

Seattle Chapter Meeting Wednesday, March 26

Rainier Golf & Country Club
11133 Des Moines Memorial Drive South
Seattle, WA 98168
(206) 242-4460

Dress code requirement: no jeans

Menu:

Salad: Tossed Green

Entrée: Carved New York Strip

Dessert: Cheesecake

Members/Faculty \$27.00

Guests \$29.00

Students Members \$19.00

Student Guests \$21.00

No coffee only option

Reservations, need to be made by 1 pm, Thursday, March 20

in order to guarantee a spot. Standing reservations will apply. For **reservations:** use the **Online Reservations Form**, send email to reservations@aswaseattle.org, or contact, Arrangements Chair, (206) 467-8645 (ASWA voice mail).

For **cancellations**, please call, use the online form, or send an email to cancel no later than noon on **Monday, March 24**

No-shows and late cancellations will be billed. Walk-ins are welcome but with no meal availability guarantee.

Wednesday, March 26

1 Hour CPE

Speaker: Linda Criddle

Topic: Internet Safety: How Online Risks Occur and How to Minimize Them

The news reports daily about Internet crimes, yet criminal acts are an end result - committed when an environment creates opportunity for abuse. This presentation will outline the landscape of online crime, teach you to recognize predatory motivation and tactics and understand how individuals and businesses place themselves at risk. It will also outline the financial drivers of online services and how this affects the safety of everything from a product's Terms of Service to the safety they build into features. Then it will cover the scope of online abuse, how to spot flaws and gaps in technology and what it takes to negotiate your privacy and safety with others so you can have a great online experience.

Internet safety expert and author Linda Criddle has her own consulting company: LOOKBOTHWAYS Online Safety Consulting LLC. Before establishing her company, Criddle spent 13 years at Microsoft where she was a pioneer in online safety. Criddle brought to that role a deep understanding of predatory behavior, methods, and mindsets, a field of interest she has pursued for more than 25 years. The depth and breadth of Linda's online safety expertise and her ability to create practical technical and policy-based solutions is reflected in the filing of numerous patents on behalf of Microsoft in the areas of emerging technologies and online safety.

Linda has collaborated with several international law enforcement agencies, helping with investigations into the online activities of child predators. She has worked with many government organizations in the U.S. and around the world to prepare online safety regulations and legislation. In addition, Linda has offered online safety training and design expertise to executives and product teams across the technology industry.

Criddle is a tireless advocate for consumers. Her passion and talent for teaching Internet safety principles has benefited youth, parents, and educators. She is author of the award-winning consumer-oriented book, Look Both Ways: Help protect your family on the Internet, and gives consumers the same straightforward, accessible online safety information on her Web site, [Look-both-ways.com](http://look-both-ways.com)



Calendar of Events

March 18, 2008	ASWA North Cascades Meeting: Bob's Burger & Brew
	Topic: Workforce Strategies: Have You Turned Over <u>Every</u> Stone
March 20, 2008	ASWA Spokane Meeting: Red Lion Hotel at the Park
	Topic: Trade Secrets & Covenants Not to Compete
March 20, 2008	ASWA Bellevue Meeting: Red Lion Bellevue Inn
March 26, 2008	Monthly Meeting: Rainier Golf & Country Club
April 17, 2008	ASWA Spokane Meeting: Red Lion Hotel at the Park
April 21, 2008	ASWA Tacoma Meeting: LaQunita Inn
April 22, 2008	ASWA Bellevue Meeting: Coast Hotel Bellevue
April 22, 2008	ASWA North Cascades Meeting: Bob's Burger & Brew
April 23, 2008	Monthly Meeting: Rainier Golf & Country Club
May 12, 2008	ASWA Tacoma Meeting: LaQunita Inn
May 14, 2008	Board Meeting: 5:30 – 7:00 TBD
May 15, 2008	ASWA Spokane Meeting: Red Lion Hotel at the Park
May 20, 2008	ASWA Bellevue Student Night: Coast Hotel Bellevue
May 20, 2008	ASWA North Cascades Meeting: Bob's Burger & Brew
May 28, 2008	Guest Night: Rainier Golf & Country Club
May 30 - 31, 2008	NW Area Conference: Bellevue Courtyard Marriott
June 9, 2008	ASWA Tacoma Meeting: LaQunita Inn
June 17, 2008	ASWA Bellevue Meeting: Coast Hotel Bellevue
June 19, 2008	ASWA Spokane Meeting: Red Lion Hotel at the Park
June 25, 2008	Monthly Meeting: Rainier Golf & Country Club
October 28 - 30	Joint National Conference: The Fairmont, Dallas

2007-2008 Dues Schedule

<u>Member Classification</u>	<u>Total Dues</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>
Regular	\$153.00	National \$104.00 Chapter \$49.00
Affiliate	\$153.00	National \$104.00 Chapter \$49.00
Associate (Non-Student)	\$ 63.00	National \$34.00 Chapter \$29.00
Associate (Student)	\$ 49.00	National \$34.00 Chapter \$15.00
Retired	\$ 45.00	National \$24.00 Chapter \$21.00

Dues are prorated for the second year of membership according to the month the Board approved in the first year.



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ASWA Northeast Regional Conference

June 5-7, 2008 Akron, OH

**Sponsored by the Akron/Canton Chapter
 "Celebrate the Past, Focus on Your Future!"**

We are thrilled to inform you that the Akron/Canton Chapter #139 will be hosting the 2008 Northeast Regional Conference from Thursday, June 5th to Saturday, June 7th in celebration of the chapter's 25th anniversary.

Twelve CPE credits (which will include 3 hours of ethics CPE) will be offered in addition to a Friday Fun Night. The installation of the 2008-2009 National Board of Directors will also take place at this conference. www.aswa.org/files/public/ASWA_NE_Conference_Promo_Flyer.doc for promotional flyer. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Susan Tripepi at stripepi@neo.rr.com or Becky Price at beckyp606@yahoo.com. We hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE

“Get Connected, Stay Connected”

With 16 hours of CPE (including 4 hours of Ethics)

Bellevue Chapter invites you to attend

The 2008 Northwest Regional Conference - May 30-31, 2008

Courtyard Marriott in Downtown Bellevue, Washington

3 tracks to chose from: Accounting/Auditing, Controller/Leader or Tax
Fun night at Parlor Billiards & Spirits - an upscale billiard parlor with a fashion session
Fabulous shopping at Lincoln Square and Bellevue Square, fine dining restaurants ... all within walking distance and featuring great Bellevue hospitality.

CPE Topics (subject to change):

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| Sox Update | Essential Skills |
| 4 hours of Ethics | Career Development in Corporate America |
| Forensic Accounting | Canadian Taxes |
| Profit & Loss Analysis | Where There's a Way, There's a Will |
| Internal Control/Engagement Letters | Department of Revenue - Sales Tax Simplification |
| Identity Theft | Retirement Plans for Small Business |
| ABCs of Credit Scoring | Foreign Tax Treaties |
| Global Business Etiquette | Executor Duties |
| Advanced QuickBooks | Social Security Benefits for Women |
| Employment Law | |

**For more information, contact: Paula Bishop - paulabishop@qwest.net 425-591-1137 or
 Eleanor Siverts-Akerman – eleanorsa@comcast.net 425-255-8842**

Registration form: www.aswabellevue.org/images/Registration_Interest_1.pdf

We Asked "Y": Survey of Gen Y Workers Sheds New Light

by Noreen Florio (noreen.florio@rhi.com)

Ever since members of Generation Y began entering the workforce, employers have been struggling to get a better sense of what motivates and inspires this unique group. To gain insight into the Millennial mindset, Robert Half International and Yahoo! HotJobs went straight to the source, commissioning a national survey of more than 1,000 workers ages 21 to 28. Based on those findings, here are tactics that can help you recruit and retain Gen Y employees:

Offer competitive compensation. Gen Y survey respondents said salary is their single most important job consideration. Moreover, 33 percent of those polled said financial security is their top career concern, followed by job stability (25 percent) and career satisfaction (23 percent). And when asked what factors would most influence them to leave one job for another, "higher pay" topped the list, beating out advancement opportunities, more interesting work, better work environment, shorter commute and more prestigious job title. To ensure that your compensation standards are above or at least on par with competitors in your region and industry, use resources such as the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics and the annual Salary Guides from Robert Half International.

Keep your door open. Gen Y grew up with ongoing supervision and validation from authority figures. Many will likely look for similar guidance and frequent feedback from you. In fact, 35 percent of Millennial workers surveyed said they want to communicate with their bosses several times a day, while 25 percent want to touch base at least once a day. Given their communication needs, consider giving periodic "spot reviews" as tasks and projects are completed instead of waiting until annual-review time to offer assessments.

Pay attention to perks. In addition to healthcare coverage and retirement plans, perquisites such as in-house training opportunities, paid time off to attend professional development events, flexible scheduling, recognition programs and mentoring initiatives all appeal to Gen Y. Because nearly three-quarters of respondents said it's likely they will return to school to obtain another degree, consider starting (or expanding) tuition-reimbursement programs.

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Announcements

Consider serving with ASWA Seattle in the coming year. The nominating committee may have already contacted you. Say “yes” when they contact you.

ASWA Southwest Regional Conference. May 16-17 - Flagstaff, AZ - "Accounting with Altitude" 13 hours of CPE (including 4 hours of ethics). The Flagstaff Chapter invites you to attend the 2008 Southwest Regional Conference. The conference begins on May 16th at 12:30pm with an exciting fun filled day of CPE. The chapter exchange will be Friday evening followed by fun night at the hotel with games, prizes and more. The installation of the ASWA Foundation Board of Directors will take place on Saturday.

See www.aswa.org/files/public/ASWA_SW_Conference_Promo_Flyer.doc for our program brochure. If you have any questions please email Kelly Robertson at kelly.robertson@nau.edu or call 928-523-3711.

It’s not too early to think about going to the **JNC in Dallas**. Start saving your pennies, nickels and dimes! October 28 – 30.

Mentoring Program. ASWA Seattle kicked off our mentoring program at the February meeting. If you are interested in participating in this, please be sure to get your form to Tina Polf. The initial commitment is for six months. This is another great opportunity to get connected with the women of ASWA. The more you are involved the more you appreciate ASWA!

Next Journal Deadline: Wednesday, March 26

The Seattle Chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants, to serve its members’ interests, publishes the *Journal* monthly. If you have news, seminars, community meetings, committee meetings or an article you would like published, attach the file (*preferably in Word™, single spaced with no tables, boxes or irregular formatting*) and send via email to **Marilyn Wilt** at journal@aswaseattle.org.

ASWA Mission Statement

The mission of the American Society of Women Accountants is 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.

ASWA Claim Statement

For women who seek advancement in the accounting profession, ASWA is a professional membership organization that provides the leadership skills required for success. ASWA provides experienced mentors and a supportive, non-threatening environment to practice business management and establish a professional reputation among peers.