management

Public Sector Division

- Future of Accounting Education
- Government Accounting & Auditing
- Health Care
- Not-for-Profit Organizations
- Public Schools

Tax Division

- C Corporations
- Closely Held and S Corporations
- Estate Planning
- Exempt Organizations
- International Taxation
- New York, Multistate & Local Taxation
- Partnerships and LLCs
- Personal Financial Planning
- Relations with the Internal Revenue Service
- Tax Division Oversight
- Taxation of Financial Instruments and Transactions
- Taxation Of Individuals
- Taxation of Mergers, Acquisitions, Dispositions and Other Business Transactions
- Trust and Estate Administration

Get Involved! NYSSCPA SUFFOLK

COMMITTEE SERVICE APPLICATION

Here's a way to get involved with NYSSCPA Suffolk and help make a difference! Please rank the top 3 committees in which you have an interest:



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting & Auditing | <input type="checkbox"/> Estate/Financial Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Affairs | <input type="checkbox"/> Forensic and Valuation Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Contractors | <input type="checkbox"/> General Taxation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperation with Attorneys | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Outing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperation with Bankers and Other Credit Grantors | <input type="checkbox"/> Management of Accounting Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperation with Educational Institutions | <input type="checkbox"/> Members in Industry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CPE/Professional Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> East End | <input type="checkbox"/> NextGen (Young CPAs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emerging Technologies | <input type="checkbox"/> Not-for-Profit & Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employee Benefits | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate & Construction |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business |

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SUFFOLK CHAPTER SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Here's your chance to make the most of your membership! SPONSOR ONE OF OUR EVENTS and get in front of colleagues, referral sources, and potential clients.



Step One: Choose the type of event based on your target audience.

- golf outings
- informational seminars
- networking events
- charitable events
- technical workshops

Step Two: Become a sponsor. At a cost of \$1,000 you receive:

- recognition in the Suffolk Chapter newsletter
- logo/recognition in all event flyers
- opportunity to speak at the event
- booth or table display space

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