



# ***AWSCPA SEPTEMBER 2004 MEETING NOTICE and NEWSLETTER***

## **2nd Annual Fall Fiesta**

***Monthly Meeting: September 29, 2004***

BRING A GUEST(s)...This is a celebration, a time to share...a **PARTY!**

Get to know your **Local Chapter**--the activities--the **members**  
**and potential new members.**

It's all about **you and 1, 2, 3!**

We will **kick-off and celebrate** the AWSCPA 2004-2005 year. Enjoy the benefits of this exciting **NEW YEAR**. We will highlight upcoming **events**, National activities, **Tucson** chapter history, future goals, prior **accomplishments**, **networking** with each other and other groups, **education**, community service, **scholarships** and much **more. Be there...learn about "1, 2, 3" and YOU!**

***Date and Time:*** Wednesday, September 29, 2004  
11:30 am – 1:30 pm  
(please allow time for check-in, appetizer buffet lunch served at noon)

***Cost:*** \$25.00 (non-members welcome)

***Place:*** City Grill Patio, 6464 E. Tanque Verde

***Reservations:*** **Notify** Leslie Just: e-mail [leslie.just@cliftoncpa.com](mailto:leslie.just@cliftoncpa.com)  
or telephone: 790-3500  
Reservation deadline: **Monday September 27th** at 12:00 pm

**Note:** Participants who sign up but are unable to attend will be billed unless they notify Leslie of the cancellation 24 hours in advance of the luncheon.

# Newsletter

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## **President's Message:**

By Kelly Crandall, CPA

Welcome to the AWSCPA 2004-2005 year! We anticipate many exciting and informative luncheons and events this year with **crowds** of our members and non-members alike. And it all starts with the... **2nd Annual Fall Fiesta!** Join us to meet the new Board of Directors, and again this year, we want to learn about **YOU!** I look forward to seeing you there!

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## **Scholarship Funds Needed**

**\$\$\$ Give and receive... participate** in the 50/50 raffle at the meeting - proceeds to benefit the scholarship fund. **OR** send your contribution to: *Deborah Moore, AWSCPA Treasurer (fbo scholarship), Busby, Sanford Brady CPAs PLC, 2055 N. Kolb #101, Tucson, AZ 85715.*

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## **Upcoming: Mark Your Calendars!**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event Sneak Preview</u>
<b>10/27/04</b>	Mona L. Hymel, Professor of Law The University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law <b>"Questions Candidates Don't Want You to Ask"</b> <b>The Kerry and Bush tax platforms</b>

## ***Member Spotlight: Inquiring minds want to KNOW!***

**This month, meet AWSCPA Co-VP of Hospitality Leslie Just!**

**Member** Leslie Just.

**What is your area of accounting specialty?** Tax.

**What is your favorite food?** Pot Roast.

**What WON'T you eat?** Fish, Broccoli, Onions, peppers, etc., etc., etc.  
(My kids are more adventurous than I am!).

**What do you like to do for fun (that's legal)?** Play Trivia Games.

**Favorite Book(s)?** SO MANY! (Currently burning through Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum books.) I also really loved all of Martha Grimes' Richard Jury/ Melrose Place books. Basically any mystery/ crime novel.

**Favorite Holiday?** Definitely Christmas!

**Worst Job?** Probably my last job, working for a CPA in a very small practice.

**Best Job?** My current job (Tax associate at Clifton Gunderson).

**Words to live by:** Always try to treat people better than I would expect them to treat me. You never really know what is going on in their lives. (Remember the movie Changing Lanes?).

## ***Job Opportunity – Tax Accountant***

**Tucson CPA firm** is seeking two experienced accountants for the preparation of corporate, partnership and fiduciary tax returns. Applications will be accepted for full-time, flex-time or reduced summer/fall work-load positions. We provide a competitive compensation package commensurate with experience. The firm has adopted a four-day work week from July 15 through December 31, with closure on Friday. Interested parties may call our office at (520) 327-8530 for additional information. Resumes and salary requirements may be submitted to **Kleinhans, Lashbrook & Butler**, P.L.L.C., 4534 E. Camp Lowell Rd., Tucson, AZ 85712 or e-mail to [cllcpa@earthlink.net](mailto:cllcpa@earthlink.net).

## **Membership:**

If you are interested in hearing more about the local affiliate or **joining** our organization, please contact VP's of Membership: Anne C. Hoff ([annehoff@earthlink.net](mailto:annehoff@earthlink.net)) or Lynnae Fritz ([lfritz@bfcocpas.com](mailto:lfritz@bfcocpas.com))

## **AWSCPA Board of Directors 2003-2004:**

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**WE'RE ON THE WEB!!** We have our very own AWSCPA Tucson Website!  
Head to <http://www.awscpa.org/tucson/index.html> to check it out!

## **AWSCPA 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 **advocacy, networking, leadership, training, education** and **public awareness**.

## ***AWSCPA Joint National Conference***

The **Joint Inspired Solutions Conference** at the InterContinental Hotel in downtown Chicago, Illinois, set for **November 10-12, 2004**, is AWSCPA and ASWA's first Joint National Conference in ten years. It will provide a dynamic program that will help you achieve sustained excellence and be your very best - both professionally and personally.

The program is designed to offer you the opportunity to earn 21 hours of CPE during the conference and consists of four tracks: Accounting & Auditing, Controllershship, Personal and Professional Development, and Tax. In addition, a special 2-part session on Nonprofit Governance will be offered.

This is your opportunity to learn, relax, enjoy and grow at the ASWA/AWSCPA Joint National Conference. Take advantage of this experience that will provide just the right balance of education, networking and fun. Please visit the National website at [www.awscpa.org](http://www.awscpa.org) for registration info.

### ***Board Meetings:***

The next AWSCPA Board of Directors meeting will be held in October at the offices of Hammel & Co., 5656 E. Grant Road. All AWSCPA members are welcome to attend and participate in our board meeting discussions. If you have an idea for a speaker, topic or other idea you would like the board to address, please feel free to contact any board member. Specific meeting date and time has not been set at this time. Additional information may be obtained from Kelly Crandall ([kellyc@cpahammel.com](mailto:kellyc@cpahammel.com) or 886-3181).

### ***Charitable Endeavors:***

#### ***YWCA - Your Sister's Closet***

Provides unemployed women with clothing that is appropriate for job interviews and to begin employment. Need professional clothing that is stylish, clean and ON HANGERS. Bring your items to the September through December meetings and we will arrange for delivery to YWCA.

#### ***Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation***

Bring your old eyeglasses, sunglasses, and hearing aids. We will have a collection box available at the meetings and we will deliver items to drop off location.

#### ***Casa Paloma - division of Primavera Foundation***

A program geared just for women without children or partners. Referrals to its long-term housing facility come from other agencies assisting drug/alcohol/domestic violence victims. This agency needs money, volunteers, and the following items: women's clothing, shower supplies, shampoo, deodorant, laundry detergent and personal items (maxipads). Delivery of all donated items will be arranged.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynda Nigh ([lnigh1@qwest.net](mailto:lnigh1@qwest.net) or 299-5575).

***Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.***