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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, here we are at the “official” end of summer. Where did it go? But I don’t think Mother Nature is watching the calendar. It appears we are still going to have some wonderful, warm, outdoor weather ahead of us. I, for one, am not complaining. How about you?

I just wanted to take a moment to congratulate our registration recipients who will be joining us at our ASWA/AWSCPA Joint National Conference. Through the efforts of Pat Jones, our Membership Chair last year in earning our chapter three free registrations, Wendy Coggins, Lucie George and Leslie Yoon will be joining the rest of us who will be attending our annual conference in Las Vegas. This will be a wonderful opportunity for CPE, networking, exposure to leadership activities, getting to know our national leaders, and some good fun (we always manage to find the appropriate moment to “play hooky” and discover something special about our hosting city.) We are also entitled to three delegates for the Annual Business meeting and Leslie and Lucie will be joining me in that capacity this year.

We have a wonderful opportunity to share our organization this month with our Annual Membership night. This will be an evening to do some wine tasting, share some marvelous catered appetizers, maybe learn a little bit about the wine industry and share the benefits of our chapter with friends and associates. So hand out those flyer/invitations, and mark September 11 on your calendar for a fun evening. I’m very excited about the opportunity to meet and welcome everyone.

Looking ahead to November and our Student night Scholarship awards, do you know Accounting students who would make good candidates for our scholarships? Are you a candidate for a scholarship. Over the years we have had so many outstanding recipients and we are looking for more of the same this year. Our Scholarship Committee chair, Sarah Barbieux, and her committee are waiting for your applications so they can get to work interviewing and selecting our recipients for this year’s awards. So get your application in and spread the word to fellow students.

There is a lot going on in our chapter this year. We have our Membership Night this month, and Student Night, our annual Disneyland trip, our Dessert Auction, which is our major fund-raising event for our Scholarship Fund, and that is just through the end of this year. All of that makes for a surge of excitement. We really want you to be a part of that excitement. I hope you will join us at Cellar 205 on the 11th and spend a couple of moments talking with someone you don’t know today. Think you might be able to find someone with whom you have something in common? I’m betting the answer to that question is yes.

See you then,

*Barbara*

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## SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER BULLETIN BOARD

### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Our 2005-6 membership campaign concluded June 30 with 21 new members, 20 of which count toward the national membership contest resulting in our receiving 3 paid registrations (face value \$495 each) to the national conference in Las Vegas this month. Those were awarded to **Lucie George**, continuing member who had never been to a national meeting; to **Wendy Coggins**, one of our new members; and **Leslie Yoon**, long time member who has made numerous contributions over many years to the chapter.

Our new members for 2005-2006 are:

Mouline Chiourn	Niki Picci
Wendy Collins	Donna Dawson
Jean Gatewood	Rafelle Glatter
Aldean Mathison	Liz Hasch
Anne Wilson	Kathryn Denson
Karen Schoenebeck	Lynn Lindley
Gloria Molnar	Kathleen Tripp
Ursula Ruland	Heather McQuitty
Liz Heitmann	Marianne Caprino
Stephanie Keairns	Luisa Hidalgo

### Other News

Our first new member for 2006-7 is Jennifer Reed, who works at QAD. We hope to attract many new members at our September wine-tasting event to introduce our chapter to new people. If anyone would like flyers to send or give to prospects please let me know. Kathryn Denson, another new member helping me with membership, created 100 flyers for us.

~Pat Jones, Membership Chair

### Paying it forward

A big Thank You goes out to Travis Wilson of McGowan Guntermann, himself a 2001 ASWA scholarship winner, who recently made a generous donation of \$100 to the ASWA Scholarship Fund.

### Birthdays

Did you know it's an ASWA tradition to bring a gift in the month of your birthday? Donated gifts are raffled to raise money for our 501(c)(3) Scholarship Fund.

Happy Birthday to:

**Kathy Tripp**  
**Lucie George**



Email me your birthday month at  
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### Important Safety Notice!

**Dell** has identified a potential issue associated with certain batteries sold with Dell Latitude™, Inspiron™, XPS™ and Dell Precision Mobile Workstation™ notebook computers. For details go to [www.dellbatteryprogram.com](http://www.dellbatteryprogram.com)

**Apple** has determined that certain lithium-ion batteries pose a safety risk that may result in overheating under rare circumstances. The affected batteries were for use with the following notebook computers: 12-inch iBook G4, 12-inch PowerBook G4 and 15-inch PowerBook G4. See for details: [https://support.apple.com/iBook\\_powerbook/batteryexchange/](https://support.apple.com/iBook_powerbook/batteryexchange/)

The deadline for submissions to the October 2006 newsletter is Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
Please submit to Diane Ravenscroft at [d\\_ravenscroft@yahoo.com](mailto:d_ravenscroft@yahoo.com).

**The Santa Barbara Chapter of the American Society of  
Women Accountants Invites You To...**

**“MEMBERSHIP NIGHT”**



*Join us for wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres & information!*

Location: Cellar 205 (at 205 Anacapa St - 2 blocks from beach)

Date/Time: Monday, September 11, 2006, 5:30 PM

RSVP: Leslie Yoon ([LYOON@SILCOM.COM](mailto:LYOON@SILCOM.COM))

Or call Pat Jones at 805-963-1902

*This will be a unique opportunity to mingle and network within the group. We'll have other fun activities along with wine-tasting. Non-alcoholic beverages will be available.*



**Members \$30, Guests/Non-members \$25, Students  
\$15**

**RSVP to Leslie Yoon at [lyoon@silcom.com](mailto:lyoon@silcom.com) by  
Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

## Accounting Trivia



### *Did you know?...*

- Some of the earliest known writing discovered by archaeologists has, when translated, been found to be records of tax accounting. Such writings have been found on clay tablets from Egypt and Mesopotamia from as early as 2000 to 3300 B.C.
  - Accountants and auditors held about 1.2 million jobs in 2004. Approximately 1 out of 10 accountants or auditors was self-employed.
  - In 1494, Father Luca Pacioli, a Franciscan monk and world-class mathematician, wrote a book titled Summa Mathematica. In an appendix to the book is the first recorded description of double-entry bookkeeping as we think of it today. The book was illustrated by his close friend, Leonardo DaVinci.
  - The AICPA offers members with valid CPA certificates the option to receive any or all of the Accredited in Business Valuation (ABV), Certified Information Technology Professional (CITP), or Personal Financial Specialist (PFS) designations. CPA's with these designations may claim a certain level of expertise in the nontraditional areas in which accountants are practicing ever more frequently
  - The first public accountant in the American colonies is thought to be a Mr. Browne Tymm, who opened an office in Boston in 1718.
  - Employment of accountants and auditors is expected to grow faster than average for all occupations through the year 2014. An increase in the number of businesses, changing financial laws and regulations, and increased scrutiny of company finances will drive growth. In addition, the need to replace accountants and auditors who retire or transfer to other occupations will produce numerous job openings in this large occupation.
  - Leonardo Da Vinci's father and grandfather were accountants and notaries. However, Leonardo was an illegitimate child. Because of this he could not be admitted to the guild of his father. But for this twist of fate he could have been the greatest accountant the world has ever known. Instead he was apprenticed to an artist's workshop.
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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

**Monday, September 11, 5:30 p.m.**

Topic: Membership Night – Wine Social  
Location: Cellar 205 – East Yanonali Street

**Wednesday, September 27, 5:30 p.m. (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday due to National Conference)**

Monthly Board Meeting  
Cox Communications – 22 S. Fairview Avenue, Goleta

**Monday, October 9, 5:30 p.m.**

Topic: TBD  
Speaker: TBD  
Location: TBD

**Wednesday, October 18, 5:30 p.m.**

Monthly Board Meeting  
Cox Communications

**Monday to Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>**

2006 ASWA/AWSCPA Joint National Conference  
Bally's Hotel, Las Vegas, NV

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*TO ENABLE WOMEN IN ALL FIELDS OF ACCOUNTING TO ACHIEVE THEIR PERSONAL, PROFESSIONAL AND ECONOMIC POTENTIAL AND  
CONTRIBUTE TO THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROFESSION.*

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