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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our February dinner meeting was quite informative on the topic of identity theft; we had a great turnout and a good meal at Victoria's Café. When I got home that evening, I guess I was very animated when I relayed the evening's discussion to my husband. I went on and on about not putting our bills in the mailbox and putting up the "red flag" - we should have known it was an invitation to thieves who specialize in identity theft. I also talked non-stop about all the credit card offers and checks we receive (unsolicited) in the mail. It simply won't do to rip them in half and throw them in the trash. These thieves are expert at casing neighborhoods and checking trash cans.

Well, my husband listened! I got a shredder for Valentine's Day, and he now takes our outgoing mail to a mailbox near his office. Since he reads these letters, I better mention that I also received a dozen beautiful red roses - after all, it was our 8th anniversary too!

Time is flying by and I can't believe it's tax season - just when the weather warmed to 80 degrees! For those of you who find yourselves buried in tax paperwork, I would like to remind you of some simple stress management tools that Julie Daffern talked about at our April 2001 meeting:

- try to remember to stretch hourly
move eye distractions away from your computer (post-it notes, stuffed animals, etc.)
give yourself a 10-15 minute break - every day (try to walk outside and see nature)
laugh and celebrate your little successes and joys (on some days this may simply be that the computer turned on and your files are still there!)
and, remember to breathe and put things in a proper perspective.

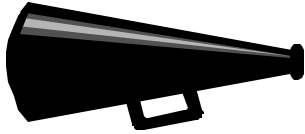
Our next dinner meeting will be held at Brigittes on March 11th, and we will be voting on next year's slate (see page 2). You will see that the Board positions have been filled, but there are a few committee positions still available. Please contact Tricia Krout or Sherri Mauler if you want to chair or participate on any of these committees. If you are not able to attend the meeting, please forward your ballot to Diane Donohue at ddonohue@hendry.com.

I hope to see you all at Brigitte's.

Pam

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SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ASWA
NOMINATING
COMMITTEE
for
2002-2003**

ASWA Nominating Committee

POSITION	2002-2003 INCOMING
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Asst. Treasurer	Open position
Ways & Means	Open position
- wrapping paper	Open position
- See's candy	Open position
Website	Mary Dawson

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

Andrea Gallup,
Barbara Shaw and
Jeanette Cambron



(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 !!)

ASWA's SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

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

**Suzanne McNeeley,
Senior Planning Services**

who will discuss

Finances of Caring for the Elderly

Join us on Monday, March 11th at 5:30 pm at

Brigitte's

located at 1325 Street Street (next to the Arlington Theater) 966-9676

Members \$28 • Guests \$30 • Students \$12

Please choose one of the following dinners:
(includes salad & beverage)

Arborio Risotto with Wild Mushrooms, Fresh Asparagus and Artichoke OR

Homemade Basil Fettuccine with Sauteed Prawns OR

Oven Roasted Prosciutto and Smoked Mozzarella Stuffed Chicken Breast

For reservations please contact Lisa @ Kate Silsbury's office: 687-0355 OR
Diane Ravenscroft via email at dravenscroft@dbntm.com

PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY, MARCH 8th

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

Our Deepest Sympathy . . .

. . . goes out to the family and friends of our dear member, **Jane O'Brien**. She won the hearts of many. Her kindness, hard work and dedication will be forever remembered.

Issues & Interests . . .

See's Candy Fundraiser

A big **THANKS** to all our members who are selling See's Candy and raising money for our Scholarship Fund. Don't forget to provide Paige McClelland with the proceeds (checks would be appreciated). There are also a few more boxes of Chocolate with almonds left to sell !!

National Conference in October 2002

Octoberfest in the Mardi Gras Land of Cotton

Look away, look away to the InterContinental in New Orleans October 17-19, 2002, at 62nd National Conference. Continue your lifelong learning, not only of the issues of accounting that are near and dear to us but of the richness of history that will surround us:

Where pirates hid, where Jackson fought
Where goods were sold and others bought;
Where gold glitters, and the bayou glimmers
Where friends meet as the Mississipp' shimmers.

Job Opportunities

My associate is moving to San Diego. I am looking for someone with a BS in Accounting. No experience is required. One or two years of experience would be beneficial. I expect the salary range would be \$35,000 to \$45,000. Please contact Michael Wimberly, Controller, Illgen Simulation Technologies, Inc., 130 Robin Hill Road, Suite 200, Goleta, CA 93117; Tel (805) 692-2333, x207; Fax (805) 692-2334; Email: mwimberly@illgen.com

Institute of Management Accountants March 13th Meeting

Speaker: Mark Schniepp, California Economic Forecast
Location: The Elephant Bar and Restaurant
Time: 6:00 p.m. Attitude Adjustment/ Dinner Orders
6:30 p.m. Program
Cost: Members/Guests \$25.00
Students \$12.50

RSVP to Rebecca at 745-2171 or e-mail rszerwo@venocoinc.com. No shows will be charged.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

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

Monthly Dinner Meeting

Guest Speaker: Suzanne McNeeley

Topic: Finances of Caring for the Elderly

Location: Brigitte's

Wednesday, March 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, April 22nd at 5:30 pm . . .

Golf Social

Location: TBA

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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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