

**Seattle Chapter Meeting
Wednesday, March 23, 2011**

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

Dress Policy: No Jeans Please

- 5:30-6:30 Social Hour & Networking**
6:30-7:30 Dinner & Announcements
7:30-8:30 Speaker

Menu:

Entrée: Grilled Marinated Top Sirloin
Vegetarian Entrée: Wild Mushroom Strudel
Dessert: Mixed Berry Crisp

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Members/Faculty	\$27.00	\$29.00
Standing Res	\$26.00	
Students	\$19.00	\$21.00
Program Only	\$ 5.00	\$ 7.00
Program Only-Stud	\$ 5.00	\$ 7.00

Reservation/Cancellation Policies

Three options:

Use the on-line form

Call Arrangements Chair 206-467-8645

Email to reservations@aswaseattle.org

Reservation deadline: 5 pm, Thursday, March 17

Cancellation deadline: Noon, Monday, March 21

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

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Monthly Dinner Meeting

1 Hour CPE

Speaker: Craig Chase - Moss Adams LLP

Topic: "Rethinking Repairs: A Tax Strategy"

Craig is the leader of the Puget Sound Region Cost Segregation Services Group at Moss Adams, and also sits on the Steering Committee for the firm's Cost Segregation Services Group. In addition to cost segregation, he provides fixed asset consulting services to companies across all industries. He has more than 6 years experience providing cost segregation and fixed asset consulting services to Moss Adams' clients. Prior to Moss Adams, he worked for two local general contractors in the positions of Cost Estimator, Project Engineer, and Project Manager. Craig is also involved in the local community including a position as the Secretary for the Rotary Club of Arlington and a Planning Commissioner for the City of Arlington. He holds a B.S. in Construction Management and a Graduate Certificate in Accounting from the University of Washington. His education and professional experience provide a unique skill set tailored to cost segregation and fixed asset consulting.

Repair and maintenance studies have become more popular in the past few years with the issuance of proposed treasury regulation concerning these types of costs. The proposed regulations are significantly more taxpayer friendly than the old conventional wisdom on what a repair was and, as such, a repair & maintenance study can be beneficial for many taxpayers with significant investments in real and personal property assets. The benefit of a study is in making sure that, for federal tax purposes, taxpayers are taking advantage of deducting eligible current and historical costs effectively allowing for the immediate deduction of those costs rather than



March Anniversaries

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

Karen Smith	Tina Polf	Jana Helmuth	Marilyn Evans
Jo Ann Kelly	Margo Reich	Sharron O'Donnell	Deborah Cunningham
Kristine Roberts	Mary Ayres	Madalina Dobra	Jacqueliene Anderson
Mary Jo Kenner	Tessia Dentes	Julie Vorng	Adrienne Lowber
Oikit Salome Sin	Mary Dunlap		

Welcome New Members

Welcome to our new members so far this fiscal year. We're glad you've joined us!

Connie Bechtol	Regina Kersey	April Hewitt	Carolyn Goga
Michelle Anderson	Cheryl Lieberman	Vanessa Martin	Amal Matan
Phuong Nguyen	Amy Ray	Mengni Weis	Nadine Stewart
Janet Weisman	Laura Bendit	Uliana Chuvashov	Shkurte Ejupi
Jocelynn Fuller	Carey Homan	Nancy Osborn	Nicole Nuccio
Rebecca Mitchell	Sharon Link	Sheila Lozan	Eleanor Madsen

To help make our new members feel welcome, please seek them out and get to know them at a meeting.

Calendar of Events

2011:

March 23	March Dinner Meeting Speaker: Craig Chase, Moss Adams LLP Topic: Rethinking Repairs: A Tax Strategy
April 27	April Dinner Meeting Speaker: Beth Woolley, with Parker LePla, a Seattle-based brand strategy firm Topic: Standing out from the Crowd
April 29	Controllers' Seminar, North Cascades Chapter, Bellingham Golf and Country Club
May 12-13	Northwest Regional Conference, Billings, Montana
May 25	May Dinner Meeting Speaker: Kris Acker, Washington Department of Revenue
June 22	June Dinner Meeting Speaker: William Bley, AAP Topic: Check Processing Rules/ACH
Oct 24-26	Joint ASWA-AWSCPA National Conference, Charlotte, North Carolina



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WHO WE ARE, WHERE WE'VE BEEN AND WHERE WE ARE GOING

*The following excerpt is from "Seattle Chapter – 50 Years in Review" 1941-1990
Recollections of Past Presidents*

DORIS DYSON, CPA

1966-1966

I had the honor of being president on our chapter's silver anniversary. In the first 25 years our chapter had grown from an organizing group of eight to seventy members. To mark the occasion, the chapter had a tea on October 9, at the home of Agnes Kulin, who served as president from 1970 to 1971.

35 guests attended including six charter members, nine of our past presidents and five members from Tacoma. In October 1966 the Seattle chapter inaugurated our student membership program under the able leadership of Margit Jackson. Accounting students were invited as guests. Ida Broo, the founding president of ASWA died on September 12, 1966.

I have served as a proctor at the CPA examinations since 1978. It was a pleasure to enjoy the opportunity to talk with candidates and offer encouragement toward their accounting goals. At first, about one third of the candidates were women, but the percentage has increased to where at least 50%, if not more, are women.

My son, Brett, sat for the November 1984 CPA exam and passed it on his first try, but never practiced as a CPA. He studied accounting and business and received a Master's Degree from the University of Puget Sound.

Editor's Note: Doris passed away recently. Here is an excerpt from her obituary in the Seattle Times:
"Doris Dyson – April 5, 1929 – February 12, 2011

Doris Dyson was the life of every party. To her, life WAS a party from the day it started on April 5th, 1929. Famous for her song and dance, from breakdancing to line dancing, she was forever young at heart Doris graduated from University of Washington Business School at a time when the field was still dominated by men, being one of just three women in her graduating class. She went on to a long and success career as an independent CPA and businesswoman, even doing accounting for the 1962 World's Fair! President of the Seattle chapter of ASWA, Doris was popular and easily made friends with people from all walks of life."

Doris was a beloved member of the Seattle chapter. She was a wonderful role model in showing us all how to live and participate with energy and enthusiasm! Doris' legacy will live on in ASWA Seattle Chapter through her gift to the chapter scholarship fund. We will miss Doris but are blessed to have known her through ASWA.



Announcements

Next Journal Deadline: Friday, April 8, 2011

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.

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.

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. 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.