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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we approach the middle of summer, so many things are happening. Our new year is underway. Our new Board is in place and they have wonderful ideas for the coming year. I am very excited that we have three new members on our Board this year: **Kathy Tripp** as our Recording Secretary, **Kathryn Denson** as a First Year Director, and our newest member, **Jennifer Reid** as our other First Year Director. Please offer your congratulations to these first time Board members at your next opportunity. One of the things I have said many times over the years has been related to getting involved to enhance your ASWA experience.

We have some wonderful events planned and meeting topics scheduled for the coming year. I plan to include our tentative program plan in next month's newsletter so you can anticipate and plan your schedules accordingly. At that time, if you have any suggestions for topics and/or speakers for any of the open months, please send that information either to our Program Committee Chair, **Sherri Mauler** (sherri@cdllp.com) or to me and we will see what we can do about including those ideas in the schedule.

There is a vacancy we really need to fill as soon as we can. **Olive Wall** will be leaving soon and she has been our mainstay Web Committee Chair. Is there someone out there who would like to help out our chapter by volunteering to assume the duties of our website? It's one of those tasks that happen once a month and usually are not terribly time consuming and can be done from the comfort of your home. Any volunteers?

Thanks to the hard work of Membership Committee Chair, **Pat Jones**, our chapter earned three registrations for the Joint National Conference this September. At our July Board Meeting we discussed options for awarding these three free registrations. National's requirement is that one of these registrations be awarded to someone who has never attended. As we had previously announced, one of those registrations, will be awarded to a new member who is interested in attending the conference. All of you new members who would like some CPE, networking and fun in Las Vegas in September, please get your names to me as soon as possible so we can draw the name of the lucky winner at the August 14 dinner meeting. We have also decided to award one free registration to a long time member who has been very active in volunteering their time to benefit the chapter but has not previously attended National. That award will be chosen by the Board. The third registration will be awarded through a drawing to any member who is interested in going and submits their name to me in time for the August Board meeting. It will be very exciting to have three new participants joining those of us already scheduled to attend the conference in September.

So, Ladies, if you are interested, submit your names to me as soon as possible.

Barbara

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SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER BULLETIN BOARD

Don't miss this opportunity for low cost CPE! Registration fees for the Joint National Conference in Las Vegas will be \$50 more after August 18, so don't forget to send in your registration or try the new online registration option. The brochure and online registration are available at www.aswa.org.

HOT TIP! If you are planning to attend the conference, you may want to check room prices on www.ballys.com, which we've noticed has offered rates lower than the conference-negotiated rate of \$149. The conference rate is good up through August 18.

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:

Fiona King
Anyone else?



Email me your birthday month at d_ravenscroft@dbntm.com

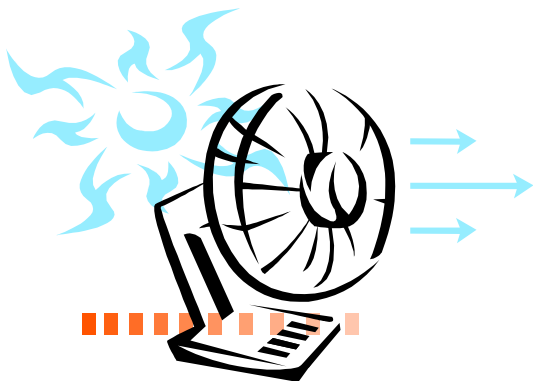
SAVE THE DATE

FOR OUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 11, 2006

BRING YOUR FRIENDS FOR A WONDERFUL
EVENING OF
NETWORKING, WINE TASTING
AND ANNA'S EVER TEMPTING APPETIZERS
WITH A LITTLE WINE MAKING HISTORY
THROWN IN FOR GOOD MEASURE

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU
AT

CELLAR 205
205 ANACAPA STREET
September 11 at 5:30 P.M.



Member Announcements

Please let us know if you have a job change, promotion, know of an open position, or any other news you would like to share with the chapter.

Thanks!

The deadline for submissions to the September 2006 newsletter is Friday, August 18th.

Please submit to Diane Ravenscroft at d_ravenscroft@yahoo.com.

ASWA SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

Cordially invites you to attend our

August Meeting

Monday, August 14, 5:30 p.m.

Harbor Restaurant

210 Stearn's Wharf

“Financing Options for Small Business”

Guest speaker: Davin Mantell

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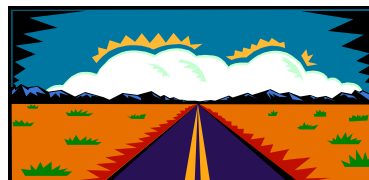
Choice of:

**Cedar Plank Salmon with Piped Potatoes
Chicken Oscar with King Crab and Asparagus
Vegetarian Pasta**

Members \$30, Guests/Non-members \$32, Students \$15
RSVP to Leslie Yoon at lyoon@silcom.com by Friday, August 11th

Adieu Adios Aloha Au revoir Farewell Auf wiedersehen Arrivederci Slan go foill

The chapter is losing some very special members this summer as they venture out to blaze new trails in their lives:



Olive Wall has been a member since 1995, when she joined MacFarlane Faletti soon after arriving in Santa Barbara. She is returning to her homeland of Ireland in late July. Olive has been instrumental in the development and maintenance of our chapter website over the years as well as serving on numerous committees including Dessert Auction, Newsletter, Scholarship and, most recently, has been a significant help to Sherri Mauler on Program Committee. Olive has been a regular on our Disneyland trips and has always been available to help out with any little (usually not-so-little) extras. We will miss her and are very sad to see her go! You can stay in touch with Olive via her email address: owallcpa@yahoo.com

Kelly Griggs is a newer member, joining us in 2004. She initially commuted from Camarillo to attend meetings and we loved having her! She attended her first Joint National Conference in Chicago within months of joining. Kelly did such a great job on the newsletter write up of the conference, we asked her to chair the Newsletter Committee, which she continued even after moving to San Bernardino. “San Berdoo,” as she calls it, was only a stopping point on the way to her real destination: Colorado. Not only was it recently recognized as the “#1 healthiest state” but is also known for its wonderful quality of life. Kelly exudes all of that positive energy and will have no problem fitting in there. We wish her the best of luck and happiness and remind her to get in touch with her local ASWA chapter when she settles in! You can still contact her at kagas@charter.net.

Diane Ravenscroft (that’s me). Can I say how sad I am to leave this group. I’m relocating to “the OC” to be near my boyfriend and his son. Many of you have met Dan at Disneyland, at the conference gala in San Diego and at occasional dinner meetings as he has always supported my activities with ASWA (or maybe he comes for the fun stuff and to get free tax advice.) I joined ASWA in 1999 and have just completed my run as President. I’m going to keep in touch by taking over the Newsletter spot from Kelly. Though I will continue to be an active member of the chapter this year, I will have the choice of two chapters down south (Long Beach and Orange County) to check out. I am a Cottage baby and a D.P. Charger, so I’m Santa Barbara through and through, but I’m really excited about starting this new page. You can continue to reach me at d_ravenscroft@yahoo.com.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

Monday, August 14, 5:30 p.m.

Topic: Financing Options for Small Businesses
Speakers: Davin Mantell, Montecito Bank & Trust
Location: The Harbor Restaurant

Wednesday, August 16, 5:30 p.m.

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

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. (due to National Conference)

Monthly Board Meeting
Cox Communications

Monday to Wednesday, September 18th to 20th

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
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