

Seattle Chapter Meeting Wednesday, February 25

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: Pasta Bar

Dessert: Chocolate Mousse

Members \$27.00

Faculty and Students \$10.00 (special)

Guests \$29.00

Coffee only \$5.00 (must be requested at the time the reservation is made)

Reservation/Cancellation Policies

Use the on-line form

Call Arrangements Chair 206-467-8645

Send email to reservations@aswaseattle.org

Reservations deadline:

1pm, Thursday, February 19

Cancellations deadline:

Noon, Monday, February 23

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

Wednesday, February 25 Student Night 1 Hour CPE

Speakers: Nick Fisher, Manager, Portland Protiviti office and Karen DeMartini, Consultant, Seattle Protiviti office

Topic: International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

Nick Fisher has helped clients from around the country comply with various regulatory guidances including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and J-SOX. Since joining Protiviti, Nick has assisted clients with various Internal Audit & Asset Lifecycle Management projects and worked in various industries including: Telecommunications, Retail & Consumer Goods, and Manufacturing, Distribution and Technology. Prior to joining Protiviti, Nick worked in the Financial and Insurance Services Industry and spent 5 years in the Retail & Consumer Goods industry.

Karen DeMartini is a recent graduate of Washington State University, and began working with Protiviti as an intern in 2007. Karen has experience working on engagement teams focused on security assessments, travel and expense audits, and loss prevention audits in the Healthcare and Retail & Consumer Products industries. Karen has recently completed her CPA exam.

SPEED-DATING YOUR CAREER 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Explore which area of accounting is a perfect match for you by learning about the various career paths of our members; ask questions of accounting professionals in a speed-dating format.



Calendar of Events

February 9, 2009	ASWA Tacoma: La Quinta Inn Student Activities Night/Business Ethics
February 17, 2009	ASWA Bellevue: Coast Hotel Bellevue Topic: Current Real Estate Market in our Area
February 17, 2009	ASWA North Cascades: Bob's Burger & Brew Speaker: John Jordy Topic: Managing the Stress of Change
February 18, 2009	ASWA Big Sky: Yellowstone Art Museum Speaker: John Keebler Topic: Job Services Resources
February 19, 2009	ASWA Spokane: Red Lion Hotel at the Park Speaker: Stan Key Topic: EDCCEZ Credits
February 24, 2009	ASWA Portland: Thirst Wine Bar Speaker: Bryce Jackson Topic: Fitness & Nutrition
February 25, 2009	ASWA Seattle: Rainier Golf & Country Club Topic: International Financial Reporting Standards
March 9, 2009	ASWA Tacoma: La Quinta Inn Topic: Challenges & Opportunities for Washington CPAs
March 17, 2009	ASWA Bellevue: Coast Hotel Bellevue Joint IMA Meeting Topic: Current Banking Industry
March 17, 2009	ASWA North Cascades: Bob's Burger & Brew Speaker: Deana Lewis Topic: HRAs, HSAs & Health Benefits
March 19, 2009	ASWA Spokane: Red Lion Hotel at the Park Social Security Administration
March 25, 2009	ASWA Seattle: Rainier Golf & Country Club Topic: Social Security: History, State of the Fund & Online Tools
April 16, 2009	ASWA Spokane: Red Lion Hotel at the Park Speaker: Bill Ricker Topic: Spokane City Environmental Programs
April 20, 2009	ASWA Tacoma: La Quinta Inn Speaker: Wayne Borkowski
April 21, 2009	ASWA Bellevue: Coast Hotel Bellevue Topic: Public Speaking & Networking
April 21, 2009	ASWA North Cascades: Bob's Burger & Brew Speaker: Karen Bradley Topic: Why Women are Underrepresented in Math and Science
April 22, 2009	ASWA Seattle: Rainier Golf & Country Club Topic: Fair Value Accounting Issues
April 28, 2009	ASWA Portland: Crowne Plaza, Lake Oswego Spa Night
May 14 – 16, 2009	NW Regional Conference: Lakeway Inn, Bellingham, WA



Announcements

Membership Survey. We will be conducting an online membership survey the first week of March. This survey will help the strategic planning committee finalize our Seattle Chapter goals for next year. Please be sure to check your email. We look forward to your responses. If you have any questions please contact presidentelect@aswaseattle.com.

Next Journal Deadline: Wednesday, February 25. 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.

Employment Opportunities Newsletter will be posted after the dinner meeting to the Members Only section of the web site. You will need your 5-digit ASWA member ID number to log in. Send email to update@aswaseattle.org if you can't find your member number.

ASWA LinkedIn Group Please visit our [LinkedIn page](#) and join our group to network with other ASWA members. This is a great way to get connected – and stay connected – with women in New York or California or Texas. Nearly 300 members with 13,600 connections have already joined. Are you one of them? New features have been added to enhance services for users including “news”, “discussion” and “jobs.” If you are not a member, join today!

Internship Program We are putting together a list of Schools in the area with accounting Internship programs and the appropriate contact information. The intent is to create a resource for our members who might want to hire seasonal help. Ultimately, we would like to post this on our website as a practice aid to the small business owner. We are working closely with DeVry. We have members who represent other institutions, however, and would like to post the contact information for those programs as well.

Mentoring Program It is still the goal of ASWA Seattle to get a mentoring program off the ground. Tina Polf presented this at a dinner meeting last year. You still have a chance to make known your interest in participating. Please contact Marilyn Wilt at wzoem@aol.com.

National Convention October 19 –21 The Palms Resort Las Vegas Planning is already under way. If you are looking to contribute your time and talents, your help is needed. Volunteers are needed for the Program, Hospitality and Workforce Committees. Contact Susan Tripepi at stripepi@neo.rr.com if you are interested in helping or if you want additional details. Your involvement adds to the value of the convention for you. The Committee of dedicated volunteers promises some amazing educational sessions. Why not consider going and be a part of this amazing educational experience. You won't regret it .



SAVE THE DATE

Go for the Gold

**Northwest Regional Conference ... May 14 – 16, 2009
Lakeway Inn and Convention Center, Bellingham**

We are looking for a good turnout from the Seattle chapter. Plan to attend. Don't let money keep you from attending. The Seattle chapter has some scholarship money available. This is a **great** opportunity to **network, have fun and get CPE.**

Have you put this day on your calendar yet? What could be more fun than spending time with some great women?

Registration information should be available within the next couple of weeks.

Volunteers ... volunteers Calling all volunteers. As you may have guessed by now, ASWA Seattle is an all-volunteer organization. You will get out of it what you put into it. There are always things to do even if you don't have much time. You can seek out new faces and make them feel welcome. You can volunteer to help with one of the committees or with a single event, such as the Dessert Auction or Student Night next year. You can say "yes" when the Nominating Committee comes knocking on your door. You can contribute some insight(s) to the Journal. You can add to the goody bags for Student Night. You can suggest a community service project or support the ones that are announced. See there is something that everyone can do.

E-Compass. Are you reading this? If you are like me, time is short but I always find at least one or two things that are of interest to me. This is also a great way to keep in touch with what is happening at headquarters as well as individual chapters.

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.