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"PAST PAST" PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As a result of time constraints and health considerations, the President's Message this time will be from a "Past Past" President.

The November meeting is our first Anniversary Membership Meeting. We have sent special invitations to all those members who used to be part of the Ames Chapter. This is a great way to continue our networking opportunities and visit with old friends. We can find out what our colleagues have been doing. Members, please try to make it if you can.

The Joint Annual Meeting of AWSCPA/ASWA is now history. We had six members attend. For a Chapter our size, this is phenomenal!!! Everyone I talked to said they had a great time. Several first-timers to JAM will share their thoughts about it with you in this Bulletin. Plan now for Houston next October. It really is an experience not to be missed.

The joint meeting with the Des Moines Chapter last month was really fun and interesting. In spite of all the hard work and tragedy of Flood '93, there still seemed to be time for humor. The "inside story" was very enlightening and Bob Anderson was great to listen to.

We have lots of activities coming up for ASWA. Plan now to join us for some, if not all, of them. Remember, last month's Bulletin had the list of all speakers, dates and locations in it.

See you on the 11th!

Karen Jacobson
"Past Past" President

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING

DATE:	Thursday, November 11, 1993	
TIME:	5:30 PM	Networking
	6:00 PM	Business Meeting
	6:15 PM	Dinner
	7:00 PM	Program
PLACE:	Aunt Maude's 547 Main Street, Ames	
MENU:	Order off the menu	
RESERVATIONS/ GUEST NAMES:	Sue Logan, Hospitality 294-9537 Work 292-0105 Home	
DEADLINE:	Wednesday, 12:00 Noon November 10, 1993	
PROGRAM:	Nuts and Bolts of Starting Your Own Business Roberta Chambers, Attorney/CPA	

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Roberta Chambers has first-hand practical experience in "starting your own business." She ran a business of her own, then went back to school for her Accounting degree and a Master's in taxation. During the time she attended law school, Roberta also taught Accounting at Drake University and several other colleges. All of Roberta's degrees are from Drake.

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MINNEAPOLIS MET MORE THAN EXPECTATIONS

KATE MULDER: As the time approached to leave for the Joint Annual Meeting (JAM) in Minneapolis, people asked me if I was excited; somehow I was, but more than that I was anxious. The fact that so many people would be attending from all over the US was intimidating. As we arrived in Minneapolis, excitement was building - just being in the city and the luxurious hotel was exciting for me.

Due to Karen's guidance, Kim and I attended the Wednesday evening By-Laws forum. The number of people was not so overwhelming - perhaps this was okay after all! And I did see some of the same faces and individuals we had met in the Prairie States Conferences - yes, this was better than I had anticipated.

The JAM officially began Thursday morning with an opening session attended by all (between 400 and 450) - again the reality of the total number of attendees was overwhelming. But in the following sessions as we divided up into specific topics, the numbers became irrelevant, the topics and individuals I met from all over the US were interesting. We got to know and enjoy the company of a fellow ASWA member from the Flagstaff, AZ chapter. We had the opportunity of exchanging information and ideas currently used in business by individuals from all states of the US.

The education was excellent. Up until entering the session for the FASB Update, I thought "Well, I'll bet this one will be dry" - WRONG! We enjoyed an entertaining and educational session which was in fact my favorite session.

Attending the Annual Meeting was a privilege and learning experience. We saw Roberts Rules used in the strictest sense allowing all participants a fair chance to be heard, but imposing time limits to avoid discussions delaying the meeting. While not all the changes to the By-Laws went the way Kim and I felt our Chapter would support them, we saw a majority (or 2/3) of the body's voice determine the vote. At this session and again in the Chapter Exchange, I felt appreciation for the time and devotion of the National Board and Officers put into the matters at hand. They were available and willing to hear any questions or concerns and were willing to provide information needed.

In summary, the education and exchange with other members was excellent. While the numbers were still overwhelming, it was an opportunity that should not

be passed up if possible. Friendships made at the Prairie States Conferences were renewed and I'm looking forward to going to St. Louis next June and Houston next fall. If you could, attending both is the best alternative - if not, begin at the regional conference to develop friends in our region or at the JAM to develop an understanding of how the National ASWA works and develop friends from all over the US. Either way - it's quality time well spent!

JAN DUFFY: The continuing education programs were wonderful - much more interesting and informative than I'd ever dreamed of. Donald Kieso, whose Intermediate Accounting book I learned from and have taught from for 15 years, was an insightful speaker on accounting education. Anyone in any field would have received valuable CPE. And besides all that, we had a lot of fun and all made some valuable professional contacts. Finally, I learned it can be very difficult to find a min-football in the Mall of America - ask Kate or Judy.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS

11/13/93 Margaret Haubrich
12/11/93 Kate Mulder

Members, if you wish to sign up for future dates, please contact Jane Thomsen. If we don't get enough volunteers, we may need to cancel this project.

NETWORKING LUNCHEONS

November 25, 1993	Mandarin
December 23, 1993	People's - Campustown
January 27, 1994	Applebee's
February 24, 1994	Lucullan's
March 24, 1994	Hickory Park
April 28, 1994	Mandarin
May 26, 1994	People's - Campustown
June 23, 1994	Applebee's

All networking luncheons start at noon. Plan now to attend one or more of these luncheons. It's a great way to get to know your colleagues.

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Ames Chapter No. 158
American Society of Women Accountants
Board of Directors Meeting
October 14, 1993

CALL TO ORDER: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors, Ames Chapter, was brought to order at approximately 12:20 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, 1993, at Country Kitchen, Ames, Iowa, President Kim Supercynski presiding.

QUORUM: A quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE: The following Board members were in attendance: Kate Mulder, Nancy Campbell and Kim Supercynski.

BUSINESS:

Minutes: On motion made by Kate Mulder, seconded by Nancy Campbell, motion carried unanimously that Board minutes for the September 9 meeting be approved as presented in the Bulletin.

Treasurer's Report: At the end of September 1993, there was \$624.88 in the checking account and \$522.00 in the savings account. The report was placed on file for audit. Kate reported that Tom Macklin of Northup, Haines had sent the engagement letter concerning the year-end audit. Statements should follow shortly. The only comment concerning the audit was that a separate accounting should be done for scholarship income.

OLD BUSINESS: A brief discussion was held on the results of the ScoreCard Management outcome and the need for volunteers to initiate the membership drive. It was reported that \$131.97 plus \$30.00 in donations was received at the garage sale and given to the Chapter Scholarship Fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership: Kate reported that 14 members had renewed membership, 8 dropped and 3 were still undecided. She also reported that Annette Kane had applied for membership and would be voted on at the November membership meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 11th, at noon at the Country Kitchen on South Duff in Ames.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion made by Nancy Campbell, seconded by Kate Mulder, motion carried unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Campbell, Acting Secretary

AREA DIRECTOR INFO

Area Director Betsy Scott recently underwent surgery. If you would like to send her a get well card, here is the address:

Betsy A. Scott
Howard Needles Tammen & Bergendoff
1201 Walnut, Suite 700
Kansas City, MO 64106

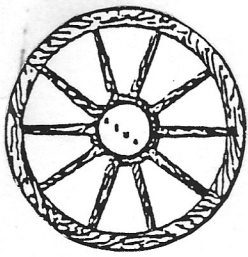
Get well, Betsy!!

There will be NO BULLETIN in DECEMBER. You will be called about the Holiday Get Together.

MEMBER NEWS

KATE MULDER and NANCY CAMPBELL have been appointed to serve on the IRS District Directors' Liaison Committee for the next two years. KATHY STRUM recently completed a two-year term on the committee. This committee meets four times a year to discuss potential and pending problems practitioners have with the IRS.

KAREN JACOBSON has a new temporary work number in Des Moines until December 1. It is 281-2042. She also now has an answering machine at home if you wish to leave a message at 733-2660.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
November 11, 1993	Board and Membership Meetings
November 25, 1993	Networking Luncheon
December 9, 1993	Holiday Get Together
December 23, 1993	Networking Luncheon
January 13, 1994	Membership Meeting

DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY BULLETIN IS DECEMBER 27, 1993