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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

It is June and another chapter year is nearly over. As many of us are renewing our memberships for another year, we are looking back at where we've been and forward toward where we're going. During this chapter year, we have had interesting programs that have helped us grow in our profession. We have had social activities that have helped us get to know each other better. We have fulfilled a major part of our chapter mission by providing scholarships to accounting students. And we have worked together to make our chapter stronger. I would like to thank each member for all the ways you have helped the chapter succeed this year.

I would like to thank our out-going chapter board and committee members for all their dedication and hard work this year to make the chapter successful and welcoming and our meetings worthwhile: Vice President Stephanie Roscoe, for her enthusiasm and her ideas; Secretary Cindy Sippel for her usual noteworthy achievements; Treasurer Renee Twedt for keeping track of chapter funds; Program Committee members Jan Duffy and Penny Strum for finding great speakers; Membership Committee chair Soma Mitra for taking over as chair and doing such a great job and Membership Committee member Kathy Strum for helping with membership; Newsletter chair Mary Mosiman for her skill in getting the content for the newsletter as well as putting it together; Scholarship Committee Lisa Lembke, Janet Mortvedt, and Renee Twedt for their work in selecting this year's scholarship recipients; and Past President Ann Kurtenbach for her support.

We are looking forward to a new beginning and a continuation of the things that bring us together as a chapter – our love of learning, our dedication to the accounting profession in its myriad forms, and our appreciation for the opportunities ASWA provides us to get and give support to others through our chapter activities and scholarships.

- Margaret



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MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Wed., June 17th 2009

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

Topic: Feng Shui

Speaker:
Jeani Lee
Owner: Kitchen, Bath, & Home

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

RSVP: Penny Strum
All attendees please RSVP by Tues noon 6/16
email: programs@amesaswa.org

AGENDA

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June 17, 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
6. Old Business
 - a. Regional conference
 - b. Standing rules

7. New Business
 - a. Planning meeting
 - b. Member of the year
 - c. Installation of officers
8. Announcements
 - a. Next Meeting
 - b. Networking luncheon
9. Adjournment

MAY 2009 MINUTES

None

APRIL 2009 MINUTES

Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
April 22, 2009

Call to Order: The April 2009 Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Margaret Munson in Ames at 7:45 pm on Wednesday, April 22, 2009. Those in attendance were Margaret Munson, Kathy Strum, Jan Duffy, Lisa Lembke, Janet Mortvedt, Theresa Samson, Cindy Sippel, Stephanie Fox, Xaowen Guo, Karen Jacobson, Pat Jenkins, Cyndie Jeffrey, Kate Mulder, Carolyn Bauer and one guest, Sherri Wilson. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: Jan Duffy moved to approve the minutes with the amendments noted. Karen Jacobson seconded the motion which passed.

Treasurer's Report: There was no Treasurer's report.

Committee Reports:



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Membership Committee: The membership committee has proposed incentives for new members. The incentives would be gift certificates for guests who become members. We discussed having two \$25 certificates. There should be money in the budget for membership to cover this. Current membership stands at 35. We had a goal for this year of a net five increase in membership.

Program: Diane Janvrin will be presenting at the May meeting which is on May 20.

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

Scholarship: Lisa Lembke has the form to receive matching funds for the scholarship from her employer, John Deere Credit.

Outreach: Nothing new to report.

Social Event: Nothing to report.

Nominating Committee: Kate Mulder moved that we adopt the slate of candidates that was presented by the nominating committee by unanimous consensus. Karen Jacobson seconded the motion which passed.

Old Business:

Gift Wrapping: The group discussed whether to continue with the gift wrapping booth at the mall. It was noted the ABWA is also looking at whether to continue. Jan Duffy moved to conduct a secret ballot to determine if we would continue to participate in the gift wrapping. Pat Jenkins seconded the motion which passed. The secret ballot was conducted and on a vote of 13 No and 1 Yes we voted to discontinue our participation in the gift wrapping booth.

Regional Conference: Kate Mulder is looking at the schedule for other regional conferences. We will be looking at options for the regional conference we are hosting in 2011. We will need to form a committee to start planning. Members noted that they are open to various locations and ideas.

Standing Rules: We discussed the proposed changes to the standing rules. Additional updates will be made to the rules based on the discussion. If members have any other suggestions, please send those to Kate and Cindy.

New Business:

Member of the Year: The committee will be composed of Stephanie Roscoe, Karen Jacobson and Cindy Sippel. Please send them your nominations for member of the year by May 31.

Group Photo: A photo of the member in attendance was taken at the beginning of the meeting.

Announcements:

Next meeting: May 20th

Networking Luncheon: Thursday, April 30th at El Azteca. RSVP to Soma

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sippel, Secretary

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations!!!

Student member receives award:
Xiaowen Guo, student member, recently received the ISUWC/Mrs. Glenn Murphy International Award. This award is given to a deserving fall 2009 senior or graduate woman student of Iowa State University. The winner must have acceptable grades and possess qualities of leadership, character, and personality which will enable her to foster international understanding and interpret the American way of life to people of her country. The recipient intends to return to her country and work in her discipline.

Previous awards include the 2008 Outstanding International Student Leadership award and recognition for outstanding service as Treasurer and Finance Director of the International Student Council.

Well done Xiaowen!

Invitation from fellow ASWA Chapter!!!

To celebrate our upcoming 2009-2010 year, we have planned an evening meeting at Jasper Winery! We are hopeful everyone can join us on Tuesday, June 16th at 5:30pm. We will have dinner catered by 'Proof' along with a wine tasting event!!

Good News - Jasper Winery has lowered the price to \$30!!!

During dinner, we are excited to have Kelley Ellis join us in honoring our 2008-2009 Board, installing our 2009-2010 Board and awarding our scholarship recipients. Kelley Ellis is a Division Director at Robert Half Management Resources, serves on the Board of ISCPA and is a Becker CPA instructor.

We look forward to seeing everyone and sending out our 2009-2010 year with a bang!! ***So please RSVP by Friday, June 12th ..***

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Newsletter	Lisa Lembke
Scholarship	Cyndie Jeffrey, Chair Renee Twedt, Treasurer Cheryl Carlile

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"If you have nothing to lose by trying and everything to gain if successful, by all means, try."

Robert Palusch

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