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MISSION STATEMENT

To enable women in all accounting and related fields to achieve their full personal, professional and economic potential and to contribute to the future development of their profession.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we come close to the end of the 2008-2009 year, it seemed like a good time to review the goals we set last July and see where we are.

- ✓ Our first goal was to increase membership by a net 5 members.
- We began the year with 38 members and our current membership is 35, with six non-renewing. Think about your friends and colleagues who might be interested in joining us and bring them to the upcoming meetings.
- ✓ Our second goal was to raise \$3,000 for scholarships for all sources (gift wrapping, pen sales, contributions, etc.)
- We raised \$1,661.95 from wrapping gifts with additional contributions from the planning meeting, the holiday meal, pen sales, and other contributions.
- ✓ We wanted to offer 7 hours of CPE.
- So far, we have had CPE programs at our meetings in September, October, November, January, February, and March.
- ✓ We continue to pursue the goal of hosting a continuing education seminar – potential ideas include how to be treasurer for a non-profit organization, writing the financial part of a business plan, financial literacy.
- We are continuing to plan for the seminar and are looking at hosting an ASWA regional conference in the near future.
- ✓ We also discussed performing some kind of outreach in the community.



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- A committee has surveyed members and is looking at opportunities where our membership can make a difference.

We have always set high goals, and although we may not always accomplish everything we set out to do as quickly as we might like, our chapter continues to make a difference in the lives of our members, our scholarship winners, and other ASWA members in the state, region, and nation.

Kate asked that we set aside a few minutes at the April meeting for a group photo that can be used on our (and National's) web site. Please bring your friendliest smile to the April meeting.

See you April 22.

-- Margaret

MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Wed., April 22nd 2009

Time: 5:30 PM Social Time
6:00 PM Speaker
7:00 PM Dinner/Meeting

Topic: Preventing Workplace Liability

Speaker: Perry Lawrence
New Millennium Technology

Location: Buford's Steakhouse
2601 E. 13th Street, Ames

RSVP: Penny Strum
All attendees please RSVP by Tues noon 4/21
email: programs@amesaswa.org

AGENDA

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April 22, 2009

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership
 - b. Program
 - c. Bulletin
 - d. Scholarship
 - e. Outreach
 - f. Social event
 - g. Nominating Committee
6. Old Business
 - a. Gift wrap
 - b. Regional conference
 - c. Standing rules
7. New Business
 - a. Member of the Year
 - b. Group photo
8. Announcements
 - a. Next Meeting
 - b. Networking luncheon
9. Adjournment

MARCH 2009 MINUTES

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Call to Order: The February 2009 Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Margaret Munson in Ames at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, March 18, 2009. Those in attendance



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were Margaret Munson, Penny Strum, Kathy Strum, Stephanie Roscoe, Marilyn Moehlmann, Theresa Samson, Cindy Sippel, Carla Danielson, Stephanie Fox, Karen Jacobson, Kate Mulder, and Carolyn Bauer. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Kate Mulder moved to approve the minutes as printed in the bulletin. Theresa Samson seconded the motion which passed.

Treasurer's Report: There was no Treasurer's report for February. The proceeds from the gift wrapping booth have been deposited.

Committee Reports:

Membership Committee: The link to the chapter website has been sent to potential members.

Program: The next meeting will be April 22 rather than April 15.

Bulletin: Please send all information for the bulletin to Mary Mosiman.

Scholarship: No report.

Outreach: Nothing new to report. The committee is aiming for a warm weather project.

Social Event: Please email any ideas to Karen Jacobson.

Nominating Committee: The proposed slate of officers was presented to the membership. We will be voting at the April meeting.

Old Business:

Gift Wrapping: The membership will be discussing the future of the gift wrapping booth at the April meeting. Theresa will put together an email that will be sent to the membership to facilitate the discussion. One possibility for raising money for scholarships would be to host a seminar.

Regional Conference: The Milwaukee chapter will be hosting the 2010 regional conference. The Des Moines chapter is not ready to commit to hosting a regional conference in 2011. Stephanie Roscoe said that she would be willing to chair the committee if Ames wanted to sponsor a regional conference in 2011. Stephanie moved and Karen Jacobson seconded a motion that the Ames chapter commit to sponsoring a regional conference in 2011. The motion passed.

Stephanie said that she would contact the Des Moines chapter to inform them of our commitment.

Standing Rules: Kate has pulled a set of standing rules from the ASWA website. She and Cindy will work together to update the standing rules to present them to the chapter.

New Business:

Chapter dues notice: Karen Jacobson moved and Kathy Strum seconded a motion that the chapter dues remain at \$20.50 per year. The motion passed.

National Website: All members are encouraged to update their profile on the national ASWA website.

Announcements:

IMA Meeting: There is an IMA meeting at Sauer-Danfoss on March 21. The ASWA member has been invited.

Next meeting: April 22nd

Networking Luncheon: Tuesday, March 31st at Lucallans (changed to Aunt Maude's after the meeting). RSVP to Soma

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sippel, Secretary

UPCOMING MEETINGS

5/20/09 Buford's Bunkhouse
Speaker: Diane Janvrin, Phd.
XBRL

6/17/09 Legend's Restaurant
Speaker: Cyndie Jeffrey, Phd.
SEC's Roadmap to IFRS

7/15/09 Annual Planning Meeting
Time & Place TBA



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NETWORKING LUNCHEONS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thur Apr 30	El Azteca

Please RSVP to Soma by noon the previous day. 294-9583 or membership@amesaswa.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF WOMEN ACCOUNTANTS ANNOUNCES CONTINUED RELATIONSHIP WITH BECKER PROFESSIONAL REVIEW

(McLean, VA, March 30, 2009) – The American Society of Women Accountants (ASWA) is pleased to announce that Becker Professional Review has renewed its corporate partnership with ASWA for 2009. ASWA and Becker Professional Review renewed this alliance to help women in all accounting and related fields achieve and exceed their personal and professional goals.

"ASWA is pleased that our partnership with Becker Professional Review continues, which provides tools and scholarships to striving women accountants," said Barbara W. Covington, ASWA National President and Manager at Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC. "With access to Becker Professional Review resources, products and services, ASWA members and prospective members are better educated, more connected and poised to take their careers to the next level."

Laura Riley, a Becker Professional Review Regional Manager and ASWA

member, is spearheading the partnership for Becker. Laura is a CPA herself and anticipates the effort will bring a substantial benefit to both organizations. "ASWA is such an important organization and Becker's leadership in the professional review marketplace makes the partnership perfect for encouraging young women to continue their studies leading to their CPA designation. We've had a wonderful partnership with ASWA over the past few years and look forward to sharing our CPE product benefits to members in the upcoming year."

About Becker Professional Review

Becker Professional Review is a global leader in professional education serving the accounting and finance professions. Its Becker CPA Review and Stalla Review for the CFA exams are the largest and longest-running review programs worldwide. Becker Professional Review serves more than 47,000 students annually with courses offered onsite, online and on CD and has helped over 400,000 candidates pass the CPA exam. Throughout its 50-year history, Becker has earned a strong track record of student success through superior teaching, curriculum and learning tools that enable its students to develop the knowledge and performance skills necessary to pass their exams. Becker also provides live and distance continuing education for CPAs via its CPE product offering. For more information about Becker CPA Review, visit <http://www.beckercpa.com>. For more about Stalla's CFA review courses, visit <http://www.stalla.com>. For more about Becker's CPE courses visit <http://www.beckercpe.com>.

About ASWA

Founded in 1938, ASWA provides women in accounting and finance the leadership, education and networking opportunities needed to achieve their career goals. Seventy years later, ASWA is still the only organization that solely represents the interest of women in the entire accounting and finance community. The organization's mission is to enable women in all accounting and related fields to achieve their full personal,



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Report from Nominating Committee

Officer Slate – 2009 – 2010:

President	Stephanie Roscoe
Vice President	Marilyn Moehlmann
Secretary	Cindy Sippel
Treasurer	Renee Twedt
Immediate Past President	Margaret Munson
Program	Jan Duffy

Membership	Lin Shen
	Soma Mitra
Newsletter	Lisa Lembke

Scholarship	Cyndie Jeffrey, Chair
	Renee Twedt, Treasurer
	Cheryl Carlile

Submitted by:
Jan Duffy and Cheryl Carlile

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen, and thinking what nobody else has thought.”

Jonathan Swift

Articles and submissions to the newsletter are welcome. Please contact Mary at bulletin@amesaswa.org