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November Meeting Notice

Wednesday, November 19, 2003

Hotel at Gateway Center Conference 1 US Hwy 30 and Elwood Drive Ames, IA

Speaker: Cynthia Jeffery Topic: Corporate Governance and Ethics

Networking: 5:30 (Lobby Bar) Speaker: 6:00 Dinner/Meeting: 7:00

Dinner Reservations by Noon, Tuesday, November 18
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President's Message

The holidays are approaching fast but where did Thanksgiving go? Christmas decorations appeared in the stores before Halloween and now it looks like the shopping season is upon us. I will admit that I have not started my Christmas shopping in earnest. In fact, I have only bought one present. However, I don't mind because it is important not to forget Thanksgiving.

I have so many things for which to be thankful – faith and a country where I am able to practice that faith without fear, family, home, health, friends, and it might be last in this list but certainly not least, ASWA. This organization has so much to offer each of us in networking, education and long-lasting friendships. I have gained so much from ASWA over the years. Last month's joint meeting with the Des Moines chapter is a perfect example. Aaron Keller's presentation on Continuous Quality Improvement was great. Thank you, Karen, for recommending him. The time went by so quickly; I wish he could have spoken for a longer period of time. It was an excellent opportunity to connect with members of the Des Moines chapter and we had a good representation from the Ames chapter. Thank you to everyone who helped make this evening a success.

One thing that I am especially thankful for this year is the growth that we have experienced in our chapter over the last year. It is so exciting to have new members. You bring new experiences, personalities and talents to our chapter and we are very happy that you have joined us. I am also thankful for our continuing members. We wouldn't be here without your hard work and devotion to this organization. This November, take time to say "Thank You" to someone in our chapter – someone new to let them know that you are glad they are here, someone whose contributions you have appreciated, or perhaps someone that you are glad to see each month. We have so much for which to be thankful, make sure that people are aware of it. See you November 19.

Cindy

CPE Credit

The Iowa State University accounting department will be hosting a CPE conference on December 15, 2003 at the new Gerdin Business Building. The conference will feature eight faculty members with each presenting a two-hour session. There will be two sessions at each time period, and the conference will provide attendees with 8 CPE credits.

The conference brochure and online registration is available at: http://www.ucs.iastate.edu/1203/acct.htm

Please contact Jan Duffy (jduffy@iastate.edu) for more information.

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