

**The Spokeswoman**  
**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF WOMEN ACCOUNTANTS**

Ames Chapter No. 158

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**February Meeting Notice**  
*Wednesday, February 21, 2001*  
**Chef's Inn**  
**6400 West Lincolnway**  
**Ames, IA**

**Social/Meeting: 5:30    Program: 6:00    Dinner: 7:00**

**Dinner Reservations by Tuesday noon, February 20**

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**Guest Speaker: *Dan Norris***

**Topic: "*Computer Networking with Windows 95 and 98*"**

**How to share file and printer resources with other used will be explained. Other related topics include:**

- 1. The two basic networking schemes**
- 2. The four different naming conventions for identifying specific computers**
- 3. IP addressing (public vs. private addresses, subnetting, basic routing through a network)**

*About our Speaker:*

*Dan Norris is an Associate Professor of Management Information Systems. He has been at Iowa State University for almost 19 years. He teaches computer networking, database management, and Internet security. He is a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (computer networking with Windows NT and 2000), a Microsoft Certified Database Administrator (SQL Server 7.0) and a Microsoft Certified Trainer.*

*His hobbies include learning foreign languages, including Thai and Russian. He taught for three semesters in Thailand and taught twice in Russia. He will be spending next month in Thailand to study the language and will probably travel to Russia next summer to teach Accounting in a volunteer program. To Dan, the process of learning a foreign language is very similar to learning about computers. It's complicated and confusing, requires a lot of work and practice, and there is always room for improvement.*



## President's Message

A special thanks to Don Wandling for his very informative and entertaining presentation last month on the role of an expert witness. The role is so different from accounting, yet probably more similar than we realize. Many times we can find ourselves in the role of convincing peers or bosses what the effect of an action is. And those communication skills, knowing what to say when, are critical. But somehow, Don's experiences sound much more exciting!

Don's presentation brought to mind that a lot of us strive to reach that "expert" level in our profession. We invest our time and skills to build our career. ASWA helps us achieve those personal and professional goals. ASWA has a nationwide network of over 5000 that are comprised of the best and brightest women in the accounting profession. The organization can offer resources to accountants at any stage of their career. I'd like to just highlight some of the resources available to us.

- Leadership development opportunities in your local, regional and national chapter.
- High quality CPE at local, area and national meetings and conferences.
- Relocation and job referral network. (I encourage you to check out their web site at [www.aswa.org](http://www.aswa.org).)
- List of contacts and "consultants" from our membership directory of over 5000 people in accounting and related fields.
- The opportunity to support students in accounting through scholarships, or, if a student, take advantage of those funds.
- Professional newsletter, *The Edge*, which includes a number of articles on current issues in accounting.
- Many group rate services such as credit card/loan programs, discounts on insurance.

The best part is the network we develop locally with other chapter members. The ease of picking up the phone or sending an e-mail to ask how they handled a type of situation, or ask for a reference on a consultant, or in looking for a position or someone to fill one.

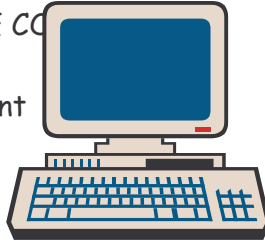
ASWA will provide us with many resources as long as we take advantage of them. I hope you have the opportunity to do just that.

Brenda

Kate sent me the following and I thought it was especially appropriate for this month since our speaker is Dan Norris and he will be discussing computer related information. Enjoy!

THERE WAS LIFE BEFORE THE CO

An application was for employment  
A program was a TV show  
A cursor used profanity  
A keyboard was a piano!



Memory was something that you lost with age  
A CD was a bank account!  
And if you had a broken disk,  
It would hurt when you found out!

Compress was something you did to garbage  
Not something you did to a file  
And if you unzipped anything in public  
You'd be in jail for a while!

Log on was adding wood to a fire  
Hard drive was a long trip on the road  
A mouse pad was where a mouse lived  
And a backup happened to your commode!

Cut- you did with a pocket knife  
Paste- you did with glue  
A web was a spider's home  
And a virus was the flu!

I guess I'll stick to my pad and paper  
And the memory in my head  
I hear nobody's been killed in a computer crash  
But when it happens they wish they were dead!

**American Society of Women Accountants**  
Ames Chapter #158  
Board Meeting  
November 15, 2000

**Call to Order:** The November Board meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by Vice-President Jan Duffy at Chef's Inn in Ames on Wednesday, November 15, 2000, at 7:40 pm. Those in attendance Jan Duffy, Kate Mulder, Margaret Munson, Cindy Sippel, Penny Strum, and Beverly Wandling. A quorum was present.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Cindy Sippel and seconded by Kate Mulder that the October minutes be approved as printed in the bulletin. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Margaret Munson, seconded by Cindy Sippel, that all business be suspended except consideration of an application for membership. Motion carried.

Penny Strum moved that Pat Jenkins's application for membership be accepted subject to approval by National. Kate Mulder seconded. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Cindy Sippel and seconded by Margaret Munson that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Munson  
Secretary

**American Society of Women Accountants**  
Ames Chapter #158  
Membership Meeting  
November 15, 2000

**Call to Order:** The November membership meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by Vice-President Jan Duffy at Chef's Inn in Ames on Wednesday, November 15, 2000, at 7:05 pm. Those in attendance were Nancy Campbell, Mike Doran, Jan Duffy, Elisa Gibson, Karen Jacobson, Jennifer Ketchum, Lisa Kobernusz, Kate Mulder, Margaret Munson, Theresa Samson, Cindy Sippel, Kathy Strum, Penny Strum, and Beverly Wandling. A quorum was present.

**Minutes:** There was no membership meeting in October.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The FY 2000-2001 budget was presented. Karen Jacobson moved and Cindy Sippel seconded that the budget be approved as presented. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Reports from the National meeting in Baltimore: Cindy Sippel included her report in the November bulletin. The Ames chapter received a certificate for 93% retention of membership last year. Beverly Wandling gave a report on the Presidents' Council: discussions included the notification process for the Woman of Achievement award; scheduling of National meetings – is two years enough time to arrange and plan for a large meeting; information from National about membership status and monies received has in the past not been timely; Area Directorships are vacant, if anyone is interested.

**Announcements:**

Several members have employment news:

Nancy Campbell will begin teaching tax for ISU beginning in January, in addition to continuing at Sauer-Danfoss. Her former position teaching tax for Buena Vista University's Marshalltown Campus is currently open.

Theresa Samson recently accepted a new position at Principal. She will be doing exceptions to general ledger.

Pat Jenkins joined Garst in October as a cost accountant.

Elisa Gibson has been promoted to staff accountant.

Cindy Sippel presented Beverly Wandling with her Past-President pin.

The December meeting will be a holiday potluck (dinner and a movie) held at Beverly Wandling's home at 6 pm, December 20. Members should bring a salad, side dish, dessert to share; items for a silent auction and a \$5 donation for the popcorn and movie. Proceeds from the silent auction and donations will go to the chapter scholarship.

Jan Duffy is gathering names for a social outing including spouses to attend the ISU Madrigal Dinner, Sunday, January 21. Anyone interested should contact Jan as soon as possible so that tickets can be purchased.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership:**

Penny Strum reported that she mailed 59 letters to potential members and received five responses that were very positive. A membership certificate was presented to Elisa Gibson. Pat Jenkins's membership application was approved by the Board, subject to approval by National.

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Kate Mulder and seconded by Cindy Sippel that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Munson  
Secretary

**American Society of Women Accountants**

Ames Chapter #158  
Membership Meeting  
January 17, 2001

**Call to Order:** The January membership meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Brenda O'Neill-Smith at Chef's Inn in Ames on Wednesday, January 17, 2001, at 7:15 pm. Those in attendance were Mike Doran, Karen Jacobson, Pat Jenkins, Jennifer Ketchum, Lisa Kobernusz, Kate Mulder, Margaret Munson, Brenda O'Neill-Smith, Sue Ravenscroft, Theresa Samson, Cindy Sippel, Kathy Strum, and Beverly Wandling. A quorum was present.

**Minutes:** November and January minutes will be published in the February bulletin.

**Treasurer's Report:** A treasurer's report was distributed to the members by the President.

**Committee Reports:**

**Bulletin:** Cindy Sippel requested bulletin items from the membership.

**Membership:** No report.

**Program:** Sue Ravenscroft and Kate Mulder reported that programs have been arranged for February and March and tentatively for April.

**Scholarship:** Cindy Sippel reported that chapter scholarship applications will appear in the February bulletin. Application deadline will be March 31, 2001. Qualifications for the scholarship will be the same as previous years.

**South Central Area Conference:** The conference will be held in Kansas City June 1-3, 2001. Karen Jacobson will be attending. Others are encouraged to attend if possible.

**Old Business:** The basket for the national convention was discussed.

**New Business:** The members commend Penny Strum for her membership efforts.

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Cindy Sippel and seconded by Karen Jacobson that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Munson  
Secretary

## Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications will be sent in a separate e-mail to the membership list. The due date for scholarship applications is March 31, 2001 (postmark). For more information, please contact Cindy Sippel, 232-6939.

## Upcoming Programs

| <u>Month</u> | <u>Speaker</u> | <u>Topic</u>  |
|--------------|----------------|---|
| February     | Dan Norris     | Computer Networking with Windows 95 and 98                            |
| March        | Cyndie Jeffrey | Acquisitions and Mergers  |
| April        | Gary Maydew    | Tax Implications of Investments and How to pass on Assets to Children |
| May          | Renee Hardman  | Diversity in the Workplace  |

### Reminder from the Bulletin Chair!

Please let me know of any items of interest about our members, new jobs, etc. I would like to include them in the bulletin. Also, let me know if any updates needed for our membership list. I will publish an updated list in the each bulletin.

THANK YOU,  
Cindy Sippel, Bulletin Chair

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