

Suffolk Chapter NEWS

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President's Message



Fall has come too fast and soon the leaves will begin to change. Some accountants are working towards completing items required for the October 15th deadline, while others are beginning to gear up and plan for 2018 calendar year audits.

Fall is also one of our busy seasons for networking and other events, some of which include the following:

- Banker/CPA Committee: On September 20 they held the Indian Summer Networking event at Jewel Restaurant in Melville. This event was held in conjunction with the Nassau chapter. It was a wellattended event at a new venue for everyone to enjoy.
- Next Gen Committee: The Annual Young Professionals Golf Classic at Willow Creek and Country Club, which was originally scheduled for September 25th, was rescheduled to

October 22nd due to weather. This committee also volunteered at the Mary Brennan Inn Soup Kitchen in Hempstead, NY. It's great to see that this committee is so involved in giving back to Long Island.

• Members in Industry: They held an informative session on Software and Licensing Compliance and Defense. This was a real eye opener for individuals who just accept all terms and conditions when installing new software.

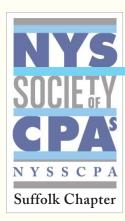
Now that most accountants are past the major deadlines, the months of October through December tend to be our busiest months. On the coming pages, you will see many different events, including education events, networking events, and our required ethics CPE classes.

I hope that some of you will take the opportunity to join me and other Suffolk Chapter members at some of these great upcoming events.

- Melissa Hicks

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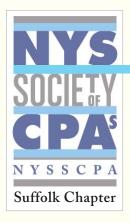
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NYSSCPA Suffolk Presents to Stony Brook University Students

On September 5th, NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter representatives Bill Huether (Treasurer) and Bob Huether (Board Member and Co-Chair of the NextGen Committee) attended Stony Brook University's Accounting Society Orientation meeting to discuss the NYSSCPA and also the importance of getting involved.

With standing room only, the meeting was filled with accounting students that were eager to learn about the profession and also how they can become involved as students. The event was well received and many of the students inquired about signing up for student memberships of the NYSSCPA.

Over the last couple of years, Stony Brook's Accounting Society has played a huge part in helping the NextGen Committee of the Suffolk Chapter with their annual Toys for Tots drive and we would like to thank them for their participation and for inviting the Suffolk Chapter to come speak to the group.



Committee Report: Members in Industry

The Suffolk Chapter NYSSCPA Members in Industry committee meets monthly from September through May. We welcome CPAs across all industries and practices. Our morning meetings start and end promptly, from 8 to 10 a.m. There are no entry fees and meetings earn two CPE credits. For more information: Janet Verneuille, JVerneuille@empirenb.com.

On Wednesday, September 19th Mike Cleary of Canyon Consulting spoke on software compliance and defense. His presentation was eye opening since it did not address software piracy but the mistakes often innocently made by companies under their software licensing agreements. Excellent session with many war stories and much practical advice.



Mike Cleary





Projected Meeting Dates: Mark your calendar now!

Tuesday, October 16, 8-10 a.m.

Affordable Care Act Update coupled with Worker's Compensation, Federal and State Department of Labor Issues, and Unemployment Insurance

Speakers: Anthony Cardona, Cardona & Company and Bob Arnold, Jr., Arnold Standard Risk Services, Inc. Hosted by Empire National Bank, 1707 Veterans Highway, Islandia.

REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT HERE

Wednesday, October 17, 8-10 a.m.

The Annual webcast of the Business and Industry Full Day Conference

A joint Nassau Suffolk event. At Empire National Bank, 1707 Veterans Highway, Islandia. **REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT HERE**

Wednesday, November 14, 8-10 a.m.

Joint Meeting with Nassau Chapter CFO Committee: Blockchain 101

Speaker: Richard Gordon, Blockchain Solution Sales, IBM Corporation.

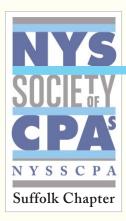
Hosted by Marcum LLP, 10 Melville Park Road, Melville.

Wednesday, December 19, 8-10 a.m.

Annual GAAP Update

Speaker: Paul Becht, Margolin, Winer & Evens LLP

Hosted by Empire National Bank, 1707 Veterans Highway, Islandia.



Mark Your Calendar...

OCTOBER 16, 2018

Members in Industry meeting: Affordable Care Act Update. Details on page 3.

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OCTOBER 20, 2018

Run for the Ridley. Details on page 5.

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Young Professionals Golf Classic. Details on page 6.

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NOVEMBER 10, 2018

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Members in Industry meeting: Blockchain 101. Details on page 3.

NOVEMBER 29, 2018

Annual Town Hall Meeting. Details on page 9.

DECEMBER 14, 2018

Annual Toys for Tots Pick-up. Details on page 10

DECEMBER 18, 2018

Annual Ethics Update. Details on page 11.

DECEMBER 19, 2018

Members in Industry meeting: Annual GAAP Update. Details on page 3.

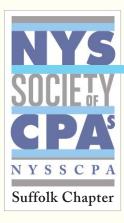
JANUARY 16, 2019

Members in Industry meeting: Annual Tax and Economic Update. Details on page 3.

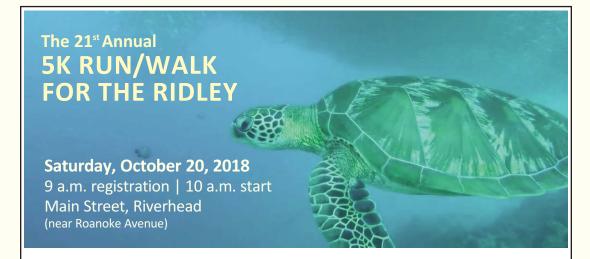
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NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter activities
CLICK HERE

Committee Chairs!

Make sure to get all future meeting dates to Ken Laks at <u>klaks@avz.com</u>



Run for the Ridley!



The NYSSCPA Suffolk East End and NextGen Committees are competing to help SAVE THE SEA TURTLES in this charity run/walk and you can join us!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SPONSORS!

There are many different sponsorship levels, from \$5,000 to \$100. Please consider joining as a sponsor.

RUNNERS/TEAMS

Please register to join us. Early registration fee: \$25 per runner. **Early registration ends October 19.**

CAN'T ATTEND? DONATE!

If you cannot attend the race but would like to show your support, please donate to the event!

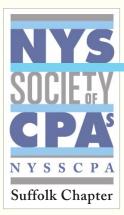


The **Riverhead Foundation for Marine Research and Preservation** is a rescue and rehab organization that promotes marine conservation. As a 501(c)3 non-profit, it is the primary responder for sick or injured seals, sea turtles, dolphins and porpoises, and the only marine mammal and sea turtle rehab center in New York State.

REGISTER EARLY!

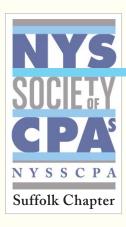
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Rescheduled Date!

The NextGen Committee of the Su	uffolk Chapter of the NYSSCPA is proud to host				
The 23rd Annual YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GOLF CLASSIC					
NEW DATE: Monday, October 22, 2018 Willow Creek Golf & Country Clu	ab a same a				
7:00 a.m. Hot gourmet breakfa 8:00 a.m. Shotgun start 1:00 p.m. Cocktails, buffet, raff					
Fabulous raffle prizes! Beat-the	-hack competition! Lunch at the turn!				
GOLD SPONSORSHIP: \$3,500 Two foursomes Ball Marker and two hole sponsorships Beverage cart and Lunch sponsorships Tee sign at Beat-the-Hack hole Name/logo in event program Two pin flags 48 raffle tickets SILVER SPONSORSHIP: \$2,000 One foursome Breakfast and two hole sponsorships Name/banner at registration table Name/logo in event program Pin flag 24 raffle tickets BRONZE SPONSORSHIP: \$1,500 One foursome Two hole sponsorships and pin flag Name/logo in event program 12 raffle tickets HOLE SPONSORSHIP: \$150 Tee sign displaying company logo/name	INDIVIDUAL GOLFER: \$250 18 holes of golf, breakfast, lunch, cocktail hour, and dinner — Please place me in a foursome OR — Preferred foursome listed below: Golfer #1: Golfer #2: Golfer #3: Golfer #4: Golfers listed will play together unless otherwise instructed BUFFET ONLY: \$100 \$25 PER GOLFER TO BENEFIT: HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZES SPONSORED BY: Atlantic Agency INSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT				
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Our Annual Student Night...

The Cooperation with Educational Institutions Committee, in conjunction with the NextGen Committee, invites you to the annual



Student Night!

Thursday, October 25, 2018 | 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

at Dave and Busters

1856 Veterans Memorial Highway, Islandia

CPAs

Your chance to meet with college students, chat with them about careers in accounting, and socialize with your peers!

Students

Learn about accounting opportunities within different sectors of the business community and the upcoming changes to the CPA exam. You will also have the opportunity to interact with various professionals in a speed-networking format!

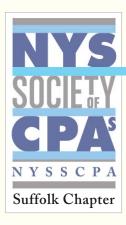
Professors

Encourage your students to attend this social and educational event. Expose them to potential employers!

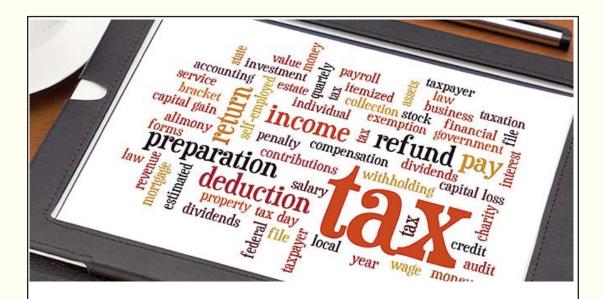
Buffet dinner! Networking! FREE admission!

We are looking for accounting firm sponsors – only \$100! Includes a promotional table at the event.

RSVP to rhuether@kpmg.com



Annual Tax Conference...





NYSSCPA Suffolk Annual Tax Conference

Saturday, November 10, 2018

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (check in at 8 a.m.) at Hyatt Regency Long Island Wind Watch Golf Club

Topics:

Federal Tax Update

NYS Tax Update

Tax Collections

Section 199A

Estate Planning

Cybersecurity

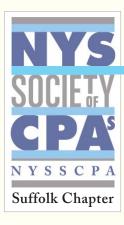
Wayfair Decision &

State Nexus Issues

8 CPE credits (taxation)

RSVP HERE

For more information: Joel Ackerman, joel@autocpa.net



Hear Ye... Hear Ye...

The NYSSCPA Suffolk Accounting & Auditing Committee invites you to



Thursday, November 29, 2018

8:00 to 10:00 a.m. at Irish Coffee Pub 131 Carleton Avenue, East Islip

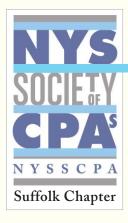
Please join us for our annual Town Hall Meeting at which we will have the opportunity to hear from NYSSCPA officers about the Society and its current policies and to learn more about what's trending within the accounting profession.

Includes hot breakfast.

Free! | 2 CPE credits (advisory service)

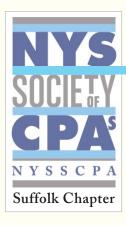
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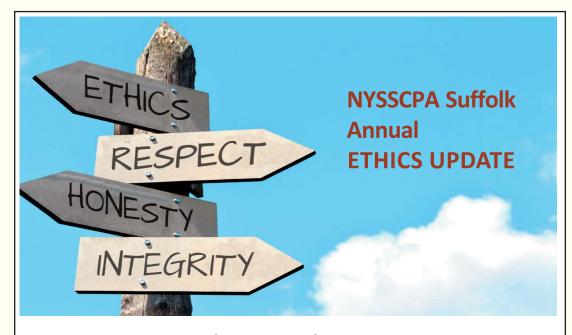


Planning Ahead for the Holidays...





Annual Ethics Update...



Tuesday, December 18, 2018

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

(registration at 6 p.m.)

at the Irish Coffee Pub 131 Carleton Avenue, East Islip

Please join us for our annual Ethic Training, with this year's speaker, **Renee Rampulla**.

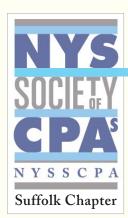
2 CPE credits

Includes buffet dinner, drinks, and networking.

\$50 Members | \$75 Non-members \$0 member of the Suffolk Chapter Subscription Program

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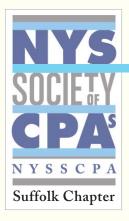
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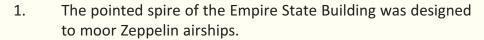
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- EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
- ESTATE/FINANCIAL PLANNING
- MANAGEMENT OF AN ACCOUNTING PRACTICE
- SMALL BUSINESS



Fun and Games - True or False





- 2. Andromeda is the closest star to Earth.
- 3. The five Olympic rings signify the five sports hosted at the first Olympics in ancient Greece.
- 4. NASCAR traces its origins to bootleggers outrunning the police during Prohibition.
- 5. Hair grows back thicker and darker after it's cut.
- 6. The "i" in Apple products (iPad, iPhone) stands for "ingenuity."
- 7. The Pyramids of Giza are the only one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient Work that remains substantially intact.



8. In the Tony Award-winning musical Rent, the artists were affected by the disease HIV/AIDS.

Flip to see if you're right...

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4. TRUE. The desire to prove who had the fastest car led to weekend races and the founding of NASCAR in

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3. FALSE. The rings represent the five major regions of the world: Asia, Africa, Europe, the Americas, and

miles away.

2. FALSE. The sun is our closest star, at 93 million

onto the 102nd floor.

1. TRUE! Although it was never used for this, the plan was to have passengers use gangplanks to exit

growth.

5. FALSE. Cutting and shaving have no effect on hair

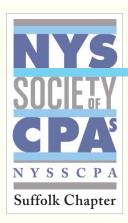
8. TRUE. The play was based on La Boheme, a tragic opera whose herione is affected by tuberculosis.

7. TRUE. It is also the oldest of the seven wonders.

stands for the products' emphasis on "individual."

6. FALSE. The prefix means "internet" and also

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 Cooperation with Bankers and	 Management of Accounting Practice
Other Credit Grantors	 Members in Industry
 Cooperation with Educational	 Membership
Institutions	 NextGen (Young CPAs)
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- networking events
- charitable events
- technical workshops

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