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The South Florida Affiliate has established the Sandra Weiner "Woman of Courage" Scholarship Fund

Raffles are held at our quarterly dinner meetings. Donations of both cash and raffle prizes are welcome. Please contact a South Florida Affiliate board member for more information.

The Board of Directors for the AWSCPA's South Florida Affiliate thanks Northern Trust for hosting our board meetings for the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

2009-2010 MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 21st	Moderated by Mary Cheaney, National Liaison "YOU" 2 hrs. Behavioral
Thursday, November 12th	"Green"
Thursday, February 11th	"Linked"
Thursday, May 20th	"Balance"

All meetings will include dinner, valet parking and networking at the Tower Club in downtown Fort Lauderdale. You can sign up now for the remaining meetings by sending a check for \$35 per meeting to Lisa J.D. Efrid, 301 E. Las Olas Boulevard, 5th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (s) _____ Fax _____

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CPA exam pass date _____ Certificate No./State _____

Resource Guide Area(s) of Practice _____

Please charge my MC/Visa # _____ Exp. Date _____

Send Check to "AWSCPA" for:	Annual Dues	\$175.00
	One time application fee	\$ 25.00
		<u>\$200.00</u>

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.

MEETING NOTICE

YOU

A Night to Share Our Experiences

This is a night for you to be the guest speaker. The discussion will be moderated by Mary Cheaney. Please bring a story about an experience that has influenced your life and/or career path. Think about a time when you had to make an important decision. Maybe share a story about how you found you wanted to be an Accountant. Perhaps you were influenced by an important event and/or person in your life. This evening will be about sharing these stories and learning more about your colleagues through their stories.

Join us on Thursday, August 20th, for an evening of sharing your stories. Think of a story you would like to share, make notes, and be a part of the program.

WHEN: Thursday, August 20, 2009

WHERE: The Tower Club
100 S.E. 3rd Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33394
28th Floor, (Regions Bank Building)
Broward Blvd. & S.E. 3rd Ave.

TIME: 5:45 PM - Early networking, followed at 6:30 - Dinner and our Guest Speakers. Bring your dollar bills for the Sandra J. Weiner "Woman of Courage" scholarship raffle.

The dinner will be *Chicken Bistro with sautéed artichokes, mushrooms, and tomatoes.*

If you prefer a vegetarian meal, indicate so when you RSVP.

Continuing Education - 2 hours Behavioral

**PRICE: \$35 Members • \$45 Non Members
\$20 Student Members • \$25 Student Non Members
\$5 Scholarship Donation (Optional)

Send Reservations to: Lisa J.D. Efirid, Reservations Chair
C/O Morrison, Brown, Argiz & Farra, LLP
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1 (800) 239-3843 ext. 1010, to leave message

Cancellation Policy: 24 hours notice prior to meeting is requested

**Includes valet parking (in the Regions Bank parking, north of the garage)

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:

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Amie Schutte is the Director of Accounting at the Ann Storck Center. She recently received her Florida CPA license. She received her bachelor's degree from Florida State University and her master's of accounting and financial management from Keller University.

Melchora Muller just received her master's degree in taxation from Florida International University and is currently studying to take the CPA Exam in September. She received her bachelor's degree from FIU as well.

Josephine Scott is a Tax Manager with BDO Seidman, LLP in their Miami office.

Doreen Perez recently opened her own firm, Advanced Tax Solutions, LLC which handles tax matters for small businesses and individuals. She previously worked for Deloitte for five years as well as five years in private industry. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and her master's in taxation from Florida Atlantic University.

AWSCPA NATIONAL NEWS

SAVE THE DATE: October 19-21, 2009 ASWA/AWSCPA Joint National Conference at The Palms, Las Vegas, Nevada. Room rates are now available at \$129 per night. Don't miss out, reserve early.

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

Upcoming Techcasts being offered by National:

Sales Tax Awareness: If They Audit, Your Client Will Pay!

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009

Time: 02:00 PM EST / 01:00 PM CST / 12:00 PM MST / 11:00 AM PST

Presenter(s): Geni Whitehouse, CPA.CITP, CSPM,
Founder of Even a Nerd Can Be Heard

Objective: This informative presentation discusses:

- why CPAs need to pay attention to sales tax,
- where your clients have exposure, and
- what to look for in a solution that maximizes SaaS (Software-as-a-Service) technology while minimizing risk.

Field of Study: Taxes, State and Local Taxes

Program Level: Basic

CPE Credit: 1 Credit Hour

No advanced preparation or prerequisites are required for this course.



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MEMBER NEWS

Bonnie L. Mackey, CPA/CSEP of Levin, Silvey, Zelko and Mackey, PA was a guest lecturer at FIU on July 25 for its Tax class on Estate & Gift Taxes. She also has upcoming QB presentations on Accounting for Nonprofits for the FICPA and AWS CPA conventions on September 23 and October 20, respectively.

Randi Grant, Director of Taxation and Personal Financial Planning at Berkowitz, Dick, Pollack & Brant, LLP was selected as the Jack & Lilyan Mandel Human Resource Development Award winner by the Jewish Federation of Broward County. She was recognized at the Federation's Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 19th at the Beth Ahm Israel on Stirling Road in Cooper City.

JOB BANK INFORMATION

If you would like to advertise future job positions, contact Cindy at crazyproof@hotmail.com.

CPA candidate looking for full time permanent accounting/tax position. Please contact Cindy Horner at (954) 895-4153 for additional information.



SCHOLARSHIP CORNER

American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants South Florida Chapter To Announce the third Scholarship Winner at the August Meeting. The applications for next year's scholarships will be available beginning in January, 2010.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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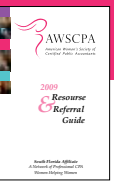
Jacqueline Greenberg, CPA is a tax and accounting manager with Morrison, Brown, Argiz & Farra, LLP. Her practice encompasses business, individual, estate and trust tax clients. She is one of the firm's specialists in its estate, gift and trust practice.

Jacqueline earned her Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a concentration in accounting from the University of Miami in 1983. She subsequently passed the CPA examination with the third highest score in the state. She has spent her entire career in public accounting working in both national and local CPA firms.

Jacqueline is married with two children. Her husband is a CPA and her oldest son is planning to follow in his parents footsteps. He is currently a junior attending Florida Atlantic University planning to pursue a major in accounting.

Jacqueline is an active member of her synagogue and has served on its Board of Governors. She is also a member of the AICPA, FICPA, North Dade/South Broward Estate Planning Council and the Planned Giving Council of Broward County, in addition to her membership in the AWSCPA. In her spare time, Jacqueline enjoys exercising at the gym, reading, yoga and spending time with her family, friends and cat named Bailey.

The 2009 Resource and Referral Guide ARRIVING SOON!



Check out the new look and see if you are listed. If not, become a member to reap membership benefits including your listing in the *Guide*. Are you aware that our members consistently refer business to one another by utilizing the categories in our *Resource and Referral Guide*? Non-members who receive a copy of the *Guide* also use it as a resource to locate women CPAs in specific areas of practice. Our members have received referrals in the areas of Audit, Foreign and International Taxation, Real Estate Tax, Trust Taxation, Business Valuation and Estate & Gift Taxation.

To be listed in this guide, you must be a paid member. Join now by contacting Jill (jandron@bellsouth.net) or Janet (jdavis@southeastamerican.com) to be listed in the 2010 Guide.

IN OTHER NEWS...

The South Florida Business Journal's Key Partners sponsors an awards program, which honors the area's top attorneys and accounting specialists.

Nominations must be received by Monday, August 17, 2009. Winners and finalists will be recognized at an awards program on Thursday, Nov. 12, and profiled in a special section of The South Florida Business Journal.

To submit a nomination, please use the following web address: <http://southflorida.bizjournals.com/southflorida/nomination/1671> For additional information contact Brenna Mello at bmello@bizjournals.com



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A member will be selected by a drawing at each dinner meeting to be "spotlighted" in our next quarterly newsletter. Attend our dinner meetings for an opportunity to be in the newsletter "Member Spotlight."



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