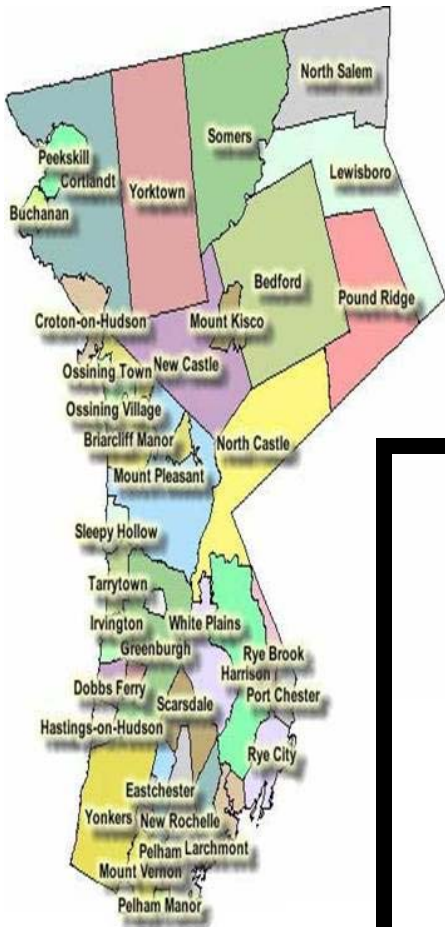




Westchester Chapter E-Newsletter

February 2015



OUR ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP DRIVE IS BEGINNING PLEASE ALERT HS SENIORS AND YOUR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENTS!

This year, we are again offering scholarships to provide financial assistance to deserving high school seniors who plan to enter the accounting profession. Scholarships of \$1,000.00 will be awarded to each selected student.

All Westchester high school seniors with an interest in pursuing a career in accounting are eligible.

An application form (which includes an essay) plus recommendations and transcripts must be submitted to be considered for a scholarship.

The deadline for submission is late-April.

All guidance counselors and high schools are being contacted but please let me know if you need the forms to be sent to a specific individual.

Mark Leeds

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From Chapter President William Zeboris...

Dear Westchester Chapter Members,

While most of us are holed up in our offices trying to stay ahead of the year end tax returns, the Westchester Chapter is hard at work putting on and planning events for the balance of our fiscal year which ends on May 31. Please take a five minute break to read though our newsletter and see what we have planned. Many of the events are simply a save the date, while others require some action to be taken.

Two in particular need more than a calendar entry. First is the annual golf outing which is being held at Willow Ridge County Club in Harrison this year. This event is likely to sell out, so it would be prudent to register early to make sure you have a spot for you and your group.

The second initiative we need help with is our Annual Scholarship Event. Each year we give scholarships out to deserving high school seniors that have expressed an interest in majoring in accounting. We need help spreading the word to those high school seniors, their parents and of course their high schools. Although we reach out to every school we can, they often times do not advertise the opportunity to their students. Help us raise awareness and who knows you may help be able to help a client's son or daughter at the same time.

Good luck getting through the next two months.

Regards,
Bill

William Zeboris can be reached at: 914-949-2990 x3372 or by email at: wzeboris@citrincooperman.com





SAVE THE DATE

The YCPA Wine Tasting Event
To Benefit Blythedale Children's Hospital

When: Thursday, May 14th, 2015

Volunteers and donations items needed!

Please contact Heather Oboda at
hoboda@citrincooperman.com

More information to follow!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:



The NYSSCPA Miniature Golf Tournament
Wednesday, April 22nd, 2015 (6-8p.m.)

The NYSSCPA Kan Jam Tournament
Wednesday, May 6th, 2015 (6-8p.m.)



Locations TBD - Stay Tuned!

DON'T MISS THESE FUN EVENTS!

**The Accountants In Industry Committee Presents:
Asset Preservation for Seniors and their Families
CPE Event**

Guest Speaker: Attorney Anthony Enea

When: Wednesday, March 18th, 2015

Where: Skadden Arps, 360 Hamilton Ave, White Plains

Time: 7:45 a.m. to 9 a.m.

For more info or to register please contact Michael Herz at michaelbherz@gmail.com



TAX HOTLINE ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Westchester Chapter in cooperation with *The Journal News* will host its annual tax hotline on **Saturday, February 28, 2015** from **9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** at *The Journal News* offices

at 1133 Westchester Ave, White Plains, NY.

We are looking for volunteers to answer phone in and web chat questions. This is a wonderful way to provide community service and to get publicity for our profession. We need your assistance in helping our county residents with any tax questions they may have.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Robert Winton by email at rwinton@citrincooperman.com or by phone at 914-949-2990 ext. 3326.

Make sure that you include your name, address and telephone number. We will contact you with more details. We will also let you know what materials to bring that past volunteers found helpful to refer to when answering questions.

NYS SOCIETY OF CPA'S - WESTCHESTER CHAPTER

Announces

THE ANNUAL GOLF OUTING EVENT

MONDAY, June 8th, 2015

WILLOW RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB

123 North Street – Harrison, NY (914) 967-6161

PAYMENT RECEIVED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31ST, 2014 - \$300

PAYMENT RECEIVED PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 15TH, 2015 - \$325

SPONSORSHIPS:

Lunch, Golf, Cocktail Hour, Buffet & Dessert* \$350

Cocktail Hour, Buffet and Dessert Only \$150

LIMITED GOLD SPONSORSHIP: \$1,850 includes
♦ Sign near tee box area that company sponsored the hole
♦ Table at registration desk
♦ Reserved tables at cocktail hour and dinner
♦ Recognition at dinner
♦ Lunch, golf, drinks and dinner for one

* Includes greens fees, forecaddie, cart, and driving range

***** RESERVE EARLY – THIS EVENT WILL GET CLOSED OUT! *****

Line up your foursome with CPAs, clients, bankers, lawyers, etc. If you can't complete a foursome, we will do it for you.

The day begins with **sign-in/registration/brunch at 11:00 am, followed by a shotgun start at 12:30 pm.** Cocktail "hour" and hors d'oeuvres will begin at **approximately 5:30 pm** with open bar. Prizes will be awarded during buffet dinner. **ALL PRO SHOP CERTIFICATES MUST BE REDEEMED THAT EVENING.**

Our members, attorneys, bankers, and friends have contributed prizes. We thank them for their contributions.

Clients, spouses and others are welcome to attend!

Make your reservations early. I look forward to seeing you.

Rain or Shine! * No Refunds

Jeff Schwartz, Chairman

Westchester Chapter Golf Outing – June 8th, 2015

Name (please print) _____
Office Telephone Number _____
Firm Name and address _____
E-mail Address: _____



I want to play in a scramble format (OR BELOW)

I want to play my own ball

Dinner Only

Please put me in a foursome. My handicap is _____.

I have arranged my foursome (Please list other 3 names) _____

_____ _____

My check for \$ _____ is enclosed.

Send check payable to "NYSSCPA – Westchester Chapter" to:

Stanton and Leone

1025 Westchester Avenue – Suite 301

White Plains, NY 10604

Att'n: Jeffrey A. Schwartz, CPA

Telephone (914) 286-6908

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2015 CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program/Activity/Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
02/28/15	Tax Hotline	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
03/18/15	Accountants in Industry CPE Event	7:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
04/22/15	NYSSCPA Miniature Golf Tournament	TBD
05/06/15	NYSSCPA Kan Jam Tournament	TBD
05/14/15	YCPA Wine Tasting Event	TBD
06/08/15	Golf Outing	TBD

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Return this form to: Membership Dept., NYSSCPA, 14 Wall St, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10005

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS 2015

(Board Meetings are generally the 3rd Thursday Morning of the month. Exceptions are noted)

02/19/15 @ 8:00 a.m. (Conference Call)

Lookout for the call information e-mail

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**



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- Rate protection for 3 years
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1. Your eligibility in the program will be determined at the time you apply for a first mortgage loan on a specific property with your Mortgage Consultant.

2. You must have a Citibank deposit account before closing. Prior to closing, we will verify that you have a Citibank deposit account. This can be an existing account or a new account.

3. In addition, we will require you to establish direct debit for mortgage payments from a deposit account.

Both conforming and jumbo loan amounts are allowed for this program.

Program Parameters:

1) The "Rate Protection Conversion Index," which is based on the Citibank par rate, must fall more than one quarter of one percentage point (0.25%) from the Rate Protection Conversion Index in effect as of the date the Note rate was locked.

2) You must notify Citibank to exercise the Rate Protection Option.

3) Mortgage cannot be in default under the Note or the Security Instrument.

4) You must provide or complete any documents the Note Holder requires to effect the new interest rate, including, but not limited to a Loan Modification Agreement.

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