



Meet Jessica Hopfenspirger - TXCPA Central Texas Vice President

Hi! I'm a Senior Audit Manager at Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP in Waco, TX, and I've been working in accounting for the past 15 years — 10 of those in audit. I have experience with the oil and gas industry, nonprofits, financial institutions, franchises, and other corporate industries. I'm also a proud member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Class of 2009 — Whoop!

My passion outside of work is serving others through mentorship and philanthropy. I currently serve on the board of CASA of Milam County and have been active in the Waco Chamber's LEAD mentor program for the past four years.

At home, I'm a mom to two wonderful boys (ages 8 and 9), three cats, and three dogs — so it's safe to say there's never a dull moment!

I've always enjoyed being a CPA because the unique day-to-day challenges and ever-changing regulatory environment keep me on my toes. I'm thrilled to be part of the TXCPA Central Texas Board of Directors and I'm excited about what the future holds for CPAs!

CPE



November 17, 2025 Monday, Individual Tax Update

November 18, 2025 Tuesday, Business Tax Update

By Blaise Bender, J.D., CPA

Hilton Garden Inn
5800 Legend Lake Parkway
Waco, Texas 76712
8 am Sign-in; 8:30 am Course Begins

Join us for the Chapter's Annual Tax Updates and earn up to 16 hours of CPE Credits. Get ready for tax season with the latest updates — including the new requirements in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

We can provide a group invoice upon request, and payments may be made by check or by credit card through Eventbrite. Register by Thursday, November 6 to assist with headcounts, but we will continue to accept reservations and payments through November 17th. For questions, please contact Rebekah North at rnorth@txcpact.cpa, office 254-732-3026 or cell 254-715-8718.

Our Chapter Scholarship Donation drawing is back during both CPE days. Donate \$20 or more and your name will be entered into a gift card drawing. Chapter scholarships benefit Baylor University, Tarleton in Waco, and the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor accounting students. Cash and Venmo will be accepted.

For more information and to pay with credit cards:

Community & Connection



Connect with other young accounting professionals at this fun and casual networking lunch hosted by our **Young Professionals Committee**. Enjoy complimentary tacos, great company, and the opportunity to give back to our community.

How You Can Help:

Bring a **nonperishable food item** to be entered into our **gift card drawing!** All donated items will support **KWTX's Food for Families** drive.

Who Can Attend:

This event is open to **CPAs, CPA candidates, accounting professionals, and students under 40**. Invite your coworkers and friends—everyone is welcome!

When to Register:

Please **register by Friday, November 7** to help us plan for lunch. We'll continue accepting registrations through **Tuesday, November 12**.

Parking is available on Franklin Ave, in the lot next to the Praetorian Building at 601 Franklin, along 6th Street, and in the paid parking lot across from Union Hall. Sison Tacos is located in the Praetorian Building and the entrance is on the 6th Street side.

Questions?

Email rnorth@txcpact.cpa or text 254-715-8178 for more information.

Register for the Free Young Professionals Lunch

Free Mock CPA Exam - November 13, 2025

This FREE opportunity allows students and candidates to experience what it is like to sit for any CPA Exam section with questions pulled from the actual CPA Exam Blueprints.

Attendees will leave with a personalized ReadySCORE™, an accurate measurement of a potential exam score, along with a detailed report highlighting strengths and areas for improvement.

Registration Deadline: November 10, 2025

TXCPA membership is required to register & students can join for free!

[Click here to register.](#)

November is TXCPA Month of Service and Accounting Opportunities Month!

Members, and organizations are encouraged to give back through community service and outreach to schools and students to share resources about careers in accounting. It's easy to participate!



Our Month of Service Opportunity is Friday, November 21, 2025, from 12-1 pm. We will be helping to collect and package food for KWTX's Food for Families at the KWTX Studios located at 6700 American Plaza, Waco, TX 76712. We had a good group join us last year. Ask around your office for volunteers and you do not have to be a CPA or chapter member to participate - everyone is welcome! Email rnorth@txcpact.cpa to have your name(s) added to our list of volunteers. Parking will be on the side streets around the studio.

The Chapter is open to other ideas for service projects, social events, or CPE throughout the Central Texas area. Submit your idea to rnorth@txcpact.cpa. We want to engage all our members during November as well as during the year!

November is Accounting Opportunities Month. Volunteer to Share Your Career Story

Every CPA has a story to tell, and yours can help make a difference and fuel the CPA pipeline during [Accounting Opportunities Month](#) this month. In partnership with AICPA and more than 30 state CPA societies, and in conjunction with TXCPA's annual Month of Service, this initiative is shining a spotlight on the vast and diverse world of accounting careers. Your journey holds the power to inspire and educate the next generation of CPAs! [Learn more about how you can make an impact!](#)

Help Wanted?

TXCPA Central Texas'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! Use CENTRALTEXASCHAPTER when placing your ad for a discount! <https://careers.tx.cpa/>

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