



## AMERICAN WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Inland Counties Affiliate Newsletter – February 2005

### Board of Directors

President

Tammy Beverage

[tbeverage@idyllwildarts.org](mailto:tbeverage@idyllwildarts.org)

Vice President

### Hospitality / Programs

Andrea Scott

(909) 648-3179

[Andrea\\_awscpa@yahoo.com](mailto:Andrea_awscpa@yahoo.com)

### Secretary

Barbara Bowlby

(909) 945-2292

[Barbara.bowlby@roberthalf.com](mailto:Barbara.bowlby@roberthalf.com)

### Treasurer

Rita Hanson

(909) 983-3364

[rita@h-mcpas.com](mailto:rita@h-mcpas.com)

### Membership

Ronda Shutt

(909) 683-0672 Ext. 2368

[rkshutt@yahoo.com](mailto:rkshutt@yahoo.com)

### Newsletter/Publicity/Website

Emily Valencia

(909) 624-1857

[emilyvalencia@verizon.net](mailto:emilyvalencia@verizon.net)

### Scholarships

Tina Virgen

(909) 793-2431 Ext. 1320

[tinavirgen@aol.com](mailto:tinavirgen@aol.com)

### Past President

Cheryl Meils

(760) 325-9663

[cheryl@lynnebushore.com](mailto:cheryl@lynnebushore.com)

## February 2005- President's Message

Hi Everyone,

“Busy Season” for many of you is in the near horizon. I wish everyone who will be working extended hours for the next few months will make sure to take care of themselves as well the clients including getting enough sleep and exercise. I know the eating part will be taken care of since one of the pitfalls of this time of year is to seek comfort through Crispy Crèmes et al.

The January 22nd panel discussion went very well as I was told. We had a great group of speakers who donated their time and effort to present their areas of expertise. This month, I will be presenting a two-hour CPE module on financial statement presentation for non-profits. I will focus on optional balance sheet and incomes statement formats based on the type of non-profit one is dealing with. The next meeting is February 10<sup>th</sup> at the east end of town. The restaurant will be The Lotus Garden. I hope to see a good turnout.

**Tammy Beverage**

**AMERICAN WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS  
Inland Counties Affiliate Newsletter – November 2004**

---

**Minutes  
November 11, 2004**

President Tammy Beverage called meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Tammy also introduced our speaker, Robert Cullen, president of Cullen Financial Services.

New Business:

Rita Hansen has volunteered to be our new Treasurer, since Del Anderson, the current Treasurer is moving to Wisconsin. We will miss her in our chapter. She has been a great asset.

Andrea Scott, currently in charge of Hospitality/Programs has accepted a position with a pharmaceutical firm with a territory on the West side of Los Angeles. She will be going to New Jersey for training and moving her residence to the West side. We will miss her in our chapter. She has done an outstanding job.

Treasurers Report:

Present balance Unrestricted \$5,098.25, Restricted \$1,958.74. We ended the fiscal year 2003/04 with a surplus of \$861. This was attributed to our increase in meeting charge and an increase in attendance. Treasurers Report was approved as was listed in minutes from the October meeting.

Old Business:

All day CPE seminar planned for 1/22/05 with the location planned for Rita Hanson's professional building in a new restaurant on the bottom floor called The Jazz Club.

Self-introductions of members were made, and then dinner was served.

Robert Cullen, Registered Investment Advisor gave an excellent presentation on the needs of elderly clients and their families.

December Holiday meeting was at the San Bernardino Hilton. There was a good turnout and we all had a fun time. No minutes were taken for December due the Holiday Party.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Bowlby

♥ Happy Valentine's Day ♥

## AMERICAN WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Inland Counties Affiliate Newsletter – February 2005

### Announcements:

### **Congratulations! Congratulations! Congratulations!**

To all who completed the 8-Hour CPE! What a great time it was, and very informative.

Here are a few comments from our participants on the event:

Thank you for coordinating the CPE. I really enjoyed the speakers and the topics were all relevant and timely. I hope this can be an annual event. I know putting the day together was a lot of work and I appreciate all your efforts.

Best regards,  
Virginia Cornwell

Thank *you*, I know you put a lot of effort into making it the success it was!  
Kelly

Happy Valentine's Day

Emily

I'm glad it was great.

Barb

Thank you for letting us have a chance to speak for AWSCPA CPE class. I bet it must have been a super experience.

Chieko

### *Job Announcements:*

**Robert Half Finance and Accounting** has many excellent openings for CPAs in public accounting and private industry. Please contact Barbara Bowlby or Laurie Ball at 909-945-2292 or [Barbara.bowlby@roberthalf.com](mailto:Barbara.bowlby@roberthalf.com) or [laurie.ball@roberthalf.com](mailto:laurie.ball@roberthalf.com) to be considered for these positions.

*If you have any suggestions, or announcements please send them to Emily Valencia. The website address is:* The URL is: [www.awscpa.org/inlandcounties](http://www.awscpa.org/inlandcounties) (no space between the name).

## **AMERICAN WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

**Inland Counties Affiliate Newsletter – February 2005**

**This Month's Meeting Will Be Thursday February 10, 2005  
The Inland Counties AWSCPA Is Offering An 2-Hour CPE**

### **Our Guest Speaker for February is: Tammy Beverage, CPA**

**Our President will be Presenting: "Financial Statement Preparation for Non-Profit Organizations".**

The presentation will be based on a Bisk CPE class Tammy took on accounting for non-profits. Anybody that works with non-profits should be interested in taking this class.

#### **About our President:**

Tammy Beverage is a CPA working as the controller of a non-profit organization, Idyllwild Arts Foundation (IAF), a private high school in the San Bernardino Mountains. Before working at IAF, Tammy worked as a senior auditor and staff accountant for almost five years at Ahern Adcock Devlin and worked briefly at Ernst and Young in 1999. Tammy earned a B.A in Communication at CSU San Bernardino in 1989 then returned to CSUSB in 1995, receiving an MBA with an emphasis in Professional Accounting in 1998. Tammy has been involved with the AWSCPA since 1997 and currently serves as the chapter president. She is also a member of the California Society of CPA's.

**DATE: Thursday February 10, 2005**

**Time: 6:00 p.m. Networking  
6:30 p.m. Dinner And Speakers**

**Dinner Meeting: The Lotus Garden  
111 East Hospitality Lane  
San Bernardino, Ca 92408**

**Directions: East Interstate 10 to Waterman north exit. From Waterman turn left at the first signal, on Hospitality Lane. The restaurant is on the south side of the street**

**For Reservations Please See Below!**

AMERICAN WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Inland Counties Affiliate Newsletter – February 2005

**RSVP by Monday February 7, 2005**

AWSCPA RSVP

Month of Meeting: February 2005



Members and Guests: Number attending at \$30 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

Retirees: Number attending at \$20 ex. \_\_\_\_\_

Students: Number attending at \$15 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Selection \_\_\_\_\_

Please RSVP to:  
Emily Valencia (909) 624-1857 or

Email to: [emilyvalencia@verizon.net](mailto:emilyvalencia@verizon.net)

**AWSCPA 2004/2005 Calendar of Meetings**

Date	Location	Coordinator	Topic/Speaker
2/10/05	East	Tammy Beverage	Delegation 2 hour CPE (Speaker to be announced)
<b>March 2005</b>			<b>NO MEETING</b>
<b>April 2005</b>			<b>NO MEETING</b>
5/12/05	West	Ginger Simonton	Elderly Fraud (Speaker to be announced)
6/02/05 <b>Vavrinek</b>	East	Barbara Bowlby	<b>(Don Driftmier, CPA Partner</b>

**Trine and Day.** Also, the **Newest Appointee to the State Board of Accountancy.**) Will be speaking on: What is happening in Sacramento that is affecting the accounting profession and how the State Board of Accountancy works.)

## AMERICAN WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Inland Counties Affiliate Newsletter – February 2005

### The History of Valentine's Day

As early as the fourth century B.C., the Romans engaged in an annual young man's rite to passage to the God Lupercus. The names of the teenage women were placed in a box and drawn at random by adolescent men; thus, a man was assigned a woman companion for the duration of the year, after which another lottery was staged. After eight hundred years of this cruel practice, the early church fathers sought to end this practice... They found an answer in Valentine, a bishop who had been martyred some two hundred years earlier.

According to church tradition St. Valentine was a priest near Rome in about the year 270 A.D. At that time the Roman Emperor Claudius-II who had issued an edict forbidding marriage. This was around when the heyday of Roman Empire had almost come to an end. Lack of quality administrators led to frequent civil strife. Learning declined, taxation increased, and trade slumped to a low, precarious level. And the Gauls, Slavs, Huns, Turks and Mongolians from Northern Europe and Asian increased their pressure on the empire's boundaries. The empire was grown too large to be shielded from external aggression and internal chaos with existing forces. Thus more of capable men were required to be recruited as soldiers and officers. When Claudius became the emperor, he felt that married men were more emotionally attached to their families, and thus, will not make good soldiers. So to assure quality soldiers, he banned marriage.

Valentine, a bishop, seeing the trauma of young lovers, met them in a secret place, and joined them in the sacrament of matrimony. Claudius learned of this "friend of lovers," and had him arrested. The emperor, impressed with the young priest's dignity and conviction, attempted to convert him to the roman gods, to save him from certain execution. Valentine refused to recognize Roman Gods and even attempted to convert the emperor, knowing the consequences fully.

On February 24, 270, Valentine was executed.

#### "From your Valentine"

While Valentine was in prison awaiting his fate, he came in contact with his jailor, Asterius. The jailor had a blind daughter. Asterius requested him to heal his daughter. Through his faith he miraculously restored the sight of Asterius' daughter. Just before his execution, he asked for a pen and paper from his jailor, and signed a farewell message to her "From Your Valentine," a phrase that lived ever after.

Valentine thus becomes a Patron Saint, and spiritual overseer of an annual festival. The festival involved young Romans offering women they admired, and wished to court, handwritten greetings of affection on February 14. The greeting cards acquired St.Valentine's name.

The Valentine's Day card spread with Christianity, and is now celebrated all over the world. One of the earliest cards was sent in 1415 by Charles, duke of Orleans, to his wife while he was a prisoner in the Tower of London. The card is now preserved in the British Museum.

Happy Valentine's Day