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President's Message

The holiday season is drifting toward us like a wind-captured snowflake. This month I experienced my first drive to Idyllwild amidst such winter wonder – quite beautiful but requiring a cautious foot on the pedal and a conscious effort to minimize highway hypnosis.

I'd like to give a special thanks to Laurie Ball and Lorraine Quintanar for sharing their insights on the accounting field to students during the October meeting. Providing these students with practical information helps them make choices that will bring them the most career satisfaction. I consider this a significant responsibility of our affiliate.

Our November guest speaker, Robert Cullen, CFP, a published author, and Medi-Cal expert, will present the financial challenges that the elderly and their families face. This topic touches all of us. The steady and steep increases in health care costs will only exacerbate the difficulties that could lay ahead for many people even those who believed they had planned properly. Mr. Cullen has researched and analyzed the financial devastation that can wreak havoc on a person during the weakest moments of illness. His expertise in this arena could help us assist our own family and our clients. I hope to see many enthusiastic faces at the November meeting.

I would like to extend my congratulations to our Affiliate Treasurer, Del Anderson. She has accepted a job out of state to be closer to her family. I am sorry to see her leave us but wish her the best on this new stage in her life.

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Announcements:

Congratulations! Congratulations! Congratulations!

To: Del Anderson, who will be moving to accept a job offer in Wisconsin. This new job will allow her to be close to her first grandchild that will be born in Wisconsin in December. Del's last day will be sometime toward the end of November.

To: Emily Valencia for receiving a scholarship for Professionals in Finance and Accounting from the Hispanic College Fund (HFC).

New Job Announcements:

Ahern Adcock Devlin LLP, located in Riverside, is accepting resumes for two tax season interns and experienced auditors (2 years minimum). Please contact Ronda Shutt at 951-683-0672 (ext. 2368) for more information. Or FAX a resume to her at Fax # 909-686-7780. The office is located at 2155 Chicago Ave., Suite 100, Riverside, CA 92507. To find out more about AAD, visit www.aadcpas.com

Controller

Salary up to PACKAGE (BASE + BONUS) \$100k

Riverside Location

My client is a very well established manufacturer and has grown to become a world leader in their field. With revenues at over \$100m, they offer a great opportunity for a strong Controller to advance his/her career.

Contact: Carolyn Ziel Essential Search Inc., Innovative Solutions in Finance"

Ph: 310-618-0441

cziel@essentialsearch.net

Fax: 310-943-2607

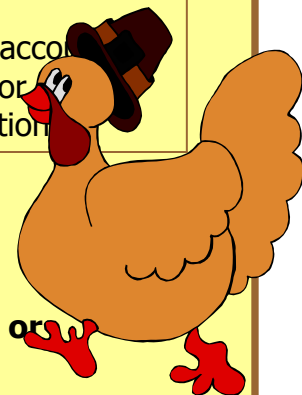
All Former Job Postings Are Still Open and Include:

Capin Crouse LLP is looking for a Senior with 2 to 4 years experience and a Manager. Our firm specializes in non-profits and we are located in Brea. For more information you can call Myra at (714) 671-9300.

Capin Crouse, LLP
975 W. Imperial Highway, Suite 120
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Polk Walsh Cook & Associates have many opportunities:
Contact Lorraine Quintanar, Executive Recruiter
(949) 752-7600 Or Fax (949) 752-6471
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Robert Half Finance and Accounting has many excellent openings for CPAs in public accountancy and private industry. Please contact Barbara Bowlby or Laurie Ball at 909-945-2292 or Barbara.bowlby@roberthalf.com or laurie.ball@roberthalf.com to be considered for these positions.



Please email me if you would like to make a personal or professional announcement in the newsletter.

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Minutes

October 7, 2004

The meeting was called to order by Del Anderson, Treasurer, at Lotus Garden in San Bernardino, California at 6:35 p.m. Seven members and guests were in attendance. Del welcomed everyone to our Annual Student Night. She addressed our guest speakers and gave an overview of our organization.

Old Business: The effort to organize an all-day CPE Saturday meeting was discussed. Also, the January meeting was pushed forward from January 8th to January 22nd because of conflicts with the Cal Society meeting.

New Business: The position of Treasurer will be open again in November. We will discuss this at the November 11th meeting and ask for volunteers to take the place of our current Treasurer Del Anderson.

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.

Announcements: Several job opportunities were announced.

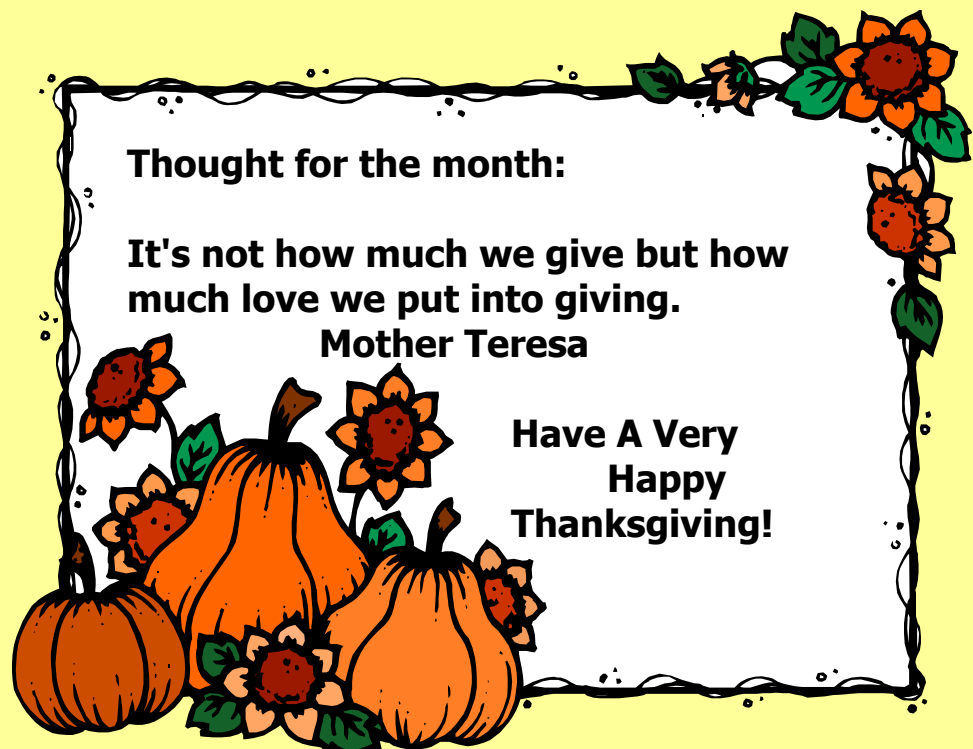
Self-introductions followed with the speakers sharing about themselves.

After dinner, Laurie Ball Spoke about her role as an accountant and how to handle a range of situations that may arise while working for a firm. Lorraine Quintanar spoke about the importance of presenting yourself in a professional manner during the interview, as well as being knowledgeable about the the varying aspects of the firm itself.

Meeting adjourned at:
9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Bowlby, Secretary



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About Our Guest Speaker Robert J Cullen, CFP®

Robert J. Cullen, CFP® is a writer, speaker and consultant with a gift for making complex issues understandable. He is the president of Cullen Financial Services, Inc, a full range financial planning firm with special focus on the needs of elderly clients and their families. His work, coupled with experience as a reporter and financial journalist, propelled him to become an expert on the Medi-Cal system and the financial needs of seniors, baby boomers, and concerned children of elderly parents. In the process, he developed a new paradigm for understanding Medi-Cal eligibility rules and became a sought-after consultant on Medi-Cal to seniors and financial and legal advisors. Bob gained national prominence through articles in the *Los Angeles Times*, *Medical Economics*, *Financial Planning Magazine* and other publications. He maintains a busy financial planning and consulting practice in Upland, California.

The Technical Information:

Robert J. Cullen, CFP®, serves as president of Cullen Financial Services, Inc., a registered investment advisor. He is also branch manager for Linsco/Private Ledger, a national brokerage firm that serves independent financial advisors. Linsco/Private ledger is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers and Security Investor Protection Corporation.

Date: Thursday, November 11, 2004
Time: 6:00pm: Networking
6:30pm: Dinner and meeting

Dinner/Meeting: Bellissimo Pizza & Pasta 11849 Foothill Blvd. Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Phone: (909) 948-0948

Bellissimo is in the MASI Shopping Center ½ mile West of the 15 Frwy at the corner of Foothill & Rochester

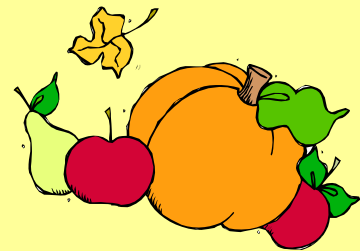
RSVP by Monday November 8, 2004

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Month of Meeting: November 2004

Dinner Selections Include: Your choice of Vegetarian or Meat Lasagna

Both entrees include: Salad, garlic bread, drink and desert



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

Students: Number attending at \$15 ea. _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Vegetarian Dinner _____

Please RSVP to:

Andrea Scott

(909) 648-3179 (PLEASE PHONE YOUR RESERVATION, ONLY THIS MONTH)

andrea_awscca@yahoo.com Andrea cannot respond by e-mail as her laptop was stolen.

Andrea's e-mail is: andrea_awscca@yahoo.com