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Seattle Chapter Meeting Wednesday, October 19, 2011

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

<u>Menu</u>: Entrée: Pasta Bar Vegetarian Entrée: Pasta Bar Dessert: Luscious Dessert Auction Cakes

Cost:

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

Reservation/Cancellation Policies

<u>Three options:</u> Use the on-line form Call Arrangements Chair 206-467-8645 Email to <u>reservations@aswaseattle.org</u>

Reservation deadline: <u>5 pm, Thursday, Oct. 13</u> Cancellation deadline: <u>Noon, Monday, Oct. 17</u>

No-shows and late cancellations will be billed. Walk-ins are welcome but with no meal availability guarantee. October 19, 2011 Monthly Dinner Meeting

Please join us for our 18th Annual Scholarship Dessert Auction

Event Schedule 5:30pm – 7:10pm Silent Auction 6:30pm Greek Mediterranean Buffet Dinner 7:30pm Live Auction Mania!

At the October meeting, we are hosting our 18th annual Scholarship Dessert Auction. This is our one event during the year we ask members and guests to purchase beautiful desserts to benefit our scholarship fund.

This is a fun event devoted to socializing, perusing wonderful desserts and other goodies during the Silent Auction social hour and competition and outbidding to benefit the scholarship fund. No dinner speaker for this meeting.

This year we awarded eight scholarships, totaling \$21,000, for the 2011-2012 school year to students pursuing accounting degrees throughout Washington. This brings the total scholarship awards since inception of the chapter scholarship fund in 1962 to \$246,000. Please join in the fun on October 19th to keep our scholarship fund growing.

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President's Message:

Are you ready for ... ?

Okay, how many football fans are out there? Raise your hands. I see all those hands. Do you remember the expression from Monday Night Football? "Are you ready for football?" the commercial for the NFL asked. This is my version of that.

... the Scholarship Dessert Auction? The one fundraiser of the year is this month's dinner meeting. Do you know how much we have awarded in scholarships over the years? The money from this helps pay those scholarships. Liz Pray will be the auctioneer of the cakes which will be modeled by volunteers. Last year the lemon cake was the hot item. What will it be this year? Amy Harris and her team of volunteers are working on the setup and organization. I hear that there are some great and delicious items for the silent auction tables. Here's what you can do to help: bring some goodies for others to bid on, bid on goodies brought by others, team up with your tablemates to bid on cakes, write a check, help with set-up or take down. Each contribution is important.

... the Toy Drive? Our November meeting will feature our annual toy drive for Ryther Child Center. (<u>http://www.ryther.org/</u>) This is your opportunity to search your house for <u>good usable</u> toys to contribute to a worthy cause. Last year there were lots of stuffed animals. What will you bring this year? I'm sure there will also be an opportunity for wrapping the presents again. Lindsey Nagel will be providing more information on this as soon as she knows.

... for Christmas? I love Christmas! If I had my way, I would leave the Christmas decorations up all year. As many of you know, I don't have a car so it was a relief when I found out that I could have a live tree delivered by UPS. A couple of years ago, I found something even better – not only is the tree delivered but it is also set up. I always struggled with that part. My sister and I share a house but we always have two trees. I like **lots** of blinking lights and she doesn't. Besides, between us we have enough ornaments for three or four trees.

... for the New Member Tea? This is a tradition that Jo Smitchger started when she was President and is an excellent time to introduce some of our newer members. I sat at a table with Carrie Barbee a couple of years ago. Kathy Trumbauer has agreed to work on the tea this year. Although the time is informal, the environment is a little fancier as we use table cloths and tea sets. Members provide cookies, finger sandwiches and breads. The date will be a Saturday in January – more information to come.

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Calendar of Events

2011:	
October 12	October Board Meeting
October 19	October Meeting – DESSERT AUCTION! Note: 3 rd Wednesday!
Oct 24-26	2011 Annual Conference for Women in Accounting, Charlotte, North Carolina
November 16	November Dinner Meeting – Note: 3 rd Wednesday! – Ryther Child Center Toy Drive
	Topic: Market Volatility and the Long-Term Investor, Danielle Fleming Boone
December ?	December Dinner Meeting – Meeting date to be determined – stay tuned
	Topic: Computer Security, Mike Wright, Excellent Training
2012:	
January ?	New Member Tea – date to be determined
May 18 & 19	Northwest Regional Conference, hosted by Seattle Chapter, Cedarbrook Lodge, SeaTac



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... for Student Night? February is the traditional month for this. How many of you were at the Rainier Golf & Country Club for the snow last February? We decided to cut the meeting short. Hopefully, the weather won't interfere this year. Student attendees will have their names put in the drawing for some cool prizes. And because hope springs eternal – this is the month that pitchers and catchers report for Spring Training.

... for the Regional Conference in May? The committee has been hard at work for almost a year now. We have a great location, picked the Fun Night entertainment and started work on the program tracks. There will be three tracks with 16 CPE. The next major job will be to get sponsors, vendors and contributions to goodie bags. Be sure to put May 18 & 19, 2012 on your calendars and *Weather the Storm* with us.

... for your chance to serve with ASWA Seattle? Dottie Adkins agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee with Carol Bacon (and a member to be appointed by the Board). They will start meeting and talking with members real soon about serving in the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Please consider saying "yes" when they ask.

... for a Storm game? The Bellevue chapter has expressed interest in attending a Storm game with us next year. Several of us went to a game this year and had a blast.

... for tax season? I guess that is not really a serious question. How can anyone ever be ready for tax season? In the midst of all the work, I hope that there is still time for rest and relaxation.

Marilyn Wilt,

President ASWA Seattle

P.S. Remember that the November meeting will be the **third** Wednesday – November 16^{th} . Also, we have to change the date of the **December** meeting as the Rainier Golf & Country Club has a previous commitment that conflicts with our scheduled dinner meeting date on the 14^{th} . We will let you know the date as soon as possible.

October Anniversaries

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

Carolyn Goga Sheila Lozan Linda Teachout Deborah Asavarahapun Richard Anderson Cheryl Lieberman Susan Goegebuer Shalonda Knox-Shelton Jennifer Dorey

And a big congratulations to **Mary Ann Schmitt** who has been a member of ASWA since October 1, 1961. Thank you for your service and participation for 50 years! Mary Ann, you are an inspiration to us all.



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What's the ASWA-Seattle Scholarship Dessert Auction all about?

It's our singular event to raise funds for our scholarship program, which supports students following us into the accounting profession. Come prepared to peruse the silent auction tables filled with goodies made by our very own members as well as local bakeries. Cupcakes to dessert wine to ginger shortbread... it's all there! Stake your claim by placing your name on the bid sheet- highest bid at closing wins! Share with friends, be the office heroine by bringing in treats the next day, or stock up your freezer.

Winners of the silent auction items will be announced after the close of each table. These details, plus some time allotted, allow you to plan your strategy for the masterpieces offered during the LIVE auction. Collusions are encouraged as you join with members of your own (or another) table to bid on these scrumptious delights. Like coconut? Partial to chocolate? Adore lemon? Find others with similar dessert taste and pool your resources to win the treat. There will be something for everyone! For those tempted by multiple choices, you may have a chance to purchase "slices" from the winning table (if they have not already devoured their dessert!).

How can you help?

Attend the auction • Bring along a friend (a great introduction to ASWA!) • Contribute or sponsor item(s) to be auctioned • Make a donation and/or bid on auction items – silent or live • Assist during the event

> To donate a live or silent dessert item, contact <u>desserts@aswaseattle.org</u> Reservations **required** (can be made online after 9/29/2011)

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Please join us to support our efforts for the 2012-2013 scholarships!



Announcements

Next Journal Deadline: Friday, October 28, 2011 The Seattle Chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants, to serve its members' interests, publishes the <u>Journal</u> monthly. If you have news, member news, seminars, community meetings, committee meetings or an article you would like published, <u>attach the file</u> (preferably in WordTM, 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 <u>Journal</u>. New job, promoted, passed the exam, started back in school, major life events, read a great book? Send a brief write-up to <u>journal@aswaseattle.org</u>.

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 <u>update@aswaseattle.org</u> if you can't find your member number.

ASWA LinkedIn Group. Please visit our <u>LinkedIn page</u> 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.