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Ames Chapter

August 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

Wednesday, August 19th
The IowaStater Restaurant
2100 Green Hills Dr, Ames, IA

Presenter: TBD

Field of Study: TBD

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 evite. Meals will be individual bills. If you would like to make or cancel a reservation and did not receive a separate evite, 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.

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The schedule for the evening will be:

5:30 p.m. Networking

6:00 p.m. Speaker

7:00 p.m. Meeting

Please RSVP through the separate evite 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.

The September meeting will be a joint meeting with the Des Moines Chapter. Kristy Maitre will be our speaker giving a tax update. We will be meeting on or normal meeting night, Wednesday, September 16. Location still to be finalized but most likely will be in Ankeny.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone's summer hasn't flown by as fast as mine. By the time many of you read this message I will be soaking up the sun in California. We are taking a week-long vacation to visit my new little niece Everly



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with my husband's entire family. Did I mention he is the oldest of 9 children and we are all staying in one house? It should be an experience to say the least.

We all had a great time at the planning meeting in July with lots of good food. Thank you Cindy for hosting this year's meeting. There were a lot of great ideas for future meetings discussed and we received an update on the 25th Anniversary Celebration. I'm looking forward to our October meeting to help celebrate 25 wonderful years.

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 and bring your significant other and your favorite wine. We will be celebrating on the Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad Dinner Train. E-vite invitations will be going out August 19th and RSVP and payment are due September 18th. Put it on your calendar and join us. It will be memorable.

25th Anniversary Dinner Train Guests

If you have someone special you would like invited to our 25th Anniversary event, please send name and e-mail address to kjacob107@hotmail.com and munson@isunet.net ASAP. Invitations are

going out August 15th with RSVP's due September 16th.

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. Delegates for Annual Meeting (2)
 - b. Standing Rule Change (Theresa proposal)
8. Announcements
9. Adjournment

MINUTES – July 2015

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Ames Chapter #158
Annual Meeting
July 15, 2015

Call to Order: The Annual Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Lisa Palmersheim in Ankeny at 7:15 pm on Wednesday, July 15, 2015. Those in attendance were members Marilyn Moehlmann,



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Libby Bruns, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Karen Jacobson, Cheryl Carlile, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Theresa Samson, and Cindy Sippel. A quorum was present.

Minutes:

Corrections to the June minutes were noted. Margaret Munson moved and Karen Jacobson seconded a motion to move approval of the June minutes to the August meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report and proposed budget was distributed. The general account has a balance of \$7,026.01 and the scholarship account has a balance of \$2,158.62. The report will be placed on file for review. The proposed budget was discussed. No action was taken on the budget at the meeting but will be discussed again in August.

25th Anniversary Celebration: The 25th anniversary celebration will be the night of our October meeting, the 21st. We will be doing dinner on the Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad. An evite will be sent for the event. Reservations are needed by September 16th with payment by check due at the time of the reservation. Space will be limited to 80 people with current and past AFWA members given priority. There will be a short program. Email Margaret Munson with names and

email addresses for additions to the invitation list.

Treasurer's Workshop: The chapter will be hosting a Treasurer's Workshop on Saturday, October 10th. The committee is currently looking for a speaker. The workshop will offer 4 hours of CPE and will be held on the ISU campus.

Membership: Current membership is 30. Our chapter reported a net loss of 3 members last year.

Goals: Maintain membership of at least 30 (medium size chapter)

- Provide 10 hours of CPE through meetings or workshops
- Have a quorum present at every meeting

Proposed change to Standing Rules: Theresa Samson would like to propose a change to the standing rules whereby someone other than the current president performs the installation of officers for the coming year. Theresa will submit wording for the proposed change to the chapter membership.

Program Ideas: The group brainstormed ideas for potential programs for the coming year. The following is list of the some of the ideas:

- Six Sigma, Lean processes
- Tax update – possibly Kristy Maitre from CALT
- Group presentation



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- Laughter with yoga for stress relief
- Iowa Tax update
- Silver Sneakers
- FASB, IFRS update
- Gary Botine – Mary Greeley CFO, healthcare update
- Funeral planning
- Ethics
- Revenue recognition
- Bill Dilla, Diane Janvrin
- National webinars

National update: Chapter Advocate program now on hiatus.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Sippel, Acting Secretary

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