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# Education Foundation Announces 2019 Scholarship Winners

## Graduate Scholarships



**Anna C. Bostick**  
*Mississippi State University*



**Breonna R. Dear**  
*Jackson State University*



**Paige Dillstone**  
*University of Southern Mississippi*



**Rebecca A. Falls**  
*Millsaps College*  
Rhyne E. Neubert Scholarship



**Hannah C. Gray**  
*Mississippi College*  
Ralph F. Neely Scholarship



**Bailey W. Matthews**  
*Delta State University*  
Gary Thornton Memorial Scholarship



**Macey A. Mooneyham**  
*Univ. of Mississippi*  
Edward A. DeMiller, Jr. Scholarship

## Undergraduate Scholarships



**Ethan Lange Emory**  
*Millsaps College*  
Hamp King Award



**Derrell Joel Bilsky**  
*Delta State University*



**Roxie Brown**  
*Jackson State University*



**Matthew B. Ferris**  
*Mississippi State University*



**Joseph A. Katool Jr.**  
*University of Mississippi*



**Scott T. Keys**  
*Alcorn State University*



**Kayla Jo Martin**  
*University of Southern Mississippi*



**Jacob W. Thomas**  
*Mississippi University for Women*



**Kristina A. Williams**  
*Mississippi College*



**Jacob R. Jenkins**  
*Univ. of Southern MS*  
Bill Rush Mosby, Jr. Scholarship

## Sign up for CPA Day of Service – November 8



The MSCPA Young CPA Network has planned a day where ALL Society members can give back to their communities in some way. CPA Day of Service is a fun way to interact with fellow CPAs and accounting professionals while engaging with the community that you serve on a daily basis. As part of our Centennial celebration, we are also planning a

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# Welcome New Members

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Bernadette Levens Tolson, CPA  
Long Beach

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Meridian

## DAY OF SERVICE

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100 volunteers challenge for our Annual CPA Day of Service. Use the hashtag #100YearsMSCPA if you'd like to post photos to social media of your volunteer activity.

### ALL Society Members Are Invited to Serve

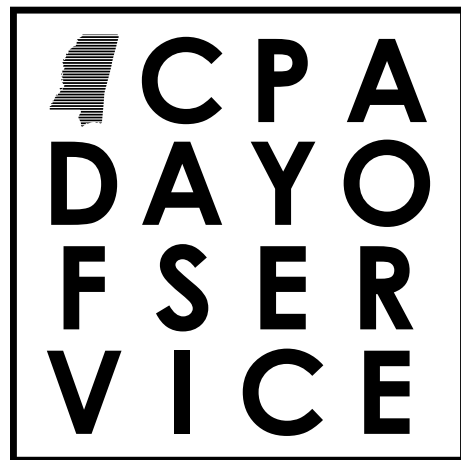
The MSCPA will once again team up with the Mississippi Food Network in Metro Jackson for the fifth year in a row to collect food and provide nourishing meals to hungry Mississippians and will help at various other organizations across the State.

MSCPA is coordinating events statewide including the areas of Metro Jackson, Gulf Coast, Hattiesburg, Tupelo, Meridian, Greenville, Starkville, Oxford, Columbus, Laurel, Hernando, Natchez, and Cleveland. Exact locations and times will be sent out to those who sign up.

You can sign up as an individual or a group for the CPA Day of Service. Register to participate online on the SIGNUPGENIUS website. Choose the search icon and then search for sign up with the msyoungcpa@ms-cpa.org email address.

New participants will receive a free t-shirt to wear when you volunteer if you register by October 15. There is no deadline for registration, just make sure you register by the event day, Friday, November 8. If you are a returning participant, please sign-up online and wear the t-shirt you received last year.

If you have questions about the event, you can contact MSCPA Young CPA Network Day of Service Committee Chairs, Jack Kaler and Meghan Ozburn, at msyoungcpa@ms-cpa.org. Beta Alpha Psi and other accounting societies are encouraged to participate again this year.



MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

# Member News

## Levens named Chairman of The Board of Directors of Hancock Whitney Corporation



Retired AVL Partner, **JERRY LEVENS, CPA, CFE, CGMA**, was recently named Chairman of The Board of Directors of Hancock Whitney Corporation (Nasdaq: HWC) and also named Chairman of the Board of HWC's banking subsidiary, Hancock Whitney Bank. Hancock Whitney Bank, founded in 1899, is approximately a \$30 billion bank. It is the largest bank headquartered in Mississippi. In addition to Mississippi the Company has operations in Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida and Tennessee. Levens served as a partner, for the last 27 years, for the regional CPA firm of Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens & Favre, PLLC, based on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. For twenty-five years he served as the partner in charge of all of the

firm's audit and assurance engagements.

Mr. Levens has been a very active member of the MSCP, serving as 2000-2001 MSCP Chairman. He has also served on the MSCP Political Action Committee, Gulf Coast Chapter of the MSCP, and is a former Trustee of the Mississippi Tax Institute. He has received numerous awards and commendations for his professional, civic, and business activities and is a recipient of the MSCP's Public Service Award.

## Watson chosen by the Southeastern Council of Foundations to be a 2019-2020 Hull Fellow



**SHANELL WATSON, CPA** was selected by the Southeastern Council of Foundations (SECF) to participate in the 2019-20 Hull Fellows program for philanthropy professionals. The fellowship activities will kickoff at SECF's 50th anniversary conference in November and over the course of a year, the cohort of 25 will explore their leadership skills, the history of the South, and the latest trends and best practices for foundations today. Fellows will put those lessons into practice by working with peers to study the issues shaping modern philanthropy and

forming their own ideas on how grantmaking should evolve in the years and decades ahead. Shanell is serving as a program officer with the Woodward Hines Education Foundation, an endowed Mississippi non-profit organization, whose mission is to help more Mississippians obtain postsecondary credentials, college certificates, and degrees that lead to meaningful employment.

Mrs. Watson has been a very active member of the MSCP and serves as Chairman of the Young CPA Liaison Committee, on the Awards, Education and Scholarships Committee as Millennial Chair, and has represented the Central Chapter on the Board of Governors. She is also an inaugural member of the MSCP Young CPA Network Board and Communications Committee.

## Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC Merges Laurel Based Firm, Wm. F. Horne & Company, PLLC



Top 20 nationally ranked CPA and advisory firm Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC (CRI) has increased its investment in the state of Mississippi, expanding its locations to serve clients there through the merger of Wm. F. Horne & Company, PLLC.

"Increasing our footprint in Mississippi is an important part of our growth strategy," stated William H. Carr, chairman and managing partner of CRI. "The Wm. F. Horne & Company office in Laurel coupled with our current Jackson office leverages the alliance of our combined teams and resources to enhance our client service delivery and technical expertise, while further establishing our strength in the state."

CRI is one of the fastest growing and forward-thinking CPA and advisory firms in the nation, now operating in 29 markets across 10 states, with the addition of Wm. F. Horne & Company office to their locations. In addition to providing full-service accounting services such as accounting and auditing, tax, advisory, and client accounting services, the firm operates seven portfolio companies—Auditwerx (SOC reporting and IT audits), CRI Advanced Analytics (data analytics), CRI Capital Advisors (investment banking), CRI Solutions Group (management consulting), CRI TPA Services (retirement plan administration), Paywerx (payroll management), and Level Four Advisory Services (wealth management).

# Education Foundation Awards \$41,000 in Scholarships

The Education Foundation of the Mississippi Society of CPAs recently awarded \$41,000 in college scholarships for the fall 2019 term. Founded in the early 1970s, the Foundation seeks to promote accounting education in Mississippi colleges and universities by helping students pursue a CPA career.

College juniors, seniors, and graduate students representing 9 Mississippi institutions applied for the scholarships, which required submitted essays, transcripts, and resumes. Scholarships worth \$2,500 each were awarded to 15 students and a scholarship worth \$1,000 was awarded to a student from the Natchez-Adams County area.

## GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

### ANNA C. BOSTICK

*Mississippi State University*



Anna Bostick of Hattiesburg has a 3.8 GPA in accounting and a 3.9 GPA overall. At Mississippi State, she volunteers as a Orientation Leader, Roadrunner, Foundation Ambassador, and

serves with Freshman Edge and Chi Omega Sorority as Director of Programming. She is also a member of Beta Alpha Psi, Phi Kappa Phi, Omicron Delta, and Lambda Sigma honor societies as well as the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. Outside of college, she volunteers with Make-A-Wish, Eyes of Love Ministries-President, Palmer Home, Dresses of Hope, and the Brockfire Project children's afterschool mentoring program. She also works as a graduate assistant in the Adkerson School of Accountancy.

### BREONNA R. DEAR

*Jackson State University*

Breonna Dear of Jackson has a 3.85 GPA in accounting and a 3.85 GPA overall. She is active in campus organizations including Tau Sigma National Honor Society serving



as Secretary, the Accounting Society, and the VITA Program. Outside of college, Breonna is very active in her church.

### PAIGE DILLISTONE

*University of Southern Mississippi*



Paige Dillistone of Hattiesburg has a 3.889 GPA in accounting and a 3.975 GPA overall. Paige is a member of Delta Gamma Fraternity and USM's College Panhellenic Council where she serves as Director of

Finance, Gamma Rho Chi recruitment leader, and Vice President of Administration. She is also a member of Beta Gamma Sigma and Beta Alpha Psi honor societies. She has completed internships with Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance and KPMG, participating in their Global Internship Program. She is currently a graduate assistant and has accepted a full-time position at KPMG.

### REBECCA A. FALLS

*Millsaps College*

Rhynne E. Neubert Scholarship



Rebecca Falls of Minter City has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 4.0 GPA overall. At Millsaps, she is involved with many organizations such as Kappa Delta Sorority (President and Community Service

Chair), Circle of Sisterhood Foundation (committee member), Foundations Leader, Canterbury Club, Women's Soccer Team, and Athletic Department (student worker). She is also a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Sigma Lambda-Secretary, Beta Alpha Psi, Order of Omega-Treasurer, and Beta Gamma Sigma honor societies. She received the Millsaps Legacy Scholarship and Presidential Scholarship. She has interned at Viking Range, Lott Fuller & Associates, Pure Air Filter, and most recently at Ernst & Young's New Orleans office where she assisted engagement teams and gained experience in a wide variety of industries

such as oil & gas, construction, and retail.

The Rhynne E. Neubert Scholarship was established in 2016 to honor Mr. Neubert who has served as a Trustee of the Education Foundation since inception. Under his investment guidance and expertise, the Fund has grown from an original contribution of \$1,000 to its level today. Mr. Neubert served as MSCPA President during 1972-73 and was honored by the MSCPA in 1996 as the Public Service Award Winner for outstanding service to his community.

### HANNAH C. GRAY

*Mississippi College*

Ralph F. Neely Scholarship



Hannah Gray of Brandon has a 3.9 GPA in accounting and a 3.98 GPA overall. At Mississippi College, she is involved with many organizations such as School of Business Student Advisory Board, MC Accounting

Society, and the Association of Governmental Accountants National Collegiate Leadership Program. She is the recipient of the MSCPA's Outstanding Accounting Major Award, Sandra Parks Outstanding Academic Achievement Award, and the Jacqueline Jones Outstanding Accounting Student Award. Hannah completed an audit internship with KPMG in 2019.

The Ralph F. Neely Scholarship was established in 2016 to honor Mr. Neely who was an original Trustee of the Education Foundation when it was founded. Mr. Neely served as MSCPA President during 1966-67.

### BAILEY W. MATTHEWS

*Delta State University*

Gary Thornton Memorial Scholarship



Bailey Matthews of Clarksdale has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 4.0 GPA overall. At Delta State, she is involved with many organizations such as Business Student Advisory Council, Student Accountant

and Business Administrators Organization-Secretary, and Delta State chapter of Certified Management Accountants-Director of Scholarship. She is also a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Delta Mu Delta, and the Delta State Accounting honor societies and is a student member of the Institute of Management Accountants. Bailey was nominated by the accounting faculty for the Jack Winton Gunn Award and Student Hall of Fame. She is the recipient of the Lady Statesman Emerald Award of Excellence for top college of business undergraduate scholar for 2019. Bailey is a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Clarksdale where she serves on the Fellowship Committee and as a music leader.

The Gary E. Thornton Memorial Scholarship was established in 1999 by Gary's widow, Cathy. Gary was an active MSCPA member and former chair of the Governmental A&A Committee. He died in March of 1999.

#### **MACEY A. MOONEYHAM**

*University of Mississippi*

Edward A. DeMiller, Jr. Scholarship



Macey Mooneyham of Greenwood has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 4.0 GPA overall. At Ole Miss, she is involved with many organizations such as Delta Gamma Sorority, Ole Miss Wesley Foundation,

and MoneyThink Mentor where she promotes financial literacy to high school students. She is also a member of Gamma Beta Phi, Phi Kappa Phi, Beta Alpha Psi, and Beta Gamma Sigma honor societies. Macey is a Provost Scholar and Taylor Medalist and received the Flesher and Flesher fellowship as a graduate assistant. Macey also volunteers with the Oxford-Lafayette Humane Society and attends Pinelake Church.

The Edward A. DeMiller, Jr. Scholarship was established in 2016 to honor Mr. DeMiller who was an original Trustee of the Education Foundation when it was founded. Mr. DeMiller, who died in 2014, served as MSCPA President during 1959-60.

#### **UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS**

##### **ETHAN LANGE EMORY**

*Millsaps College*



Hamp King Award  
Ethan Emory of Magee has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 3.92 GPA overall. At Millsaps, he is involved with many organizations such as United Nations

Association-President, Beta Alpha Psi-President, Beta Gamma Sigma, Sociology and Anthropology Club, Mississippi Experimental Music Ensemble, and is a former Resident Hall Director and Resident Assistant. He volunteers with the IRS VITA at Midtown and has worked for Butler Snow LLP and the Office of David Miller. He has interned with Mississippi Legislature's Joint Legislative Committee of Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review, Mississippi Development Authority, C Spire, and has accepted an audit internship with KPMG in Jackson for 2020.

The prestigious Hamp King Award is given to the most outstanding undergraduate scholarship recipient. This award was established to recognize and honor the memory of the late Hamp King, a CPA who served as Mississippi's State Auditor for many years. The winner is invited to the Mississippi Tax Institute conference on December 5, 2019, at the Hilton-Jackson to receive the award along with an additional \$1,000 scholarship to be given by the Institute.

##### **DERRELL JOEL BILSKY**

*Delta State University*



Derrell Bilsky of Lexington has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 4.0 GPA overall. At Delta State, he helps other students navigate success by volunteering at the Student Success Center where he tutors students in algebra,

calculus, financial accounting and managerial accounting. He also volunteers with the 4-H youth program as a shotgun and archery assistant and with the Coxburg Community Center Trailrides in Lexington. Derrell is the recipient of the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship.

##### **ROXIE BROWN**

*Jackson State University*



Roxie Brown of Raleigh has a 3.65 GPA in accounting and a 3.44 GPA overall. At Jackson State, she is involved with organizations such as the Accounting Society and the National Association of Black

Accountants. Roxie also tutors students in accounting and other subjects and volunteers with the youth ministry at her church.

##### **MATTHEW B. FERRIS**

*Mississippi State University*



Matthew Ferris of Starkville has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 4.0 GPA overall. At Mississippi State, he is involved with many organizations such as Accounting and Finance Student Society, Accelerating Students

into the Accounting Profession (ASAP) Summer Camp, and the German Club. He is a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity-Campus Chapter Treasurer and University Christian Student Center at Starkville Church of Christ and was a student in the study and intern education abroad program in Berlin, Germany this past summer.

##### **JOSEPH A. KATOOL JR.**

*University of Mississippi*



JoJo Katool of Jackson has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 4.0 GPA overall. At Ole Miss, he is involved with many organizations such as the Ole Miss Big Event community service project, RebelTHON

fundraiser for Blair E. Batson Children's Hospital, and is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Kappa Phi and Beta Alpha Psi honor societies. He is also member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity serving on the bylaws committee and as marketing chairman, house manager, and treasurer and has been a recruitment counselor for the Intrafraternity Council. JoJo works with the Ole Miss campus radio station, Rebel Radio 92.1, where he calls play-by-play for Ole Miss softball games and has co-hosted a show covering the Ole Miss football program. He is a Boy Scouts of America Troop 30 Eagle Scout and is involved with St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church campus ministry at Ole Miss.

##### **SCOTT T. KEYS**

*Alcorn State University*



Scott Keys of Lorman has a 3.4 GPA in accounting and a 3.3 GPA overall. At Alcorn, he is involved with many organizations such as National Association for Black Accountants, National Society for Leadership and Success, Student Support Services, and the Campus Activity Board. He is a member of

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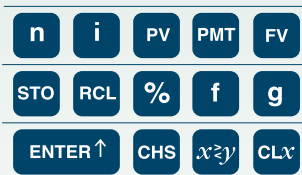
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Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity currently serving as Treasurer, and he also volunteers with the Impact and Purpose community service groups.

**KAYLA JO MARTIN**

*University of Southern Mississippi*



Kayla Jo Martin of Hattiesburg has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 3.936 GPA overall. At Southern Miss, she serves as Vice President of Membership and Finance for Beta Gamma Sigma business honor society. She has

also interned with Regions Bank in Hattiesburg.

**JACOB W. THOMAS**

*Mississippi University for Women*



Jacob Thomas of Brandon has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 3.76 GPA overall. At MUW, he is a member of the soccer team and tennis team. He also volunteers with the Saint Marks United Methodist Church

youth group and participates in their college ministry.

**KRISTINA A. WILLIAMS**

*Mississippi College*



Kristina Williams of Canton has a 4.0 GPA in accounting and a 3.93 GPA overall. At MC, she is involved with many organizations such as the Mississippi College Accounting Society, InterVarsity Christian

Fellowship, Alfa Mu Gamma foreign language honor society, and Alpha Chi honor society. She also serves on her church's financial team counsel as financial secretary, and volunteers with Youth Extreme Summer (YES) Camp as an activity staff member, art teacher and counselor.

**JACOB R. JENKINS**

*University of Southern Mississippi*

Bill Rush Mosby, Jr. Scholarship



Jacob Jenkins of Natchez has a 3.167 GPA in accounting and a 3.206 GPA overall. While at Southern Miss, he works 30 hours a week.

The Bill Rush Mosby, Jr. Scholarship was established to honor

the late Bill Rush Mosby, Jr. of Natchez. He served as MSCPA President in 1977-78 and was honored by the MSCPA in 2000 as the Public Service Award Winner for outstanding service to his community. This \$1,000 scholarship is awarded each year to an undergraduate accounting major from the Natchez (Adams County) area.



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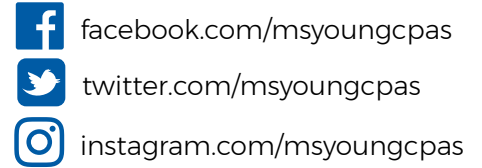


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## Meet the Firms

Members of the MSCPA Young CPA Network visited with college accounting students at the Meet the Firms events and talked with them about their future plans for becoming a CPA and introduced them to the MSCPA.



September 3 – Millsaps: Shannon Adams, Jack Kaler, and Meghan Ozburn



August 28 – Ole Miss: Allison Garner and Alex Hobson



September 5 – Southern Miss: Lydia Windham, Harrison Edwards, and Karen Moody



September 10 – Mississippi College: Jack Kaler and Phillip Chu

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## Pine Belt Social in Hattiesburg

The MSCPA Young CPA Network hosted a Pine Belt Social Event for MSCPA **Southeast Chapter** members and other professionals Thursday, September 5, at Branch Bar in Hattiesburg following the Southern Miss Meet the Firms.



## YCPA Social in Natchez

The MSCPA invites you to join us for a social event at 100 Main in Natchez! Stop by anytime from 5:30-7:30pm for food and drinks.

**Thursday, October 17**

**5:30-7:30pm**

**100 Main Spirits & Eatery-Natchez  
In the Barrell Room**

Don't miss this opportunity to network with MSCPA members and other professionals. Young CPA Network members, student members, and young professionals are invited.

**IT'S FREE!**

Hosted by the MSCPA Young CPA Network, this social is in conjunction with the Natchez-Adams County Chamber of Commerce After Hours event sponsored by Silas Simmons LLP.

# CHAPTER NEWS

## East Central

The MSCPA East Central Chapter held a lunch social August 22 at Weidmann's Restaurant in Meridian. MSCPA Chairman Donna Bruce and President/CEO Karen Moody attended to kick off our #100YearsMSCPA Centennial Anniversary celebrations. Thank you to the officers and Reorganization Committee for their tremendous efforts in revitalizing the Chapter!

Following the event Donna and Karen visited **Rea, Shaw, Giffin & Stuart, LLP CPA** and **Kemp, Williams, Steverson & Bernard, P.A.** to discuss member benefits and ways to better serve our firms and membership. Thank you for the tours of your offices and your hospitality.



2019-2020 Chapter Officers from L to R: Doug Coleman-Secretary/Treasurer; Pam Steverson-President; and Stuart Yarbrough-Vice President.



MSCPA East Central Chapter Reorganization Committee.



## Central

**CPE Luncheon on Thursday, October 31, 2019**

- MSCPA Training Center-Ridgeland
- Cost for chapter members: \$20
- RSVP to [sgill@mclcpa.net](mailto:sgill@mclcpa.net)

## Delta

**CPE Dinner on Tuesday, November 5, 2019**

- Cotton House Hotel-Cleveland
- RSVP to [lisasandifer@sayle-sandifer.com](mailto:lisasandifer@sayle-sandifer.com)

## Northwest

**Income Tax Seminar on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 5-6, 2019**

- BancorpSouth Conference Center-Tupelo
- Cost: \$325 (2 days) / \$225 (1 day)
- RSVP to [nemscpa@gmail.com](mailto:nemscpa@gmail.com)

# CHAPTER NEWS

## Gulf Coast

The MSCPA Gulf Coast Chapter had a Lunch & Learn on August 23 at the Singing River Health System boardroom in Ocean Springs with a CPE presentation by Hospital CEO Lee Bond, and a tour of the facility with department heads and key managers. This is the first of many Gulf Coast Chapter meetings being planned by our new Chapter officers led by Chapter President Kim Allison-Banisch. We are excited to see renewed enthusiasm and support by the Chapter members and look forward to a great year and the networking opportunities to come.

MSCPA President/CEO Karen Moody and MSCPA Chairman Donna Bruce were also in attendance to kick off MSCPA's Centennial Celebration. They also visited **Piltz, Williams, LaRosa & Company** and **Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens & Favre PLLC** to share and gather information beneficial to the firms and the profession.



*2019-2020 Chapter Officers from L or R: Richard Brown-Treasurer; Kim Allison-Banisch-President; Haley Welford-Vice President; and Mary Bui-Secretary.*



# CONFERENCES

## Governmental Accounting & Auditing Conference

The MSCPA 35th Annual Governmental Accounting & Auditing Conference was held on August 15-16 at the Hilton-Jackson with over 200 in attendance at the two day event. The conference featured national speaker Lisa Parker of GASB, information from the Office of the State Auditor, and a lunch keynote from editorial cartoonist Marshall Ramsey. Longtime MSCPA insurance partner, Stormy Blair with Brown and Brown, exhibited.

*Lydia Windham, Chairman*

*Phillip Chu, Millennial Chair*





## Agricultural and Farm Activities Conference

The new MSCPA Agricultural and Farm Activities Conference was held on August 30 at the MSCPA Training Center in Ridgeland with 55 attending in person or via livestream. The conference included a farm tax update by Michael Frost as well as updates from the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, the U.S. Department of Labor, and Mississippi State University. MSCPA hosted our in person attendees with a tailgating theme to celebrate National College Colors Day and the kickoff of football season.





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# Industry Conference

Friday, October 18, 2019

*Livestream and In Person at the MSCPA Training Center-Ridgeland*

**Member Price: \$175**

This event is designed to approach critical topics from the perspective of a CFO, controller, manager or accountant from the inside of a business or industry position.

## Agenda

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| 8:00-8:30   | Registration and Breakfast   |
| 8:30-10:00  | Fraud in Plain Sight<br><i>Donna Ingram, CPA</i>   |
| 10:00-10:10 | Break  |
| 10:10-11:10 | Insurance Trends/Is Your Business Covered?<br><i>Tiffany Hawkins, FCCI Insurance</i>             |
| 11:10-12:00 | Commercial Litigation/Contract Disputes<br><i>John Dollarhide and Haley Gregory, Butler Snow</i> |
| 12:00-12:50 | Lunch  |
| 12:50-2:00  | Wage and Hour Laws Update<br><i>Susan Denham-Collins, Department of Labor</i>                    |
| 2:00-2:50   | Opportunity Zones<br><i>TBD, Butler Snow</i>   |
| 2:50-3:00   | Break  |
| 3:00-4:20   | Dealing with Difficult Customers and Co-Workers<br><i>Laura Lewis, MEA Cares</i>                 |
| 4:20        | Door Prize/Adjourn   |

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# Accounting Education Conference

Friday, October 25, 2019

MSCPA Training Center | Ridgeland

**Price: \$90**

This annual event updates accounting educators on accounting industry trends and equips them to help their students succeed.

## Agenda

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| 8:00-8:25 a.m.   | Registration/Breakfast  |
| 8:25-8:30 a.m.   | Opening Remarks   |
| 8:30-9:45 a.m.   | <i>Technology in the Classroom</i><br><b>Julie Clark</b> , Hinds Community College  |
| 9:45-10:00 a.m.  | Exhibitor Presentations and Gleim Scholarship Giveaways   |
| 10:00-10:15 a.m. | Networking Break with Exhibitors sponsored by Piltz, Williams, LaRosa & Co.   |
| 10:15-11:55 a.m. | <i>Data Analytics Curriculum</i><br><b>Jeremy Griffin</b> , University of Mississippi<br><b>Jonathan M. Legner</b> , HORNE LLP<br><b>Dave L. Nichols</b> , University of Mississippi<br><b>Jared S. Soileau</b> , Louisiana State University<br><b>Brad S. Trinkle</b> , Mississippi State University |
| 11:55-12:00 p.m. | <b>Announcement of 2020 MSCPA Outstanding Educator</b>  |
| 12:00-12:50 p.m. | Lunch (provided)  |
| 12:50-1:50 p.m.  | <i>Best Practices for Developing an Online Course</i><br><b>Billy A. Morehead</b> , Mississippi College   |
| 1:50-2:40 p.m.   | <i>State Board Update</i><br><b>Sharee S. Brewer</b> , Mississippi State Board of Public Accountancy  |
| 2:40-2:50 p.m.   | Networking Break with Exhibitors sponsored by Silas Simmons, LLP  |
| 2:50-3:40 p.m.   | <i>Auditing of the Future</i><br><b>Wilkins M. Crawford</b> , BKD LLP   |
| 3:40-4:30 p.m.   | <i>Online Test Integrity</i><br><b>Billy A. Morehead</b> , Mississippi College  |
| 4:30 p.m.        | Door Prize Giveaway/Conference Adjourn  |

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# Banking and Finance Conference

Monday, November 4, 2019

Hilton-Jackson | Member Price: \$200

7:45-8:25 a.m.	Registration/Breakfast	12:45-1:35 p.m.	<i>Economic Update</i> <b>Dudley Carter</b> , Vining Sparks
8:25-8:30 a.m.	Opening Remarks	1:35-2:25 p.m.	<i>Current Trends in Bank Internal Audit</i> <b>Mike Thomas</b> , Crowe
8:30-10:00 a.m.	<i>Asset/Liability Management and Funding and Liquidity Risk Management</i> <b>Mike Delisle</b> , FTN Financial	2:25-2:40 p.m.	Networking Break w/ Exhibitors
10:00-10:15 a.m.	Networking Break w/ Exhibitors	2:40-3:30 p.m.	<i>Cybersecurity</i> <b>Johnny Sanders</b> , BKD
10:15-11:45 a.m.	<i>Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Arrangements</i> <b>David Shoemaker &amp; James Taylor</b> , NFP/ Equias	3:30-4:20 p.m.	<i>Accounting &amp; Auditing Update</i> <b>Scott Adams</b> , Silas Simmons
11:45-12:45 p.m.	Lunch	4:20-4:30 p.m.	Door Prize Giveaways Conference Adjourns
12:20-12:40 p.m.	<b>Keynote</b> <b>Ben Cayson &amp; Bailey Hartel</b> , MS Dept of Banking & Consumer Finance	4:30 p.m.	Networking Social in Foyer

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# Not-for-Profit Conference

**Tuesday, November 19, 2019**

**Hilton-Jackson | Price: \$100**

## Conference Topics

- Impact of the New Tax Law
- Segregation of Duties and Internal Controls
- Compliance and Budgets
- Impact Assessment: Managing to Outcomes
- UBTI Issue on Parking Costs
- MS Tax Credit on Giving to Qualified Foster Care
- Charitable Orgs and to Endowment Funds
- Overview of MS Alliance of Nonprofits and Philanthropy
- Revenue Recognition & Leases
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# Business Valuation and Litigation Support Services Conference

**Thursday, November 14, 2019**

*Livestream and In Person at the MSCPA Training Center-Ridgeland*

**Member Price: \$185**

## Conference Topics

- Reasonable Compensation: A Deeper Dive
- Personal v. Practice Goodwill
- Anatomy of a Deal Gone Bad
- Hot Topics/Case Law Update
- Complex Forensic Accounting Applications
- Fraud in Business Valuations
- Standards Update

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# MISSISSIPPI TAX INSTITUTE

**Wednesday & Thursday, December 4-5, 2019**  
**Hilton-Jackson**

This event is designed to help you manage and thrive in this ever-changing tax environment. Discover how the latest changes will affect your clients or company. Learn new tax-saving strategies and enhance your skills and knowledge so you can provide outstanding results.

**NEW! The MSCPA Taxation Committee has added an afternoon Bonus Session on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, prior to the Conference.**

## Wednesday, December 4, 2019

### Optional Session – Tax Update

- 1:00pm-4:30pm
- CPE Credits: 4 / CLE Credits: 3.33
- Price \$100

## Thursday, December 5, 2019

### Mississippi Tax Institute

- 8:30am-4:30pm
- CPE Credits: 8 / CLE Credits: 6.67
- Price: \$200

## Conference Topics

- Update of 199A Regulations
- Tax Controversy Update
- Multistate Update
- Federal Update
- Exempt Organizations
- Estate and Gift: Basis Planning
- Mississippi Tax Credits
- Probate Code Update
- Eggshell Audits
- Opportunity Zones
- Divorce & Prenup Issues
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 Level: ..... Update  
 CPE Credit: ..... 8 Gen  
 Location: ..... Online  
 M / N: ..... \$210 / \$210  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm



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 Level: ..... Update  
 CPE Credit: ..... 8 Gen  
 City: ..... Ridgeland  
 Location: ..... MSCPA Center  
 M / N: ..... \$175 / \$250  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm

## 10/18/2019 IN PERSON: Industry Conference Fri Speaker: Various

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 Vendor: ..... AICPA  
 Level: ..... Intermediate  
 CPE Credit: ..... 4 Tax  
 City: ..... Gulfport  
 Location: ..... Marriott Courtyard  
 M / N: ..... \$155 / \$195  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-12:00pm

## 10/22/2019 Reviewing Individual Tax Returns: What Are You Missing? Tues Speaker: William F. (Bill) Taylor

Join us as we discuss the common errors practitioners make on individual tax returns that are often missed by review staff. The intent is to sharpen skills for reviewers by examining case studies and discussing issues where additional information from the client may be warranted and areas of tax law where proper treatment requires additional analysis and information. Multiple issues will be discussed including pass-through K-1s, home office issues, hobby losses, rental property, hiring spouses, depreciation, §179 issues, amortization and more! Course materials include the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (TCJA) tax reform law. This course follows a highly illustrative case study format to increase participant comprehension and retention.

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 Time: ..... 1:00pm-4:30pm

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 CPE Credit: ..... 8 Tax  
 City: ..... Gulfport  
 Location: ..... Marriott Courtyard  
 M / N: ..... \$275 / \$345  
 AICPA Member Discount: ..... \$30  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm



## 10/23/2019 Cut Your Client's Tax Bill: Individual Tax Planning Tips Wed and Strategies Speaker: William F. (Bill) Taylor

Make sure your clients are protecting themselves from higher taxes. Get the latest techniques for building and conserving wealth through proactive tax-planning and investment strategies. Completely updated for tax law changes, this course will bring you up-to-date on the latest strategies which will preserve your clients' wealth and ensure your role as trusted advisor to your clients! Course materials include the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (TCJA) tax reform law.

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 Vendor: ..... MSCPA  
 Level: ..... Update  
 CPE Credit: ..... 8 Gen  
 City: ..... Ridgeland  
 Location: ..... MSCPA Center  
 M / N: ..... \$90 / \$90  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm

**10/25/2019 Accounting Education Conference**  
**Fri Speaker: Various**

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 CPE Credit: ..... 8 Tax  
 City: ..... Ridgeland  
 Location: ..... MSCPA Center  
 M / N: ..... \$275 / \$345  
 AICPA Member Discount: ..... \$30  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm

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**10/28/2019 Tax Considerations and Consequences for Closely Held Businesses**  
**Mon Speaker: Gordon Meicher**

Provide insightful recommendations for the challenges faced by your closely held business clients. Employ smart business decisions that will minimize the tax burden, not only on the business, but also on the owners. The concepts are uniquely laid out in the course to allow you to easily and quickly identify those tax-saving strategies that fit your client's situation. Course materials include the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (TCJA) tax reform law.

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 Level: ..... Intermediate  
 CPE Credit: ..... 16 Tax  
 City: ..... Ridgeland  
 Location: ..... MSCPA Center  
 M / N: ..... \$390 / \$540  
 AICPA Member Discount: ..... \$60  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm

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**10/29-10/30/19 1040 Tax Return Workshop**  
**Tues - Wed Speaker: Gordon Meicher**

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 City: ..... Jackson  
 Location: ..... Hilton-Jackson  
 M / N: ..... \$200 / \$275  
 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm

**11/4/2019 Banking and Finance Conference**  
**Tues Speaker: Various**

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 M / N: ..... \$275 / \$345  
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 Time: ..... 8:30am-4:30pm

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**11/6/2019 IN PERSON: Construction Contractors: Accounting, Auditing, and Tax**  
**Wed Speaker: Andrew Copeland**

The construction industry is one of the most unique when it comes to being in compliance with the various accounting and auditing standards. This course examines the core knowledge necessary to succeed and the key issues impacting construction accounting, auditing, and taxation. Find out what new developments may mean for you, your company, or your clients. In addition, this course explores the relationship between the contractor and the surety. With construction comprising such a large portion of the economy and always growing, it is more important than ever for you to be on top of the very latest in accounting, auditing, and tax changes for the construction industry.

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 Level: ..... Basic  
 CPE Credit: ..... 6 A&A / 2 Tax  
 Location: ..... Online  
 M / N: ..... \$275 / \$345  
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