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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

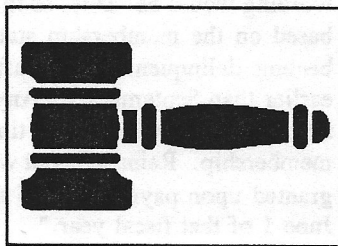
We had twelve members and three guests attend the joint meeting with the Des Moines Chapter. Thank you, Des Moines, for a great meal and a very thought provoking program. Alfredo Parrish, Attorney at Law, presented an interesting program on his views of the law and of the courts. We all left with new insights into the justice system. For myself, I was reminded that there is always more than one side to every story. We each need to take the time to imagine ourselves in another person's shoes once in awhile. It's easy to jump to conclusions when one does not know all the facts.

As professionals we need to make the best decisions, the best choices, that we can. This may mean being more receptive to new ideas. We need to get out of our paradigm and really see things for what they are and not for what we expect them to be or what we think they should be. It's especially important for women professionals to make good choices. We can't let society or others dictate how we perceive our own lives or our own opportunities.

I wanted this month's message to be particularly stimulating and motivational because I believe that ASWA is a good choice. We enjoy getting together, having fun, listening to each other discuss their careers and making a difference in the community. We are a young chapter and our impact isn't very great at this time, but we are challenging ourselves to do better each year. It is difficult for me to express the appreciation I feel for the help and dedication of the members of ASWA. As President, it's great to be able to sit back and enjoy the fruits of their labor.

To those of you who may be considering joining our Chapter, I hope that you will come and see what we are all about.

Kathy Strum
President



REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING

DATE:	Thursday, October 8, 1992	
TIME:	5:00 PM	Board Meeting
	5:30 PM	Networking
	6:00 PM	Business Meeting
	6:15 PM	Dinner
	7:00 PM	Program
PLACE:	Aunt Maude's 547 Main St., Ames (Across from Train Depot)	
MENU/COST:	Small Prime Rib	\$15.50
	Mediterranean Chicken on Bed of Rice	\$15.50
	(Price includes tax and gratuity)	
RESERVATIONS/ GUEST NAMES:	Judy Farthing, Hospitality Ames 233-2784 Work Nevada 382-6596 Work Nevada 382-2583 Home	
DEADLINE:	12:00 Noon, Monday October 5, 1992	
PROGRAM:	Fashion in Business Carol Grant	

NETWORKING LUNCHEONS

October 27, 1992	Sugar Tree Ltd. 312 Main Street, Ames
November 24, 1992	Wallaby's 3720 Lincoln Way, Ames
December 30, 1992	Village Inn 524 Lincoln Way, Ames

The networking luncheons start at noon. Contact Josie Niemand at 294-5214 with suggestions of new places to go or if you would like to try a Monday or Friday.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

Our Board proposes the following changes to our Bylaws. Several of these are to conform to National's Bylaws and will be so indicated. These Bylaws changes will be voted on at the October Membership Meeting.

PROPOSED: (Conform to National)

Article III, Section 1 (MEMBERSHIP). Prospective members shall be endorsed by a member in good standing

CURRENT:

Article III, Section 1 (MEMBERSHIP). Prospective members shall be endorsed by two members in good standing . . .

PROPOSED: (Conform to National)

Article III, Section 1, Paragraph E (3) (MEMBERSHIP). Retired members shall retain the privileges or rights of the Society as regular or associate members, respectively.

CURRENT:

Article III, Section 1, Paragraph E (3) (MEMBERSHIP). Retired members shall have all the privileges and rights of the Chapter except that they shall not hold elective office.

PROPOSED:

Article XI, Section 1 (DUES). (Add the following sentence at the end of the paragraph.) Annual dues for retired members shall be \$5.00 per year, plus the amount of membership dues payable to the national organization.

CURRENT:

Article XI, Section 1 (DUES). (No reference to retired members in this section.)

REPLACE "Chairman" with "Chair(s)" in each of the following bylaws:

Article VII, Section 4 (BOARD OF DIRECTORS). Each member of the Board of Directors shall serve as chair of such standing committees as may be assigned by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

Article VIII, Section 2, Paragraph A (COMMITTEES). The Chairs of these committees shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

Article VIII, Section 2, Paragraph B (COMMITTEES). Members of the committees shall be selected by the respective Chairs with the approval of the President.

Article IX, Section 2 (NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS). The Chair of this committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors.

Article XIV, Section 2 (AMENDMENTS). All amendments adopted by this Chapter shall be submitted to the National Bylaws Chair for approval before becoming effective.

NATIONAL BYLAWS CHANGES

Two amendments to ASWA's National Bylaws will be considered by delegates to the Annual Meeting in Newport Beach, California, October 16, 1992. The National Board of Directors is proposing the two amendments.

Proposed Amendment #1

Amend Article IV - Chapters, Section 1 by striking "Twenty" and inserting in its place "Thirty." Thus the proposed wording would be "Thirty or more prospective members, eligible for regular membership, may petition the Society for a charter."

Proposed Amendment #2

Amend Article XII - Dues, Section 2 by striking "June 30" and inserting in its place "June 1." Thus the proposed wording would be "Dues shall become payable on July 1, based on the membership status as of June 1, and shall become delinquent 60 days after the invoice date but not earlier than September 1. Any member whose dues have not been paid within this time shall be dropped from membership. Reinstatement within the fiscal year may be granted upon payment of \$5 and the full year's dues by June 1 of that fiscal year."

Our delegate to the ASWA Annual Meeting is Beverly Wandling. The Chapter needs to give Beverly instructions on how to vote on these two amendments (either specifically or in general), but she needs to know how we, the members, feel about the issues. Please think about these two issues and bring your thoughts to the October Membership Meeting.

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American Society of Women Accountants
Board of Directors Meeting
September 8, 1992

CALL TO ORDER: The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors, Ames Chapter, was brought to order at approximately 12:00 noon on Tuesday, September 8, 1992, at the Mandarin Restaurant, Ames, Iowa, Vice President Nancy Campbell presiding.

QUORUM: A quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE: The following board members were in attendance: Nancy Campbell, Karen Jacobson, Kate Mulder, Stephanie Fox, Beverly Wandling, and Josie Niemand.

BUSINESS:

Minutes: Karen Jacobson made the motion to approve the August Board Minutes with the following correction: Change the next Board meeting date from October 14, 1992 to October 8, 1992. Kate Mulder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: As of August 31, 1992, there was \$760.67 in the checking account. The report was placed on file for audit. The audit for the last fiscal year was received from Northup, Haines.

Budget: The budget was presented by Kate Mulder, Treasurer. Five regular members and one student member have not renewed their membership, with one regular member still questionable. After considerable discussion, Beverly Wandling moved to approve the budget as presented. Stephanie Fox seconded and the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Program: Beverly reported that the speaker for October had due back out due to a family conflict. A discussion was held as to whether we should change the date to accommodate the speaker at another time, but it was decided to keep the meeting on our regular night and try to get another speaker. Members will meet at 5:00 p.m. in the Ames Savings parking lot on Tuesday, September 15, 1992 to car pool to the Joint Meeting with the Des Moines Chapter being held in Ankeny.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Kate Mulder announced that the new supply order forms from National have some new items on them. Ordering will be done at the end of the month. The next board meeting is October 8, 1992, 5:00 p.m. at Aunt Maude's.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion made by Stephanie Fox, seconded by Josie Niemand, motion carried that the meeting be adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Jacobson, Acting Secretary

CONGRATULATIONS, MEMBERS!!

Cindy Sippel received a promotion from Staff Accountant to Accountant at the Principal Financial Group in Des Moines. She now has more responsibility and supervises several individuals.

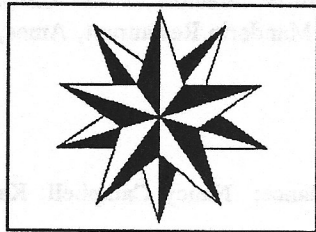
Kim Supercynski and her husband Tom became parents of Amanda Marie on September 23, 1992. Amanda was born at 10:02 a.m., weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces and was 21" long. She is welcomed by older brother Nicholas, age 3.

Sue Logan and her husband Scott became parents of their first child, Nicholas Scott on September 28, 1992. Nicholas was born at 8:13 a.m., weighed 8 pounds 9 ounces and was 22" long.

AMES ASWA NEEDS YOU!!

As ASWA members, we have shared opportunities for both personal and professional growth. Now it's time to share ASWA with others.

The October meeting has been designated as our Membership Drive Meeting. Put on your thinking caps (if they aren't as worn as mine!) and identify colleagues that would enjoy the benefits of membership.



Our goal for the October meeting is to have each member bring at least one guest. Remember, anyone with an accounting degree, CPA certification, currently employed in an accounting related field, or majoring in accounting is eligible for membership.

With a large number of guests, we need a strong member turnout. Make your reservation(s) today!

Stephanie Fox
Membership Chair

P.S. If you'd like to bring a guest, but need some suggestions, please call Karen Jacobson or myself for names and phone numbers.

REPORT ON GARAGE SALE

Thanks to everyone who donated to the garage sale effort. We made almost \$190. Anyone not donating who wishes to contribute to the Scholarship Fund, please feel free to do so. Just write your check out to the Ames Chapter Scholarship Fund and give it to Jan Duffy, our Scholarship Chair. Special thanks to Stephanie Fox and Nancy Campbell who assisted Jan during the garage sale and to Jan herself for being willing to hold it in her garage. Start thinking now about those items we can use at next year's garage sale.

T-SHIRT SALES

We are also selling T-Shirts to raise money for our Scholarship Fund. Beverly Wandling has been coordinating this project and has several designs to choose from. The cost is \$15 each for sizes up to XXL, which is \$18 each. If you are interested, please let her know. She will be selling them at the Joint Annual Meeting too.

SYMPOSIUM PLANNED

The Des Moines Chapter of ASWA, in conjunction with the Iowa Society of CPAs, the Institute of Management Accountants, A.P.I.C.S. and Robert Half and Accountemps will be co-sponsoring the *THIRD ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM* on October 21, 1992, at the Crystal Inn and Conference Center (formerly the Airport Hilton Inn).

The symposium this year will offer participants a choice of 4 hours or 8 hours of CPE. Participants can select from three program tracks in the morning and three tracks in the afternoon.

Registration fees for the program are: \$75 for 8 hours CPE (lunch included) and \$50 for 4 hours CPE (lunch included). A \$15 late fee will be charged on registrations received within 10 working days of the symposium. A separate mailing will be sent to members in the near future.

The Des Moines Chapter has asked that any members or others we know attending to please mark that they heard about the symposium through ASWA. The profits from the symposium are split between the groups based on the number of people checking each organization. The Des Moines Chapter is using their share of the profits in their scholarships. Let's help them out if we can.

(Editor's note: Several of our members attended the symposium held last year. It was very beneficial and worth the cost.)

RESOLUTION TO TERMINATE AWSCPA IS DEFEATED

A special meeting of the members of AWSCPA was held on August 1, 1992 to discuss and vote on a resolution to terminate AWSCPA upon the assumption of comparable activities by the AICPA with the anticipation that the net assets of AWSCPA be utilized to provide services for the members of AWSCPA until the AICPA assumes responsibility for providing such services. The motion was defeated with 479 voting for and 1,190 voting against the resolution. (Per AWSCPA Summer 1992 National Newsletter)

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BUDGET FOR FY 1992-1993

Cash Carryover from FY 1991-1992 \$ 375.17

Revenue:

Dues - National	S (5 X \$12)	
	R (30 X \$54)	\$1,680.00
Dues - Local	S (5 X \$5)	
	R (30 X \$20.50)	640.00
Miscellaneous Income		100.00
Scholarship Fund Raising		<u>200.00</u>
Total Projected Revenue		\$2,620.00

Expenses:

National Dues		\$1,680.00
Program and Speaker		75.00
Bulletin		50.00
Public Relations		500.00
Yearbook		20.00
Postage		75.00
Membership		20.00
Scholarship Award		200.00
New Member Pins		60.00
Office Supplies & Miscellaneous		<u>100.00</u>
Total Projected Expenses		\$2,780.00
Projected Cash Excess		\$ 215.17

Budget Assumptions for FY 1993 Budget

Revenue Assumptions:

1. 30 regular members and 5 student members.
2. Additional miscellaneous income will come from small extra charges for regular meeting meals. Estimated \$1/member X 15 members X 7 meeting meals = \$105, which was rounded to \$100.

Expenditure Assumptions:

1. Program/speaker - 7 speakers will be needed.
2. Bulletin expenditures will be low assuming private companies contribute to the cost. This will also include postage.
3. Education program will be self-supporting.
4. ASWA lapel pins will be given to new members: est. 6 pins X \$10/ea. = \$60.

PUBLIC RELATIONS DINNER

The Public Relations Dinner is going to be on Thursday, November 12, 1992. The speaker is Joan Johanson, the "Erma Bombeck of Iowa." Many of us have heard her speak and she is absolutely delightful. If you need some humor in your life, plan now to attend. Bring MANY guests with you. Our Chair Kim Supercynski will be at the October meeting with invitations for each of us to take and personally invite someone. We will be keeping a list like last year so that guests do not receive more than one invitation. This is a wonderful opportunity to spread the word about ASWA. Bring some names to the October meeting. See you there!!

SPONSORS STILL NEEDED

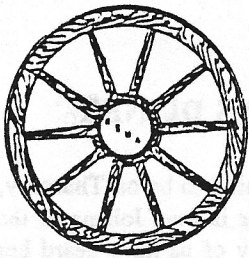
Our Chapter has been fortunate to have company sponsors for our Bulletin in the past. Please discuss the possibility of your company sponsoring the Bulletin for a month. Distribution is about 50 copies at this time. The cost is approximately \$30 with copying and postage. This is good advertising at a low price. Thank you to the several members who have already signed up to be sponsors. However, we still need sponsors for November, January, and March through June. We will have a signup sheet at the October meeting or you can contact Karen Jacobson directly if you would like to be a sponsor. Please note that our budget for the year relies almost entirely on company sponsors. We need your help.

MEMBER PROFILE INFORMATION

Please don't forget to turn in your Member Profile Information sheets which were contained in last month's Bulletin. Josie Niemand is our Member Relations Chair and she will be collecting these at the October meeting. Also, if you have misplaced yours, there will be extras at the meeting. We need to have current records on you and need your help in this. Thank you.

AICPA FORMS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Recently the AICPA's governing Council authorized formation of a new Executive Committee for Women and Family Issues. The Institute agreed that it needed to be more involved in helping women CPA's advance in their careers and also addressing family issues in the workplace. The Institute's strategic plan gives greater emphasis to enhancing the upward mobility of women in the profession. (Per the June 1992 AICPA newsletter)



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
October 8, 1992	Board and Membership Drive Regular Meetings
October 15-17, 1992	Joint Annual Meeting, Newport Beach, California
October 21, 1992	Professional Development Symposium, Des Moines
October 27, 1992	Networking Luncheon
November 12, 1992	Public Relations Dinner

DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER BULLETIN IS OCTOBER 23, 1992