

**Seattle Chapter Meeting  
Wednesday, December 21, 2011**

Rainier Golf & Country Club  
11133 Des Moines Memorial Drive South  
Seattle, WA 98168  
(206) 242-4460  
Dress Policy: No Jeans Please

**Menu:**

**Entrée:** Chicken Marsala

**Vegetarian Entrée:** Pasta Radiatore with  
Sundried Tomatoes & Capers

**Dessert:** Chocolate Mousse

**Cost:**

<u>Program &amp; Dinner</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Regular/Affiliate	\$27.00	\$29.00
Standing Res	\$26.00	
Student/Associate	\$19.00	\$21.00
<b><u>Program Only</u></b>	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>

**Reservation/Cancellation Policies**

**Three options:**

**Use the on-line form**

**Call Arrangements Chair 206-467-8645**

**Email to [reservations@aswaseattle.org](mailto:reservations@aswaseattle.org)**

**Reservation deadline: 5 pm, Thursday, Dec. 15**

**Cancellation deadline: Noon, Monday, Dec. 19**

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

**December 21, 2011  
Monthly Dinner Meeting  
1 Hour CPE**

Speaker: Mike Wright, Excellent Training, Inc.

Topic: Computer Security

Mike Wright, Excellent Training, Inc. has an extensive background in security and computer networking. He has worked in the field for a number of companies including as a TAC engineer for Cisco Systems where he supported virtual private networks and PIX firewalls. Mr. Wright holds a number of certifications in computer networking and security and teaches a number of security specific classes for universities, defense contractors, and government agencies. Some of the security classes Mr. Wright currently teach are Certified Ethical Hacker, Security+, CCNA Security, and Certified Information Systems Security Professional.

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- Program level: Basic
- Program prerequisites: None
- Instructor delivery method: Traditional
- Recommended amount of CPE credit: 1



## President's Message December 2011

I love Christmas. It is my favorite time of the year. This year I have the opportunity to truly enjoy the season since I am semi-retired. I plan to make my Christmas cards and lots of cookies. What are you going to do to celebrate this season?

A couple years ago I found a company that delivers – and sets up – Christmas trees. The fresh smell of the trees permeates the house for weeks. My sister and I have different taste in lights – I like twinkling lights and she doesn't – so we usually have two trees. This year she is spending the holidays working a seasonal job in the warmer weather of Santa Barbara, California.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Scholarship Dessert Auction. As always, we had a great response along with a fun time. I appreciate the fact that we remember this is about philanthropy and not about a bargain. Several of us went to Bellingham to help the North Cascades Chapter kick off their first annual Scholarship Dessert Auction.

Our November meeting featured the Ryther Toy Drive. This is one of the ways that we can help others in our community. Thank you to those who contributed. If you have other ways that we can reach out to the community, be sure to share them with the Chapter.

Nancy Terry represented the Seattle Chapter at the national conference this year. Next year's conference will be in San Diego – let's plan on a big contingent from the Seattle Chapter. Start planning now to attend the Northwest Regional Conference May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at Cedarbrook Lodge. (As usual, there is scholarship money available – contact [president@aswasseattle.org](mailto:president@aswasseattle.org).) We have a great Fun Night and informative breakout sessions planned. Check out the website soon for more information. A sponsor prospectus is available on the website. Pass this onto anyone you know who might be interested in participating with us.

Things to look forward to in 2012 besides the Northwest Regional Conference:

\*\*\*a new member tea is planned for January 14<sup>th</sup>

\*\*\*Student Night will be in February

\*\*\*Nominating Committee will be approaching members to serve for 2012-2013. Please consider saying “yes” when asked.

I hope that you all have a blessed and joyous holiday season. Talk to you next year!

Marilyn Wilt

President

## Calendar of Events

### 2011:

December 9 Annual Fall Tax Seminar

December 21 December Dinner Meeting – Topic: Computer Security, Mike Wright, Excellent Training

### 2012:

January 14 New Member Tea – an opportunity to meet our new members – stay tuned for details

January 25 January Dinner Meeting – Speaker: Susan Weihrich, Seattle University, Federal Tax Update

February 22 February Dinner Meeting – Student Night

Speaker: Doug Hoselton, Growing Your Business & Career through Networking

March 28 March Dinner Meeting – Joseph Cunha, Tax Manager, City of Seattle Business License Division

April 25 April Dinner Meeting – Sue Danbom, Volt Staffing, Learning LinkedIn – Making it Work for You

May 18 & 19 Northwest Regional Conference, hosted by Seattle Chapter, Cedarbrook Lodge, SeaTac



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**ASWA Seattle Chapter No. 9 Scholarship Endowment Fund  
 Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2011**

The ASWA Seattle Chapter No. 9 Scholarship Endowment Fund was established to encourage, receive and administer gifts in perpetuity for the purpose of granting scholarships for college and post-graduate studies in the field of accounting.

During fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, the fund received \$2,637.50 in permanently restricted contributions. The fair market value of the principal balance was \$170,659.02. The Scholarship Endowment Fund earned \$4,516.59 during the year. This amount has been transferred to the chapter’s scholarship fund.

The trustees have continued to use the same investment management firm for investment advice. Karen O’Brien and Joe Hebert of TrueNorth Financial Services LLC have agreed to provide the trustees with investment management advice on a pro-bono basis. We very much appreciate their professional assistance.

Contributions, made payable to ASWA Seattle Chapter No. 9 Scholarship Endowment Fund, may be sent to the chapter treasurer or to Theodora A. Sherman, Trustee, 20411 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, Shoreline, WA 98177-2127.

Theodora Sherman, Trustee

**December Anniversaries**

**The following members have their ASWA anniversaries this month. We’re so glad you are part of us!**

Mary Dickinson	April Hewitt	Amy Sparks	Rene Putrich
Susan Paulsen	Valerie Moseley	Carrie Noess	Vanessa Martin
Nina Buffington	Carrie Barbee	Ruth Rabdau	Nadine Stewart
Sue Danbom			

**Welcome New Members**

**Please welcome the new members so far this fiscal year, since July 1. We’re glad you’ve joined us!**

Madalina Dobra	Jessica Dreier	Lisa Boyd	Kimi Willison
Mimi Park	Olga Moore	Alexandra Castoe	Chenge Li
Malaika O’Rourke	Oanh Tran	Heather Guzha	Gillian West

**New Member Tea, January 14, 2012**

Get to know our new members at the Third Annual New Member Tea on January 14, 2012. All members are welcome to attend and enjoy offerings from our experienced members of home-made eats and treats, suitable for a proper High Tea for our new members. The Committee is looking for volunteers to help with the tea – stay tuned for a flyer about the event and volunteering.

**Saturday, January 14, 11 am-1 pm, Olympic View Community Church in NE Seattle**



## Announcements

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### **Next Journal Deadline: Friday, January 6, 2012**

The Seattle Chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants, to serve its members' interests, publishes the *Journal* monthly. If you have news, member 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 to **Mary Fisher** at [journal@aswaseattle.org](mailto:journal@aswaseattle.org).

Send us your **Member News** to be included in the *Journal*. New job, promoted, passed the exam, started back in school, major life events, read a great book? Send a brief write-up to [journal@aswaseattle.org](mailto:journal@aswaseattle.org).

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**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](mailto:update@aswaseattle.org) if you can't find your member number.

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**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. We now have over 525 members in ASWA's LinkedIn group and several have started discussion strings. If you've not already done so, please consider becoming a member and participating in the discussions. There are new ones almost every day.

#### **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.