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Announcements & Calendar
of Events**

Feb. 25, 2015 Dinner Meeting Information

Location:

Rainier Golf & Country Club
11133 Des Moines Memorial
Drive South
Seattle, WA 98168

Dress Policy: No Jeans Please

Agenda:

6:00-6:30
Social Time & Networking
6:30-7:15
Dinner & Announcements
7:15
Speaker
8:15
Adjourn

Menu:

Buffet: Fiesta Salad with
Cilantro Lime Vinaigrette,
Chipotle Beef, Shredded Pork,
Black Beans, Soft Tortillas
Churros or Flan for dessert

**You're Invited to the
February Dinner Meeting &
Student Night
Wednesday, February 25, 2015**

**Please join us for an evening of
networking, dinner and meeting
aspiring accounting students**

Presenter:

Jill Walser
I got the job!

**Professional Resume Writer &
Interview Coach**

Topic:

**Interview your Interviewer &
Job Search Strategies
from a Pro**

**Jill Walser has been helping people find jobs
for over 11 years.
She brings her sense of humor, business
savvy and common sense together for one**

Reservation Deadline:

Please make your reservation no later than 8 pm, Sunday, Feb. 22, 2015.

NO reservations after the deadline please - we have to give a firm count to catering.

We are charged for all meals reserved, therefore cancellations must be received no later than noon on the Monday before the meeting.

No-shows and late cancellations will be billed.

Dinner Meeting Prices:

Standing Res - \$26

Member - \$27

Guest - \$29

Coffee/Program Only - \$10

Student Members &
Student Guests
Special price for
Student Night - \$15

[Click here to make your secure online reservation](#)

--- If you need to get a message to the Arrangements Committee, two options:

1) use the message field in the online res form

or

2) email:

reservations@seattleafwa.org

--- Save time and \$1 every month - sign up for a **STANDING RESERVATION** and just go!

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goal - to help you land a job.

Jill is a former corporate recruiter employed by a publicly traded company where she hired for all departments including:

Information Technology, Human Resources, Marketing, Graphic Design, Merchandising, Finance, Purchasing, Customer Service, Facilities, Operations, Manufacturing, and Inventory Planning.

Now, she works individually with job seekers in the Seattle, Washington (Puget Sound) region and by phone and email all over the world to help them get and keep the jobs they dream about.

The Topics covered will be:

Interview your Interviewer

Did you know that, "Do you have any questions?" is an interview question? The answer is not, "No"! Do you know what to ask? If you have accepted positions that seemed like great opportunities, only to realize they were not what you expected, this is the workshop for you. Learn how to ask the right questions throughout the hiring process from a former recruiter who has interviewed thousands of candidates. You will gain valuable insight into whether you really want to work for the company with whom you are interviewing.

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Job Search Strategies

Are you spending most of your job search energy on job boards, hoping that employers will notice you out of the hundreds of candidates who are competing against you? Did you know that only 10-20% of positions are filled this way? Recruiters and hiring managers are looking to their networks (those they know and trust) to fill positions. We will talk about networking strategies that even introverted job seekers can use and you will find out from a former corporate recruiter how to conduct a targeted job search.

Annual Student Night

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Journal Editor:

Mary Fisher

Questions, suggestions?

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journal@seattleafwa.org

The February dinner meeting is our annual Student Night. We invite students from the colleges and universities in our region to join us for the evening to meet professionals in the accounting and finance industry and learn about AFWA. If you know of students who might benefit from our Student Night, please invite them. For this event, we have a special dinner price of \$15 for our student guests. Our members are invited to add a little extra to their dinner payment to help subsidize our student guests' dinners.

[Click here](#) to make your reservation and to pay online using our secure Formstack form. Also please check out the additional dinner meeting info below.

CPE Info:

- Program level: Overview
- Program prerequisites: Interest in business related careers
- Instructor delivery method: Group Live
- Recommended amount of CPE credit: 1

Official National Registry Statement: The Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance (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 final authority on the acceptance of individual courses for CPE credit. Complaints regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the National Registry of CPE Sponsors through its website.

President's Message:

As tax packets begin rolling in, I am truly thankful for the network of the Northend Tax Roundtable. As a sole tax practitioner, this group is a wonderful resource where I learn more than at any CPE training. It is just another reason I value my AFWA membership.

Thank you to all who assisted in our January new members' tea. In February, we will be hosting student guests for our annual Student Night. Please help us by attending, networking with accounting students and sponsoring a student dinner.

As you all get busier these next few months marching forward toward accounting deadlines, please remember that you have a group of AFWA members ready and willing to support you through this hectic time. You can always call on another member when you need technical help or just moral support.
Happy Busy Season!

Pat

Nominating Committee

Its that time of year again when our Nominating Committee swings into action. The Nominating Committee will be interviewing members for the next couple of months to put together a slate of officers and committee chairs and members for the 2015-16 fiscal year. Here's how the process works. The Nom Comm has been appointed and is made up of Linda Burrus, Katherine Eastham and Mary Fisher. The committee members will interview chapter members to determine who is interested and ready to serve. The slate will be presented at the March meeting, voted on at the April meeting and installed at the June meeting to take office July 1. Katherine Eastham recently agreed to step into the office of President-Elect so we already have a great start.

The Nominating Committee will be contacting you to find out your interests. Here are some of the reasons to take on a position:

- Contribute to the goals and action plans of the Seattle chapter**
- Learn team building, management, public speaking, organizing skills**
- Get to know your fellow AFWA members**
- Learn about how the chapter is run, gain experience and be ready to take on more responsibility, eventually working up to the chapter President position**
- Help keep the chapter relevant and vibrant**

Please give some thought to your personal goals and interests and be ready to talk to a Nominating Committee member about what you would like to do next year.

Calendar of Events:

2015:

Feb. 25 - February Dinner Meeting - **Student Night**

March 4 - Board Meeting

March 25 - March Dinner Meeting

Topic: Accounting topic

May 15-16 - NW Regional Conference, Bellevue

** Note - Conference has been cancelled **

Oct. 26-28 - AFWA National Conference,
Pittsburgh, PA

Other Dinner Meeting Information:

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To avoid this, you must cancel your reservation no later than noon the Monday before the dinner meeting by emailing reservations@seattleafwa.org.

The complete reservation and cancellation policy is on the online form.



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