President’s Message

With summer behind us, children are settling in to their first days of school. And oh what a milestone the first day of school is for those of us that are blessed to be parents.

For us in the accounting profession, summer tends to be our light time of year. The time of year that we enjoy vacations and time with family, just in time to get involved with September deadlines.

The Suffolk Chapter was busy this summer with both planning and holding various events for our members. The NextGen Committee held a very successful networking event – the Supersized Networking Event, at the Woodbury Country Club. This was a new location for this event, which was beautiful on the clear summer night. This event brought together young professionals and allowed them to get in the habit of forming relationships with various other professional organizations in the legal, insurance and accounting industries.

The East End Committee also held its first Riverboat Tour along the Peconic River at the Long Island Aquarium.

The Fall is a great time to network with other professionals before our true busy season begins. On September 20, the Banker/CPA Committee is holding an “Indian Summer” Networking event at Jewel Restaurant. September 25, our NextGen Committee is holding their Annual Young Professionals Golf Classic at Willow Creek Golf & Country Club. Both are historically very successful events and I look forward to seeing all of you there!

— Melissa Hicks
NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter Volunteer Day at the INN

On Friday August 24, the NextGen Committee participated in a volunteer day at the INN in Hempstead. The INN is the largest soup kitchen on Long Island, addressing the issues of hunger and homelessness on Long Island by providing food, shelter, long-term housing, and supportive services in a dignified and respectful manner for those who seek help.

Members of the NextGen Committee assisted by working in the clothing and food pantry, serving hot meals to guests, manning the shower station and more from 8:30am until 2:30pm.

In addition to volunteering for the day, each member of the NextGen Committee who participated in the event donated a number of school supplies to support the INN’s current need as a new school year is right around the corner. This is the second year in which the NextGen Committee participated in a volunteer day at the INN, and is excited to participate in more volunteer days at the INN in the future.
Riverboat Tour

On Thursday, August 23rd, the East End Committee partnered up with the East End Networking Group for a riverboat tour along the Peconic River in Riverhead. The event began with a bit of networking. The group then boarded the riverboat for an educational and scenic tour along the river with a setting sun in the background and a gentle breeze. After the tour, the group came together under the pavilion for dinner, drinks and networking. You couldn’t have asked for better weather or company that night.

A special thank you to People’s United Bank for sponsoring this brand new event!!! We received great feedback and hope to hold the event again in the future.
Nine and Dine

On Wednesday, July 11, the Forensic and Valuations Services and East End Committees jointly held the 5th annual Nine and Dine golf outing at Cherry Creek Golf Links in Riverhead. There were 59 golfers and 61 attendees for the dinner afterwards. The weather held up nicely as it was a perfect afternoon for golf.

Prizes were given out to the lowest team score using a scramble format, longest drive (men & women) and closest to the pin (men & women). After nine holes of golf, everyone gathered at the 19th Hole Restaurant for drinks, a barbeque dinner, and networking. Various prizes were raffled off including a TV, tablet, Amazon Echo, golf GPS units, Oakley sunglasses, a cigar humidor, gift cards, and much more.

Most importantly, the outing helped raise $285 for the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless Backpack Pirates Program.

We’d like to thank our various sponsors. Without them, this event would not have been possible:

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We look forward to seeing everyone again next year!!! See pics of the event on the next page.
Views from Nine and Dine

Jani Rothberg, Lynn Eckhardt, Paula Pesce

John Spatola Sr., John Spatola, Jr.

Laura McKenna and friends

Lynn Eckhardt, Jani Rothberg, Sean Kelly, Joe Mannina

Marc Palker, Rebecca Brodsky, William Huether, Robert Ward

Paula Pesce, Lynn Eckhardt

Robert Pospischil, Amanda Sexton, Kelli Lanino, Alyson Campolo

Gary Harkins and friends

Anthony Cardona, Daniel Marsala and friends

Sean Kelly, Lynn Eckhardt

Ernest Patrick Smith and friends

Chad Levy, John Hermus, Phil Scarangella

Don Peterson, Tom Pirro, Mark Peterson

Anthony Cardona and friends
Brewery Bus Tour

On Thursday, August 16, the Cooperation with Attorneys Committee hosted a Long Island brewery tour and social event. Sharing the bus ride to the breweries were the New York State Bar Association Young Lawyers Section – 10th District, and the Nassau County Bar Association Lawyers Committee.

The event was well attended by a number of attorneys and CPAs as well as professionals from a variety of other professional industries. Attendees were able to sample beers at multiple breweries and speak with the owners about the breweries and beers.

Thanks to our sponsor, Marcum, LLP for their sponsorship and support of the event.

For more information on how to get involved with the Cooperation with Attorneys Committee, contact David Oksenhorn at david.oksenhorn@marcumllp.com.
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.

Projected Meeting Dates

Mark your calendar now!

Wednesday, September 19, 8-10 a.m.  
Software Licensing Compliance and Defense  
Speaker: Mike Cleary, President of Canyon Consulting.  
Hosted by Empire National Bank, 1707 Veterans Highway, Islandia.

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.

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.

Wednesday, November 14, 8-10 a.m.  
Joint Meeting with Nassau Chapter CFO Committee: Blockchain 101  
Speaker: Richard Gordon, Blockchain Solution Sales, IBM Corporation.  
Location TBD.

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...

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2018**
Members in Industry meeting: Software Licensing Compliance and Defense. Details on page 7.

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2018**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2018**
Annual Young Professionals Golf Classic. Details on page 10.

**OCTOBER 16, 2018**
Members in Industry meeting: Affordable Care Act Update. Details on page 7.

**OCTOBER 17, 2018**

**OCTOBER 20, 2018**
Run for the Ridley. Details on page 11.

**NOVEMBER 10, 2018**
Annual Tax Conference. Details on page 12.

**NOVEMBER 14, 2018**
Members in Industry meeting: Blockchain 101. Details on page 7.

**NOVEMBER 29, 2018**

**DECEMBER 18, 2018**
Annual Ethics Update. Details on page 14.

**DECEMBER 19, 2018**
Members in Industry meeting: Annual GAAP Update. Details on page 7.

**JANUARY 16, 2019**
Members in Industry meeting: Annual Tax and Economic Update. Details on page 7.

For up-to-the-minute NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter activities

CLICK HERE

Committee Chairs!
Make sure to get all future meeting dates to Ken Laks at klaks@avz.com
Hoping for Good Weather...

The Cooperation with Bankers, Other Credit Grantors and Finance Professionals Committees of the NYSSCPA Suffolk & Nassau Chapters invite you to

Indian Summer Networking

Thursday, September 20, 2018 | 6 to 9 p.m.

at Jewel Restaurant
(on the East Patio and Indoor Lounge)
400 Broadhollow Rd, Melville

Come network with the Suffolk and Nassau Chapters under the setting sun!

$60 per person until 9/14/18. $70 after.

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CLICK HERE to register.
Info: DSchadler@bethpagefcu.com, (516) 349-6887
Golfing with Young Professionals...

The 23rd Annual
YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GOLF CLASSIC
Tuesday, September 25, 2018
Willow Creek Golf & Country Club

7:00 a.m.     Hot gourmet breakfast
8:00 a.m.     Shotgun start
1:00 p.m.     Cocktails, buffet, raffles

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: Toys For Tots

GREAT HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZES!

REGISTER EARLY! 9/18/18 is the last day we can accept golfers!

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Suffolk Chapter

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!

The 21st Annual
5K RUN/WALK
FOR THE RIDLEY

Saturday, October 20, 2018
9 a.m. registration | 10 a.m. start
Main Street, Riverhead
(near Roanoke Avenue)

☐ PRESENTER SPONSOR: $5,000
  • Company name and logo on the front of the event t-shirt, on the Foundation website, and on the sponsor board*
  • 15 race entries
  • Table and banner promotion at the race

☐ SILVER SPONSOR: $500
  • Company name and logo on the event t-shirt, on the Foundation website, and on the sponsor board*
  • 5 race entries

☐ GOLD SPONSOR: $1,000
  • Company name and logo on the event t-shirt, on the Foundation website, and on the sponsor board*
  • 10 race entries
  • Table and banner promotion at the race

☐ BRONZE SPONSOR: $250
  • Company name and logo on the Foundation website and on the sponsor board*
  • 2 race entries

☐ INDIVIDUAL RUNNER: $30

* Sponsor board logos will be placed in the Long Island Aquarium for one year after 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.

For info: Sean Kelly, skelly@mfbcpa.com

Registration details on the way!!

Thanks to our T-SHIRT SPONSOR

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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  Estate Planning
NYS Tax Update  Cybersecurity
Tax Collections  Wayfair Decision &
Section 199A  State Nexus Issues

Save the date. More info to come.

8 CPE credits (taxation)

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

The NYSSCPA Suffolk Accounting & Auditing Committee invites you to

NYSSCPA Town Hall Meeting:
State of the Accounting Profession

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)

For information:
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Annual Ethics Update...

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

**2 CPE credits**
*Includes buffet dinner, drinks, and networking.*

**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

$50 Members | $75 Non-members
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- EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
- ESTATE/FINANCIAL PLANNING
- MANAGEMENT OF AN ACCOUNTING PRACTICE
- SMALL BUSINESS
Fun and Games – Kenken

A logic game that is a step up from Sudoku...
Use numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. No numbers can appear more than once in any row or column. Figure out which numbers go in each “cage.” Each cage has a target number when combined using the specified mathematical operation (either addition, subtraction, multiplication or division).

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8 + & 48 + & \\
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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:

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

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