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Ames Chapter

September 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, September 16th
Kirkendall Public Library
Large Meeting Room
1210 NW Prairie Ridge Dr., Ankeny, IA

Presenter: Kristy Maitre, Tax Specialist, Center for Agricultural Law and Taxation

Field of Study: Tax

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

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.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Can you believe it's September already? I was all too reminded that fall is on its way when I noticed combines picking seed corn in the field across from my home this morning. Hopefully everyone was able to enjoy their summer and got in a little R&R before we get into the approaching year end close and tax return season. To help us get geared up for the upcoming tax year, Kristy Maitre will be speaking at our joint meeting



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with the Des Moines Chapter. I'm a little bummed that I won't be able to attend, but I am very excited to be able to attend the 25th Anniversary celebration in October. Hope to see you all there.

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 were sent August 19th and RSVP and payment are due September 18th. Put it on your calendar and join us. It will be memorable. If you did not receive an invitation, please contact Karen Jacobson at kjacob107@hotmail.com or Margaret Munson at munson@isunet.net. Put this event on your calendar and join us. It will be memorable.

25th Anniversary Dinner Train Guest

If you have someone special you would like invited to our 25th Anniversary event, it's not too late. Please send name and e-mail address to kjacob107@hotmail.com and munson@isunet.net ASAP. RSVPs and payment are due September 18th.

MINUTES – June 2015

Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance
Ames Chapter #158
Membership Meeting
June 17, 2015

Call to Order:

The June Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Theresa Samson at 7:27 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2015, at The IowaStater Restaurant in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members: Jodi Baker, Elizabeth Bruns, Cheryl Carlile, Karen Jacobson, Annmarie Kurtenbach, Marilyn Moehlmann, Catherine Mulder, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, Kayla Sander, Cindy Sippel, and Jaimie Williamson.

A quorum was present.

Minutes:

Cindy Sippel moved that the minutes of the May meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by Jodi Baker. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Ann Kurtenbach handed out the May 2015 treasurer's report. The balance in the General Account as of 5/31/15 is \$7,992.69. The balance in the Scholarship Account as of 5/31/15 is \$2,158.54 with an unrestricted balance of \$158.54.

Committee Reports:

A. Membership:



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- a.) Elizabeth reported that we currently have 30 members, not including the 1 member from Texas that is still showing on our roster.
- B. Program:
 - a.) The July planning meeting will be on Wednesday, July 15th and Cindy Sippel has graciously offered to host us, it will be a potluck dinner like last year.
- C. Bulletin: No report
- D. Scholarship: No report
- E. 25th Anniversary: **A contract has been signed for the Boone and Scenic Valley train ride for our 25th anniversary celebration.** Members are encouraged to bring a guest (spouse/friend). Member reservations and payment will be due in September. Part of the cost may be subsidized from **our** chapter funds. If anyone has any chapter history memorabilia or pictures, please get them to Karen. 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. Recognition of the 2014-2015 Officers:
 - President: Theresa Samson
 - Vice President: Lisa Palmersheim
 - Secretary: Jaimie Williamson
 - Treasurer: Ann Kurtenbach
 - Past President: Kayla Sander
 - Program: Cindy Sippel, Karen Jacobson, and Jan Duffy
 - Membership: Margaret Munson and Elizabeth Bruns
 - Newsletter: Brenda O'Neill-Smith
 - Scholarship: Carla Danielson, Barbara Bennett, and Ann Kurtenbach
 - Webmaster: Margaret Munson
- B. Installation of the 2015-2016 Officers:
 - President: Lisa Palmersheim
 - Vice President: Jaimie Williamson
 - Secretary: Sara Kolbe
 - Treasurer: Ann Kurtenbach



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2015. Those in attendance were members Libby Bruns, Cheryl Carlile, Jan Duffy, Karen Jacobson, Ann Kurtenbach, Julie Luther, Margaret Munson, Lisa Palmersheim, Theresa Samson, and Cindy Sippel and guest Phyllis Friedman. A quorum was present.

Minutes: Karen Jacobson moved and Libby Bruns seconded that the July minutes be approved as printed in the bulletin. Motion carried. Corrected June minutes will be distributed and considered for approval at a future membership meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Ann Kurtenbach presented the Treasurer's Report along with a draft budget with income based on an estimate of 26 regular members plus 4 with reduced dues. Margaret Munson moved and Karen Jacobson seconded that the budget be approved with a \$1,500 expense for the 25th Anniversary Celebration. Motion carried. The Treasurer's report will be placed on file for review.

Announcements:

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaimie Williamson, Secretary

MINUTES – August 2015

Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance
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Annual Meeting
August 19, 2015

Call to Order: The August Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Lisa Palmersheim at the Iowa Stater Restaurant in Ames at 7:25 pm on Wednesday, August 19,

Committee Reports

A. Membership: There are 30 members, plus the member from Texas. Six members are currently lapsed. The committee has contacted all lapsed members to



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encourage renewals. Phyllis Friedman indicated she will be joining the chapter shortly.

- B. Program: September's meeting will be the joint meeting with the Des Moines Chapter. Kristy Maitre will be the speaker and the meeting will be in Ankeny on the Ames Chapter's regular meeting night, Wednesday, September 16. October is the 25th Anniversary celebration on the Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad dinner train. State Auditor Mary Mosiman will be the speaker at the November meeting.
- C. Bulletin: Watch email for the bulletin reminder.
- D. Scholarship: Katelyn Pringnitz, one of the candidates our chapter sponsored, has been awarded an undergraduate scholarship from The Foundation.
- E. 25th Anniversary Celebration: The Evite will go out tomorrow, with RSVP's due September 18. Final payment is due to Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad on September 21. Members are encouraged to RSVP as soon as possible and to submit payment.
- F. Seminar: Jan Duffy, Ann Kurtenbach, and Cheryl Carlile have been working on the seminar. It will

be held in the spring, since there have been challenges in getting speakers. Julie Luther will check with ISCPA about firms with expertise in Form 990.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- A. Delegates are needed for the Annual Conference in Pittsburgh in October. Jan Duffy moved and Cindy Sippel seconded that Karen Jacobson carry both votes and go informed.
- B. Standing rules will be reviewed in November.
- Announcements:
- National has discontinued Chapter Advocates. Volunteer experts will be available through National to help chapters with challenges.
 - ISU will be having an accounting conference in December.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Munson, Acting Secretary

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