

* CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

What do you think!

I want to hear your feedback and questions during my chairmanship at TSCPA. Drop me a note at chairman@tscpa.net. I'd love to hear from you!



Happy New Year!

By TSCPA Chairman **STEPHEN PARKER**, CPA-Houston

Each new year brings new opportunities, new resolutions, new excitement and, yes, a new audit busy season (tax season, as well). This new year also includes our biennial legislative session in Texas. There's no doubt your professional plate is already looking very full for 2019.

So, how do you stay ahead (or sometimes just keep up) with so much coming your way? While it may seem contradictory, TSCPA wants you to resolve to get more engaged and informed about your TSCPA resources and connections. Whether your calendar includes busy season (audit and/or tax) and deadlines for you and your clients or reporting and month-end deadlines for you and your company, TSCPA is the perfect place to turn.

Invest time reading your communications from TSCPA and your local chapter in order to stay on top of both professional issues and, more importantly, the outcome of the legislative session and how TSCPA is representing your interests and protecting your

license. Take advantage of your member discount on thousands of CPE offerings to help you achieve your professional development goals or get up-to-speed on the latest issues, such as tax reform and cybersecurity. Dive in to TSCPA Exchange to ask your questions, participate in current discussions and lend your expertise to fellow members. Connect with your community through local chapter involvement and give back. Our profession is based on service, to the public, our communities and our profession, and TSCPA is the conduit to help you give and grow.

I hope to see many of you at our upcoming Advocacy Day and Midyear Board of Directors and Members Meeting in Austin on Jan. 29-30. It will be a great way to kick off your year as a Texas CPA and get a head start on those professional resolutions.

I have seen my personal and professional success thrive through TSCPA. I want the same for each of you. If you don't know where to start, let us help. We're here to help you have the best year and career you can have!

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