



# Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance

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Ames Chapter

December 2014

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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.

### MEETING INFORMATION

#### HOLIDAY GET TOGETHER

Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

Jan Duffy's Home  
3014 Roxboro Dr.  
Ames

Jan Duffy will be hosting the holiday get together on Wednesday December 17 at 6:00 PM. Please bring something to share (say what on the evite response) and a white elephant gift for our gift exchange. The gift can be something you might be tired of from around your house or even something very nice.

Jan's address is 3014 Roxboro Dr in Ames. It is in north Ames in Northridge Heights. From campus, go north on Stange Road past Fareway and turn left on Roxboro. Go past the duplexes and Chilton. The house is the third house on the left after Chilton. You can only park

on the north side of the street which is across the street from our house. If you have any questions, please post them on the Evite!

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

December 2014

I love this time of year and I'm so looking forward to the Holiday Party! I hope you can all join us next Wednesday for a celebration of the holidays, AFWA style! There will be good food, good friends, good times and good memories made. Thanks so much to Jan Duffy for once again hosting our holiday get together. Don't forget your White Elephant! Holiday Blessings to You All!  
Theresa Samson

### CHANGES TO CHAPTER

#### STANDING RULES

We will be voting on a change to the standing rules in the coming months and want to get the proposed change out to members for your consideration.

The current rule:

"The incoming Chapter president shall be responsible for purchasing the outgoing president's gift after notification and



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approval by the Board and shall present the President's gift at the time of installation of officers."

The proposed change is to replace "incoming Chapter president" with "immediate past Chapter president".

## Foundation Optional Donations

*The Foundation of Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance is making giving easier! It is now easier than ever to support scholarships and educational programming provided by the Foundation of AFWA. A \$10 donation will automatically be added to your annual membership renewal. You will have the option to increase the amount of your donation or opt-out entirely. Please contact [foundation@afwa.org](mailto:foundation@afwa.org) with any questions.*

## AGENDA

There will be no meeting in December, only fun.

## No Minutes of October

**Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance  
Ames Chapter #158  
Membership Meeting  
November 18, 2014**

Call to Order:  
The September Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Theresa Samson at 7:27 p.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2014. Those in attendance were members: Jan Duffy, Sara

Kolbe, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Marilyn Moehlmann, Margaret Munson, Brenda O'Neill-Smith, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, Cindy Sippel, and Jaimie Williamson. The following guests were also present: Gina Slack (DSM Chapter), Jian Huang, and Phyllis Friedman.

A quorum was present.

Minutes:

Brenda O'Neill-Smith moved that the minutes of the September meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by Cindy Sippel. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Ann Kurtenbach handed out the September and October treasurer's report.

The balance in the General Account as of 10/31/14 is \$7,885.29. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of 10/31/14 is \$1,602.06. In September, \$385 in donations from AFWA Ames Chapter members was deposited in the Scholarship Account, along with a \$75 deposit from Bob Dilla for our participation in the survey. Interest income was reported for both the General Account and Scholarship Account in September and October; we are receiving bank interest income now that we have two separate bank accounts.

Committee Reports:

- A. Membership: Margaret reported that we currently have 32 members. There are a few members that still need to renew their membership. It was reported that the renewal period has been extended. The Membership Committee will be following up with these individuals.
- B. Program:
  - a. Our February meeting will include a program on cyber-security and will be held at the Iowa Stater at the Gateway Hotel. The committee is working on setting up programs on



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Social Security and public speaking. Discussion was held that we will not hold another program meeting at Dublin Bay due to the noise, insufficient lighting, and lack of technology hookups.

- b. The Holiday Party will be held at Jan Duffy's or Cindy Sippel'
- C. Bulletin: No Report
- D. Scholarship: No Report

### Old Business:

- A. Chapter Director and Officer Insurance: No Update

### New Business:

- A. Speaker Gifts: Our club has no gift items with our updated name (AFWA), and we have not been giving speaker gifts since our name change. Discussion was held regarding some of the new AFWA items that could be used as speaker gifts. It was decided that we will continue to not give gifts to our speakers.
- B. ISU Event Fundraising Opportunity: Ann sent e-mail in October regarding fundraising at ISU athletic events and Hilton concerts. Our organization would have to purchase a liability policy that costs \$275. With no guarantee as to how much our organization would make at one of these events, plus the added cost of liability insurance, it was decided we would not pursue this fundraising opportunity.

### Announcements:

- Margaret Munson requested that standing rules be put on the February agenda. Margaret and Karen had previously reviewed these and the club voted on

changes at our March 2014 meeting, however they noticed some other things that should be changed. These standing rules are on our website for members to review.

- Marilyn Moehlmann participates in AFWA's First Thursday Call on a monthly basis. Specific tax topics are covered and Marilyn would like to get this to members who are interested in this information. Instead of publishing the minutes in the newsletter, Marilyn will forward these directly to interested members.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Jaimie Williamson, Secretary

### NETWORKING LUNCH SCHEDULE

@ 12:00 Noon

Fri, Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup>	El Azteca 2727 Stange Rd.
Mon, Feb 9 <sup>th</sup>	Aunt Maude's 547 Main St.
Thurs, Mar 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wallaby's 2733 Stange Rd
Tues, Apr 28 <sup>th</sup>	Panera Bread 309 S. Duff
Thurs, May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Stomping Grounds 303 Welch Ave
Mon, Jun 8 <sup>th</sup>	Brick City Grill 2704 Stange Rd.

Please RSVP through the Evite or to [membership@amesafwa.org](mailto:membership@amesafwa.org) by noon the day before.



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### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down ‘happy’. They told me I didn’t understand the assignment, and I told them they didn’t understand life.”

~ John Lennon

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