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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our January dinner meeting was quite pleasant at Andria's Harborside restaurant. Thanks to **Seth Streeter** and **Brad Stark**, I learned a great deal about Retirement Planning and the new rules for Qualified Plans and Non-Qualified plans. Hopefully, we will learn in the next few weeks how the California legislature will deal with some of these issues. We also heard about fiduciary requirements as they relate to retirement plans, and what has happened to those who breached their fiduciary responsibilities. I know I will be watching for changes as the Enron debacle unfolds.

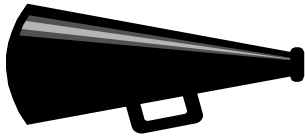
Paige McClelland kicked off our new year fundraiser by distributing about half of the See's Candy at our January dinner meeting. She also distributed some at the board meeting. For those of you who are new to the organization, we sell See's Candy each year during tax season. We ordered 48 boxes and each box contains 24 bars. We sell these for only \$1.00, and they usually disappear rapidly. If you did not attend the dinner meeting and you would like to help us with our fundraiser, please contact **Paige** at 805/320-6553 or ladyconstl@aol.com.

Tricia Krout and **Sherri Mauler** are working on the new slate of officers and committee chairs for the 2002-2003 fiscal year. If you are interested in a particular position, or, if you know of someone who is interested, please contact Tricia or Sherri as soon as possible. The available positions are listed on page four in the this newsletter!

Pam

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SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Candy, little girl . . .

Paige McClelland has some See's candy: Milk chocolate with almonds and a couple of dark chocolate with almonds left (twelve boxes in total) for sale for our scholarship fund. Come on ... grab a box ... they are an easy sell ... only **A BUCK!!** Please contact her at 320-6553 or at her email address: Ladyconstl@aol.com.

Welcome her back . . .

Lynn Felske, a former Santa Barbara ASWA chapter member and current San Francisco ASWA chapter member, is looking for the right job opportunity in the Goleta/Santa Barbara area. Lynn is looking for an accounting management position in private industry. Lynn's background includes public accounting, an Accounting Manager at a San Francisco Fortune 50 company, and diverse accounting experience with Fortune 500 companies in the healthcare, retail, and restaurant industries. Please contact Lynn at lynnfelske@hotmail.com with Goleta/Santa Barbara accounting management opportunities.

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***Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday dear...***

Leslyn Nitta !!



(Is your birthday not here?
Then . . . get with the program
and email Diana Dahlen .
Otherwise don't forget to
bring a raffle gift to the
upcoming dinner meeting !!)

"The pessimist

complains about the wind;

the optimist

expects it to change;

the realist

adjusts the sails."

- William Arthur Ward

ASWA's SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

cordially invites you to attend our upcoming dinner meeting
featuring our guest speakers

Frank B. Gilb Jr.
Manager of Force Protection for
Raytheon Systems in El Segundo
who will discuss

Identity Theft

Join us on Monday, February 11th at 5:30 pm at
Victoria's Cafe

located at 2220 Bath Street (between Pueblo and Los Olivos St.) 687-5911

Members \$22 • Guests \$25 • Students \$12

Please choose one of the following dinners:

Grilled Salmon

Sesame seed crusted salmon with coconut sauce, served with rice and fresh vegetables

Chicken Picatta

Served on a bed of linguini and fresh vegetables

Greek Pasta

Artichoke hearts, kalamata olives, tomatoes, feta cheese over linguini, tossed w/garlic and olive oil

New York Steak

Ten ounce New York topped with onion rings and served with a baked potato and fresh vegetables

All dinners served with soup or salad and bread.

For reservations please contact Lisa @ Kate Silsbury's office: 687-0355 OR

Diane Ravenscroft via email at dravenscroft@dbntm.com

PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8th

Standing reservations: Leslie Yoon, Barbara Shaw, Pam Lombardo, Sherri Mauler

About our speakers . . .

Frank B. Gilb Jr. is the Manager of Force Protection for Raytheon Systems in El Segundo. He is retired from the LAPD where he worked as a uniformed patrol officer then worked in various Divisions of the Police Department including the Bureau of Special Investigations, the Administrative Vice Division, the Narcotics Division, Major Violators Section and the Organized Crime Intelligence Division. Mr. Gilb also represented manufacturers of Covert Electronic Surveillance equipment which is sold to the Federal, State, and local Law Enforcement Organizations. Currently Mr. Gilb is responsible for the perimeter and internal protection of the Raytheon El Segundo Properties. Mr. Gilb has a teaching credential from UCLA and has been a guest lecturer at USC, CSULA, SCUF, and Cal Poly Pomona.

Issues & Interests . . .

Part of the Team

by Gail Anikouchine, Area Director

Wintertime, curled up by the fire, logs crackling; nestled in your lap – the book you have always wanted to read. Outside, the lulling of the drops of water, pattering on the pavement. The phone rings. Startled, the world shifts – back to the twenty-first century. You lift the receiver, still shaking the jet lag, to say “hello”... “Hi, I am calling from the nominating committee of ASWA.” Now you are in real time . . . **What will you say?**

Consider what goals you have set for yourself – in one year, three years, five years and ten. What skills along the path to reach those goals will you need to acquire, to expand, to hone? What opportunities will ASWA provide you to reach those goals? Do you need to learn to talk to strangers not in your professional field? Volunteer to introduce the speakers at member meetings. Do you need to learn to coordinate people for a specific project? Volunteer to be program chair. Do you need to learn to develop long range goals and the action plans to achieve them? Volunteer to be President-Elect, who becomes the president in the second year.

As you replace the receiver, accepting the position in ASWA, you return to the book, inwardly joyful that the nominating committee has called you, empowered you, and content that you will likewise empower others in the accounting fields.

Achieving tomorrow’s goals begins today . . .

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

Monday, February 11th at 5:30 pm . . .

Monthly Dinner Meeting

Guest Speaker: Frank B. Gilb, Jr., Raytheon Security

Topic: Identity Theft

Location: Victoria's Café

Wednesday, February 20th at 5:30 p.m . . .

Monthly Board Meeting

at Walpole & Co. located in The Galleria at 3891 State Street, Santa Barbara - 569-9864

Monday, March 11th at 5:30 pm . . .

Monthly Dinner Meeting

Guest Speaker: Suzanne McNeeley

Topic: Finances of Caring for the Elderly

Location: Brigitte's

THE MISSION OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF WOMEN ACCOUNTANTS IS . . .

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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