



December Newsletter

CPE / EVENTS

*For more information and to register for these events,
click on the event title.*

**Young Professionals Group Hosts
Holiday Pop-Up Bar Social Event**

Thursday, December 12, 2024; 7:00 p.m.

Format: Live

Location: The Tippy Elf Pop-Up Bar

250 N. Bishop Avenue, Dallas 75208

Credits: 0; Fee: \$0

**2025 Annual Meeting of Members
Sponsored by Troutman Pepper Locke**

Thursday, January 9, 2025; 11:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Format: Live

Location: Drey Hotel

5630 Village Glen Drive, Dallas 75206

Credits: 0; Fee: \$35

Member Appreciation Series CPE Event

Thursday, January 9, 2025; 1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Format: Live

Location: Drey Hotel

5630 Village Glen Drive, Dallas 75206

Credits: 4; Fee: \$40/Members; \$80/Non Members

New Year Celebration Happy Hour

Thursday, January 9, 2025; 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Format: Live

Location: Drey Hotel

5630 Village Glen Drive, Dallas 75206

Credits: 0; Fee: \$0

Professional Development Series Event:

Deep Work

Wednesday, January 15, 2025; 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Format: Virtual

Credits: 1; Fee: \$0

*One lucky attendee will receive
a free Convergence 2025 registration.*

Webcast:

Texas Taxes: 2025 Quarterly Update Q4

Thursday, January 16, 2025; 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Format: Virtual

Credits: 1; Fee: \$0/Members; \$99/Non Members

Need More CPE?

\$15 member fee | CPE hours: 1

Self-study CPE articles published in *Today's CPA* magazine are an inexpensive and convenient way to earn CPE credit. Knock out an hour of CPE whenever it works with your schedule. Simply register to gain access to a self-study quiz and earn one hour of continuing professional education credit by passing the quiz related to certain *Today's CPA* articles.

[See CPE Self-Study Quizzes](#)

FREE CPE: Updated Complimentary Ethics Course Posted for Members

CPE Hours: 4 | On Demand Webcast

The latest version of TXCPA's FREE, TSBPA-approved ethics course is now available. The course is valid upon membership renewal (or join) date.

To access the ethics course:

- 1) Log into the TXCPA website. Upon successful login, you will be on your Profile page.
- 2) Select the CPE tab and then "Access" under "Member Ethics" inside the "Products" table.

[Member Login](#)

Only current TXCPA members are eligible for our free CPE opportunities and the sooner you renew your membership, the more credits you can receive. **[Check your membership status.](#)**

TXCPA On-Demand CPE Passport

Looking for convenient access to quality CPE courses at a great value? The TXCPA Passport is for you! This one-year subscription to on-demand programs is available at a special low price of just **\$199** for members. CPE hours are

offered through programs of varying length. Topics include tax, accounting, assurance, not for profit, fraud and more.

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sponsors! Sponsorship offers a wealth of great benefits, not the least of which is exposure to approximately 6,000 CPAs and other financial professionals. Don't wait! Start enjoying all the perks of Convergence sponsorship NOW! Click [here](#) for more information. And while you're there, check out our General Sponsor Information page. At TXCPA Dallas there are many ways to support and get to know area CPAs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TXCPA Dallas Annual Meeting Sponsorship

The TXCPA Dallas Annual Meeting of Members takes place on January 9, 2025. Sponsorship of this event offers your company or firm an opportunity to gain visibility among our community of around 6,000 financial professionals. As an event sponsor, you'll enjoy valuable publicity and the chance to connect with key industry players. Interested in becoming a sponsor? Click [here](#) for details on the benefits and registration process. Don't miss out on this opportunity to elevate your brand!

MEMBERSHIP

TXCPA Dallas Announces 2025-26 Leadership Nominees

TXCPA Dallas is pleased to announce its slate of 2025-26 leadership nominees:

Aaron Borden
President-elect

Taylor Caton
Treasurer-elect

Art Agulnek
John Perkins
Kyle Wakeland
Executive Board Members

Taylor Caton
Sam Cheng
Tim Pike
Bill Sims
Nominations Committee Members

David Twu
TXCPA Leadership Council

Nominees will be voted on at the Annual Meeting of Members
on January 9, 2025.

Welcome, New Members!

Jason Almiro, CPA
Omar Al-Talafeeh, Student
Andres Andujar, CPA
Jacqueline Avalos, Student
Romee Blokland, CPA
Stephanie Bock, CPA
James Bouc, CPA
Karsen Burgess, CPA
Ruoxi Chen, CPA
Joy Clawson, CPA
Patrick Daniels, CPA
Bryant Echols, Student
Isabel Eden, Student
Christina Fischer, CPA
Elizabeth Gomez, Student
Jillian Gibraltar, Student
Bethany Gleiser, CPA
Justin Gracey, CPA
Marco Hermez, Associate
Hayley Hoffman, CPA
Laura Hopkins, Student
Carson Hudspeth, CPA
DeAnn Huegele, CPA
Francisco Huerta, Student
Lauren Izydor, CPA
Nan Jiang, CPA
Kamryn Jiles, Student
Robert Justus, Jr., CPA
David Kabore, Student
Cameron Kagel, CPA
Dr. Joon Kim, Student
Louise Klinke, CPA
Christopher Knauth, CPA
Stephanie Martin, Student
Stephen McKinney, CPA
Andres Medina, CPA

Xue Mei, CPA
Michael Munywoki, CPA
Noon Nafie, Student
Jonah Nance, CPA
Maria Nanclares, Student
Benjamin Oviedo, CPA
Dominique Parish, Student
Troy Paul, CPA
Michael Post, CPA
Anna Prather, CPA
Katelyn Pyle, CPA
Colin Quinlan, CPA
Christine Quinto, CPA
Frida Rodriguez, Student
Zeeshan Sabih, CPA
Mustafa Sahin, Student
Hazel Salinas, Student
Patrick Sauer, CPA
Evyn Sewing, CPA
Jeffrey Shull, CPA
Jaslyn Simms, CPA
Cynthia Smith, CPA
McKenzie Smith, CPA
Matthew Soundy, CPA
Daniel Stark, CPA
Ivanna Stefan, CPA
Brooke Stricker, CPA
Michael Tekle, Student
Hallie Tomlinson, CPA
Sotiris Tsioumas, CPA
Arushi Varshney, Student
Forrest Wilson, CPA
Breanna Wright, CPA
Linna XU, CPA
Emmaline Zika, CPA

TXCPA Professional Group Membership Program

TXCPA is committed to helping the organizations that employ our members leverage those membership investments to support organizational goals for success. We know each organization has unique needs. TXCPA's **Professional Group Membership** is tailored to meet those needs.

If you would like to participate in the Professional Group Membership or ask any questions, please contact **Kristie Estrada**.

You're Invited to Advocacy Day and the Midyear Meeting

The 2025 Advocacy Day and Midyear Leadership Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 28-29, 2025, in Austin. The 2025 legislative session will include **critical licensure and CPA mobility issues** that all CPAs will need to stay informed on. Attendees of our Advocacy Day program will visit the Capitol to discuss our important business issues Tuesday afternoon. Our Leadership Council will meet on Wednesday to hear important professional updates and TXCPA reports.

[Learn More and Book Your Room Here](#)

Depression Knows No Season

“This is supposed to be a joyous time of year, yet I feel angry one minute and plunged into despair the next. What’s wrong with me?”

You might be suffering from depression. **ACAN, the TXCPA Accountants Confidential Assistance Network**, offers confidential assistance. Call us at 866-766-ACAN. *All we want to do is help. All you need to do is call!*

Staffing for Busy Season?

TXCPA Dallas’s Career Center provides members with a discount on job postings to help fill their open positions, as well as free job seeker profiles for those ready to make their next move. Internship postings are always FREE. Visit the Career Center today to add your open positions or update your job seeker profile! Click [here](#).

Join the Conversation on TXCPA Exchange

Visit [TXCPA Exchange](#) to ask questions, offer feedback and network with fellow TXCPA members. Take advantage of this valuable members-only benefit today!

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CPAs GIVE BACK

Be a VITA Volunteer

For the past three years, the International Rescue Center's Dallas office has run a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program to provide free tax filing services for individuals and families. We would love to invite members of the TXCPA to join us as volunteers in assisting low-income community members with completing their taxes at no cost during the upcoming 2024 Tax Season. Please see additional information below:

Why VITA?

VITA is an IRS and community-sponsored program designed to assist low to moderate income taxpayers with the preparation of their annual tax returns at no cost. In 2024, IRC VITA sites served over 1,000 community members, helping them access over \$2 million in refunds.

What is required?

- No previous experience needed
- Training and certification provided
- In-person availability of 3+ hours/week from January 29 – April 15, 2025; location TBD, but expected to be in the Vickery Meadows area of Dallas (near NorthPark Mall)
- Desire to provide community members with a safe alternative to high-fee tax preparation services and predatory lenders

How to join in?

Use the links below to learn more about volunteer roles and to sign up:

- [Volunteer Tax Screener](#)
- [Volunteer Tax Preparer and Quality Reviewer](#)
- [VITA Intern](#)

We hope you will consider joining us for VITA!

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