

THE SPOKESWOMAN

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Kim is on a much deserved vacation, so lucky you, I will try to fill in as President and give you a President's Message. Actually, it is an opportunity for me to express some concerns that I have about my upcoming tenure as President, as I have had a couple of years to observe two capable past presidents. However, I am concerned about the direction that the organization is heading.

At our last membership meeting some of the discussion included some comments as to the membership numbers. When we were chartered less than 5 years ago, we had over 30 members. Today we have only half that many. Why have we lost membership? Why have we not been able to recruit new members to replace those who have moved from the area? These are questions that I am challenged, and I am challenging you to reflect upon as we embark on a new year. What direction do we need to take in order to keep the interest of current membership and excite potential new members? Evidently, *we must not be going in the right direction*, or we would not be experiencing the decline in membership.

I have received comments as to the decline, that the Board makes decisions for the whole membership and then the membership must live with those decisions. But at the last two meetings I attended, with only one exception, the only members present were Board members. How then can the decisions of the organization be one that is not a Board decision?

I have also received comments that the programs do not fit the interest of the membership. Then I ask you, what type of program do you want, and will you help recruit speakers? And then, will you attend, so that the speaker feels that his/her time is well spent sharing his/her information with us? We have had wonderful speakers with as few as four members in attendance.

I realize that this message is not real positive in tone, but that is not the intent. Actually, as one of the members stated time and again, "We may be small, but we're mighty!". Because I truly believe in that concept, I think that the challenge is to each one of us, to do our part, to attend the meetings, to make our concerns and wishes known, and to work toward building a stronger, better chapter.

Nancy Campbell
Vice President

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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| DATE: | Thursday, April 14, 1994 | |
| TIME: | 5:00 PM | Board Meeting |
| | 5:30 PM | Networking |
| | 6:00 PM | Business Meeting |
| | 6:15 PM | Dinner |
| | 7:00 PM | Program |
| PLACE: | Stonebrook Clubhouse 3816 Fletcher Blvd. Ames, Ia. 232-7314 | |
| MENU: | Order in pizza | |
| RESERVATIONS/ GUEST NAMES: | Nancy Campbell 239-6456 Work 232-1173 Home | |
| DEADLINE: | Wednesday, 12:00 Noon April 13, 1994 | |
| PROGRAM: | Hiring and Firing | |
| SPEAKER: | Jane Nading, Consultant | |

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Jane Nading is a consultant with many years of experience in the Human Resources area. She has much good information to pass on, so come with questions in hand.

DIRECTIONS

Take Top-O-Hollow Road north of Cub Foods in North Ames. Turn in at the Stonebrooke sign. This is Fletcher Blvd.

Ames Chapter No. 158
American Society of Women Accountants
Regular Membership Meeting
March 10, 1994

CALL TO ORDER: The regular March membership meeting of the Ames Chapter No. 158 of the American Society of Women Accountants was called to order at 5:55 p.m. on March 10, 1994 at the Country Kitchen Restaurant in Ames, President Kim Supercynski presiding.

QUORUM: A quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE: There were 7 members in attendance (Kim Supercynski, Kathy Strum, Karen Jacobson, Judy Farthing, Nancy Campbell, Margaret Haubrich and Jan Duffy).

BUSINESS:

Minutes: On motion made by Karen Jacobson, seconded by Nancy Campbell, motion carried unanimously that the minutes for the March 1, 1994 meeting be approved as printed in the Bulletin.

Treasurer's Report: At the end of March there was \$572.70 in the checking account and \$766.11 in the savings account. The report will be placed on file for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bulletin: Deadline is March 25, 1994. Nancy Campbell volunteered to do the President's Message as Kim will be on vacation for a week.

Hospitality and Member Relations: The April meeting will be at Stonebrook Clubhouse near where Nancy Campbell lives.

Membership: Sue Logan still has the list of potential members and Karen Jacobson is still attempting to contact Joan Rost regarding the Chapter Brochure.

Program: Kathy Strum will provide the speaker on Hiring and Firing for the April meeting.

Public Relations: Our speaker will be Steve Siemens and the dinner will be at the Holiday Inn Gateway. Kim will be working closely with Jane Thomsen on the invitations. It is the intent to have the printed invitations available for the April meeting.

Student Activities: The Student Night was very successful.

Scholarship: Margaret reported that a number of applications had been received. After discussion on motion made by Kathy Strum, seconded by Nancy Campbell, motion was defeated that the application deadline be extended to March 21st. Margaret also reported that one of the applications was from a student who would be graduating but felt the money could be used to get started in her career. On motion made by Karen Jacobson, seconded by Kathy Strum, motion carried with Jan Duffy abstaining, that the scholarship be awarded only to students actively in school.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee report was given by Chair Karen Jacobson. The proposed slate will be Nancy Campbell, President; Kate Mulder, Vice President; Cindy Sippel, Secretary; Jan Duffy, Treasurer; Brenda O'Neill-Smith, Program; Margaret Haubrich, Bulletin; and Karen Jacobson, Membership.

OLD BUSINESS: We have the 10 volunteers for the IPTV Telethon on Saturday, March 12th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next regular membership meeting will be on April 14th.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion made by Kathy Strum, seconded by Jan Duffy, motion carried unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen E. Jacobson, Secretary

1994 - 1995 NOMINATIONS

Proposed slate of officers and directors for the 1994-1995 fiscal year:

Officers:

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| President | Nancy Campbell, CMA |
| Vice President | Catherine Mulder, CPA |
| Secretary | Cindy Sippel |
| Treasurer | Jan Duffy, CPA |

Directors:

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| Membership Chair | Karen Jacobson, CPA |
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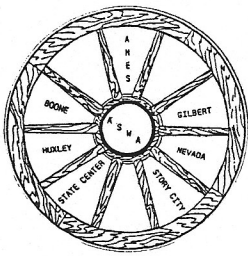
Program Chair Brenda O'Neill-Smith,
CPA

Bulletin Chair Margaret Haubrich, CPA

Immediate Past

President Kim Supercynski, CPA

Elections will be held at THIS MEMBERSHIP MEETING. We NEED EACH OF YOU there so that we have a QUORUM. Show your support for these volunteers and for the Chapter. Please try to attend.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>EVENT</u> |
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| April 14, 1994 | Board and Membership Meetings Election of Officers and Board |
| April 19, 1994 | Des Moines Networking Luncheon |
| April 28, 1994 | Ames Networking Luncheon |
| May 12, 1994 | Professional Women's Dinner |
| June 3-5, 1994 | Prairie States Conference, St. Louis |

DEADLINE FOR THE MAY BULLETIN IS APRIL 22, 1994

NETWORKING LUNCHEONS

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| 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.

NOTE: The next luncheon for Ames Chapter members working in Des Moines will be on Tuesday, April 19th, 11:30 PM, at Sheffield's on Court Avenue.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS

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| 4/9/94 | Karen Jacobson |
| 5/14/94 | Kim Supercynski |
| 6/11/94 | Jane Thomsen |

Members, if you wish to assist someone above, please contact Jane Thomsen.

Also, please think about whether you would like to continue this project. We will discuss it at an upcoming meeting.

Ames Chapter No. 158
American Society of Women Accountants
Board of Directors Meeting
March 10, 1994

CALL TO ORDER: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors, Ames Chapter, was brought to order at approximately 5:10 p.m. on Thursday, March 10, 1994, at the Country Kitchen Restaurant, Ames, Iowa, President Kim Supercynski presiding.

QUORUM: A quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE: The following Board members were in attendance: Kathy Strum, Karen Jacobson, Nancy Campbell, Judy Farthing and Kim Supercynski.

BUSINESS:

Minutes: On motion made by Kathy Strum, seconded by Judy Farthing, motion carried unanimously that the minutes of the February 17, 1994, Board Meeting be approved as printed in the Bulletin.

Treasurer's Report: At the end of February 28, 1994, there was \$572.70 in the checking account and \$766.11 in the savings account. Expenses exceeded donations for the Student Night pizza by \$16.75. Additional donations are expected. The report was placed on file for audit.

OLD BUSINESS: Kim Supercynski announced that we have 10 volunteers for our shift at the IPTV Telethon on Saturday, March 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Volunteers have been asked to wear our T-shirts.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee report was given by Chair Karen Jacobson. The proposed slate will be Nancy Campbell, President; Kate Mulder, Vice President; Cindy Sippel, Secretary; Jan Duffy, Treasurer; Brenda O'Neill-Smith, Program; Margaret Haubrich, Bulletin; and Karen Jacobson, Membership.

Scholarship: It was suggested that next year we put the scholarship application in the Bulletin and send to each member, so that more people can be made aware of it. On motion made by Nancy Campbell, seconded by Karen Jacobson, motion carried that the Board recommend to the membership that the scholarship application deadline be extended to March 31 due to too few applicants and the fact the applications were not given out to members.

Public Relations: President Supercynski reviewed the details for our public relations dinner in May. Our speaker will be Steve Siemens. Our scholarship will also be given out at that time.

NEW BUSINESS: ASWA National Headquarters has a new address in Memphis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14th, at 5:00 p.m. immediately preceding the April membership meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The motion was made and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 5:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen E. Jacobson, Secretary

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