



June 2015

THE SPOKESWOMAN

Ames Chapter #158

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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

**"Critical Concepts in Your Career:
Networking, Mentoring and Don't Burn
Your Bridges"**

Wednesday, June 17th

The IowaStater Restaurant
2100 Green Hills Dr, Ames, IA

Presenter: Cindy Sippel

Learning Objectives & Program Content: This program will discuss the following critical concepts in your career:

1. Networking
2. Mentoring
3. Don't Burn Your Bridges

The program will feature both presentation and group discussion.

Field of Study: Communications

Program Level: Basic

Program Prerequisites/Advance Preparation:

None

Instructional Delivery Method: Group Live

Recommended Amount of CPE Credit: 1 credit hour

Administrative Policies: Please respond to the invite. Meals will be individual bills. If you would like to make or cancel a reservation and did not receive a separate invite, please send an email to Cindy.Sippel@gafg.com. For more information regarding administrative policies such as complaint and refund, please contact Ames Chapter Program Co-Chair, Cindy Sippel at Cindy.Sippel@gafg.com or 515-450-8670.

Official National Registry Statement

AFWA is registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors. State Boards of accountancy have the final authority on the acceptance of individual courses of CPE credit. Complaints regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the National Registry of CPE Sponsors: 150 Fourth Avenue, Suite 700, Nashville, TN, 37219-2417. Web site: www.nasba.org

The schedule for the evening will be:

5:30 p.m. Networking

6:00 p.m. Speaker

7:00 p.m. Meeting

Please RSVP by **12:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15th**, through the separate invite being sent. If you must change your registration after that time, please contact Cindy Sippel at Cindy.Sippel@gafg.com or 515-450-8670 or update your response on the Evite.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we finish up another year, I want to recognize our progress toward the goals we set in July.

- Eight Meetings with CPE Credit
 - Nine of our programs will qualify for CPE credit
- Hold a 4 hour CPE event on the new revenue recognition standards as a scholarship fund raiser
 - A 4 hour CPE event is being planned for next fall
- Net Membership gain of Zero (Long term goal is to maintain our medium sized organization status of 30)
 - We have maintained a minimum membership level of 30 throughout the year
- Average attendance of 50% of members
 - Our attendance level ranged between 31% and 48%
- Confirm we are following proper protocol regarding CPE
 - It was confirmed we are following correct protocol

Congratulations! Without the support, commitment and hard work of all of our members, none of this would have been possible!

I want to thank our 2014-2015 board and committee members for their service this past year.

Vice-President: Lisa Palmersheim
Secretary: Jaimie Williamson
Treasurer: Ann Kurtenbach
Past President: Kayla Sander
Program Committee Members: Cindy Sippel, Karen Jacobson and Jan Duffy
Membership Committee: Margaret Munson and Elizabeth Bruns
Newsletter: Brenda O'Neill-Smith
Scholarship Committee: Carla Danielson, Barbara Bennett and Ann Kurtenbach
Webmaster: Margaret Munson
Your willingness to serve is truly appreciated. And finally, I want to thank you all for the opportunity to serve as president of this awesome organization. It has been a pleasure and an honor.
Theresa Samson

CONGRATULATIONS, KAYLA!

Kayla and Adam Sander welcomed Jude Adam into the world on May 7th. Jude was 7lbs 15oz. Everyone is doing well.

SAVE THE DATE

Our chapter is 25 YEARS OLD in October. We are holding an anniversary celebration on **October 21, 2015** (our regular meeting night). Plan now to attend



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and bring your significant other. We will be celebrating on the Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad Dinner Train. Put it on your calendar and join us. Watch for further details.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum (30 members)
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership
 - b. Program
 - c. Bulletin
 - d. Scholarship
 - e. 25th Anniversary of Chapter
6. Old Business
7. New Business
 - a. Recognition of 2014-2015 Officers
 - b. Installation of 2015-2016 Officers
8. Announcements
9. Adjournment

MINUTES – April 2015

Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance
Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
May 20, 2015

Call to Order:

The May Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Theresa Samson at 7:20 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at Hertz Farm Management in Nevada, Iowa. Those in attendance were members: Jodi Baker, Carla Danielson, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Marilyn Moehlmann, Catherine Mulder, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, Jaimie Williamson, and guest Sarah Olson.

A quorum was present.

Agenda:

Karen moved to amend the agenda to add scholarship presentation, member of the year, and silent auction basket for regional conference in Springfield as items under 'new business'. Catherine seconded, motion carried.

Minutes:

The April minutes were available for all to read. Motion made by Margaret to approve the April minutes, Marilyn seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Ann Kurtenbach handed out the April 2015 treasurer's report. The balance in the General Account as of 4/30/15 is \$8,006.26. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of 4/30/15 is \$2,152.49. Interest income was reported for both the General Account and Scholarship Account in April. Two speaker meals totaling \$18.96 were also paid from the General Account and \$41 in dues were received and deposited. The report was placed on file for review.

Committee Reports:

A. Membership:

- a.) Margaret reported that we currently have 30 members, although 38 members are showing up on our membership list. 7 of these members have dropped and 1 member



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- from Texas is still showing on our roster.
- B. Program:
 - a.) The June program will be held at the Iowa Stater on June 17th. Cindy will be doing a presentation along with a discussion titled "Critical Concepts in Your Career: Networking, Mentoring and Don't Burn Your Bridges".
 - C. Bulletin: Margaret will be traveling and will post the June bulletin in July if she doesn't happen to receive it by June 7th or 8th.
 - D. Scholarship: No report
 - E. 25th Anniversary: The committee's recommendation is to have our celebration be on October 21st on the Boone and Scenic Valley Train. The train ride would begin at 5:30 and end at 7:30. Members can bring their spouses; cost may range between \$30-\$50/person. This celebration event would be the same night as our joint meeting with the Des Moines chapter. There was significant interest from their chapter to participate in this event. Jodi moved to authorize Jan and/or Margaret to sign all contracts for the 25th Anniversary Celebration up to \$5,000. Catherine seconded, motion carried.
The committee is also still working on a workshop. The workshop will be on Saturday, October 10th and will be titled "So you said you would be Treasurer, now what?". Jan and Ann still need a speaker for this workshop.

Old Business:

- A. None

New Business:

- A. Scholarship presentation: Carla Danielson presented a framed certificate to our scholarship recipient Sarah Olson.
- B. Member of the year: Lisa, Margaret, and Jaimie are on the Member of the Year committee. Please have nominations submitted by the end of May.
- C. Silent auction gift: Discussion was held regarding individuals donating items for a silent auction gift vs. giving a cash donation. In the past, silent auction gifts have not been selling for what they are worth. Karen or Catherine will bring the gift with them when they attend the conference. If you would like to donate any items, please contact Karen so she can plan accordingly.

Announcements:

- A. Karen reported that her old position at ISU's Leopold Center currently has a vacancy. An e-mail has been sent to members about this position.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaimie Williamson, Secretary

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