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**JUST A
REMINDER
TO ALL
MEMBERS TO
SEND IN
THEIR DUES
RENEWALS**

2005 - 2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 25th	Corporate Sponsors' Panel "Pot Pourri - Something For Everyone." 2 hrs. Technical
Thursday, November 17th	Deede Weithorn, CPA "Peer Review Compliance" 2 hrs. Accounting & Auditing
Thursday, February 16th	Marcie Bour, CPA "Business Valuation Standards" 2 hrs. Technical
Thursday, May 18th	Corporate Sponsors' Panel TBA 2 hrs. Technical

All meetings will include dinner and networking at the Tower Club in downtown Fort Lauderdale. You can sign up now for the remaining meetings by sending a check for \$30 each to Lisa Petronio, 301 E. Las Olas Boulevard, 5th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (s) _____ Fax _____

CPA exam passed date _____ Certificate No./State _____

Resource Guide Category (See Page 3) _____

Send check to "AWSCPA" for:	National portion	\$ 105
	Local affiliate	50
	One-time application fee	25
	TOTAL	\$ 180

Send to: Jill Andron, Membership Chair
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OUR MISSION

The American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants (AWSCPA) is a national organization dedicated to serving all women CPAs. The AWSCPA provides a supportive environment and valuable resources for members to achieve their personal and professional goals through various opportunities including leadership, networking, and education.

The society is the only organization devoted exclusively to the support, professional development, and mentoring of women CPAs.

MEETING NOTICE

Peer Review Can You Handle the "Surprise?"

Peer pressure has a slightly different meaning for CPAs. We need to know that the new Peer Review standards are more about our firm's internal systems rather than focused on client engagements.

Deede Weithorn, CPA will enlighten us about the new procedures including a hidden "surprise." Come and join us for our quarterly dinner meeting and earn CPE.

WHEN: Thursday, November 17, 2005

WHERE: The Tower Club
28th Floor, (Regions Bank Building)
Broward Blvd. & S.E. 3rd Ave., Fort Lauderdale

TIME: 6:00 PM - Networking, followed by Dinner. The dinner will be "Chicken Piccata." If you prefer a vegetarian meal, indicate so when you RSVP.

Continuing Education - 2 hrs. Accounting & Auditing

PRICE: \$30 Members • \$35 Non Members • \$20 Student-members
\$25 Student Non Members

Send Reservations to: Lisa Petronio
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301 East Las Olas Boulevard, 5th Floor
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Enclosed is my check payable to AWSCPA in the amount of \$ _____

MEMBER NAME _____ PHONE _____

COMPANY NAME _____

GUEST NAME _____ PHONE _____

COMPANY NAME _____

IF YOU PREFER VEGETARIAN CHECK HERE:

MEMBERS NEWS

Dr. Sharon Lassar, an instructor at Florida Atlantic University was chosen as the Educator of the Year for the AWSCPA. She received her award at the National Joint Conference on September 30, 2005.



Bonnie L. Mackey, CPA, CSEP of Levin, Silvey, Zelko & Co., PA wrote articles featured in the September and October issues of the S. Florida Hospital News entitled "Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) & Cafeteria Plans (125)" and "Energy Tax Incentive Act of 2005 (for 2006-2007)." In addition, the "Energy" article was published on WECAL.org (Women's ECommerce Association, International) where Bonnie is a global lifetime member. She is in the process of writing internet fraud and security articles for the Association's e-book, "Getting More Business – The Woman's Ecommerce Marketing Guide to Promote Your Products and Services on the Internet."

Bonnie was nominated for the Excellence in Accounting Award by The South Florida Business Journal to be announced on November 18, 2005 at the Signature Grand. She is also a quasi board member for email notifications, in addition to Accountant of Record, for the Broward County Guardianship Association.

Bonnie was recently accredited by the FICPA as an Ethics Course Instructor. She is available for Chapter and/or in-firm seminars in 2 or 4 hour sessions.

Congratulations to our UBS corporate sponsor, Lesleen E. Bolt, ChFC who was chosen to receive the "Women of Style & Substance" award for 2005 from the Symphony of the Americas Society. She received her award at a luncheon on November 3, 2005, at the Hyatt Regency Pier 66.

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Tammy Goldstrich is a supervisor in the commercial audit department of Rachlin, Cohen & Holtz. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Florida, and her Master's degree in Taxation from Florida International University.

Christine Petress is an auditor in the commercial audit department of Rachlin, Cohen & Holtz. She has been with the firm for almost 2 years. Christine received her bachelor's degree in accounting from Florida Atlantic University and is currently taking courses towards her Master's degree in Accounting at Florida International University. While a student, she was involved with the professional business fraternity Delta Sigma Pi.

AWSCPA NATIONAL NEWS

2005 ASWA/AWSCPA Joint National Conference. American Society of Women Accountants (ASWA) and American Woman's Society of CPAs (AWSCPA) held a joint conference on September 28 through October 1, 2005, at the Loews Hotel in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Congratulations to the South Florida Affiliate who was presented with the "Star Affiliate Award" for excellence in corporate sponsorship development. Our South Florida affiliate attendees were: Ivy Defino, Lisa Petronio, Jaime Hochman, Sharon Lassar and Mary Cheaney.

Visit the AWSCPA National Web Site at www.awscpa.org for information on techcasts and for upcoming events on our Local Web Site at www.awscpa.org/southflorida.



UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES & PETER QUINN:

VP Retirement Sales, Guardian Life and Annuity Company Host CPE

Retirement Planning: CPE 2 hour credit

Date/Time: Tuesday, December 13, 2005 at 12:00 (noon)*

Location: UBS Financial Services
401 East Las Olas Blvd., Suite 2300
Conference Room Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
* Lunch will be served

RSVP: Lesleen Bolt at lesleen.bolt@ubs.com no later than December 7th

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SCHOLARSHIP CORNER

American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants South Florida Affiliate Announces Competition for Two Scholarships

Each year the South Florida Affiliate awards two scholarships:

- A cash scholarship in honor of E. Jean Meyers
- A Becker CPA review scholarship

Applicants

- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident.
- Must attend a South Florida school.
- Must be entering their fourth or fifth year of pursuing an accounting degree.
- Scholarship is awarded for academic excellence, tempered with financial need and community involvement.
- Applications are available each January for a March 31st deadline. For an application, please

Contact: Dr. Sharon Lassar
Florida Atlantic University

2912 College Avenue, LA 476 • Davie, FL 33314

Email: lassar@fau.edu

American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants National Scholarship

AWSCPA offers a national scholarship to individuals aspiring to become a Certified Public Accountant (CPA).

- The recipient of the scholarship will receive funding for a CPA review course conducted by a recognized CPA review provider.
- The scholarship will be paid directly to the provider and is valued at approximately \$2,200.
- Needs and scholastic aptitude will be considered for the recipient(s). Awarding of the scholarship is done at several student conferences held between August and December of each year, including but not limited to the Beta Alpha Psi Annual Conference.
- Due date of application is March 15. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by June 30.
- Applications are available online and in printable (pdf) formats at www.awscpa.org.



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THE BOOK IS COMING!

What book you ask?

The 2006 Resource and Referral Guide

This reference guide is packed with useful information about AWSCPA members and their fields of expertise and employment specialties. It is sent to over 1,500 CPAs in South Florida and all of our Corporate Sponsors. Here is a listing of the categories:

- Taxation, Auditing, Accounting, IRS Problems Resolution (audits and collection matters)
- Consulting, Other Services, Private Enterprise, Not for Profit Organizations
- Education, Government, Student Members



To be listed in this guide, you must be a paid member. Enclosed with this newsletter is the information form. Please complete and return these forms by November 30, 2005 to ensure that our information is correctly updated.

JOB BANK INFORMATION

Local east Fort Lauderdale CPA firm is looking for a per diem para-professional, part time tax return processor and a part time secretary. Tax return experience is preferred. Salary commensurate with experience. E-mail resume to hbaspirit@aol.com.



Internal Audit Department of the Seminole Tribe of Florida has several full time positions available for Level I and Level II internal auditors. One to five years of experience related to internal audit or audit of financial statements is required (Level I not less than 1 year experience). Job duties include compliance audits of Tribal gaming facilities/resort facilities in 6 locations within the State of Florida which involves approximately 65% travel. Travel expenses reimbursed. Main administrative offices are located in Hollywood, Florida. Salary is negotiable. E-mail resume to IAJobs@seminoletribe.com.

Senator International is looking for a CPA, who is a qualified CFO or a job candidate with the potential to become a CFO. The salary level is in the upper \$80,000 range and includes a complete benefits package.

Contact: Christian M. Ollino, Vice President Americas
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