



AWSCPA NOVEMBER 2003 MEETING NOTICE and NEWSLETTER

Monthly Meeting: November 19, 2003

Topic: *Charitable Giving Approved for 1 hour CPE Credit*

Speaker: *Pamela Doherty
Executive Director for the Center for Planned Giving*

Pamela Doherty is the Executive Director for the Center for Planned Giving. The Center was established in November 2002 as a philanthropic resource for not-for-profit organizations, **professional advisors** and donors. It was created through a partnership between the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona and Leave A Legacy™ Southern Arizona, and is dedicated to increasing the planned and major gifts made to charitable organizations in the community.

Pamela will be discussing **Charitable Giving** and how to use the Center for Planned Giving as a resource for our clients.

Date and Time: Wednesday November 19, 2003
11:45 am – 1:30 pm
(please allow time for check-in, lunch served at noon)

Cost: \$20.00 members, \$25.00 non-members

Place: El Parador, 2744 E. Broadway

Reservations: Call Sara Tomchin at 888-0860 or e-mail her at stomchin@dotcc.org by Friday November 14, 2003 @ 3:00 pm and indicate your choice of entrée:

1. ***ENSALADA CAMPESINA:*** Marinated breast of chicken tossed with crisp romaine in house chipolte dressing. Garnished with fiesta tortilla chips.
2. ***FAJITA BURRO:*** marinated chicken or Angus certified beef, sautéed with peppers and onions, wrapped in a flour tortilla, served with refried beans, sour cream and guacamole. ***Please indicate either beef or chicken.***
3. ***VEGGIE BURRO:*** Refried beans, Spanish rice, shredded lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, sour cream and pico de gallo, rolled in a flour tortilla. (No lard ever in the beans).

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

- **\$\$\$ Be there!** This is your chance to win 50% off the **half-day seminar – we'll be having the drawing at the meeting** (see seminar details in the President's message below).
- BRING A **GUEST**, pass the sheet above along to your co-workers!
- **\$\$\$ Give and receive...50/50 raffle...proceeds to benefit the scholarship fund** (see details below).

Newsletter

President's Message:

By Lori Hoby, CPA

SAVE THE DATE...Be sure to mark your calendar for the half-day seminar, Wednesday morning, December 10, 2003. **It's all about YOU!** This Financial Planning seminar will focus on personal as well as professional perspectives. **Women...take control!** This will be a lively, passionate discussion that **each and every participant** will be able to relate to and **benefit** from. An opportunity for you to learn about the three E's...**Emotions, Expectations and Economics**. Do not miss this quality **four hours of CPE!!!**

- December 10, 2003, 8:00 am to noon
- **\$75.00 includes Breakfast**
- Sheraton Four Points, University Plaza – free parking!
- **RESERVATION INFO WILL BE FORWARDED SOON!**

Notes from NATIONAL:

THE AWSCPA NATIONAL WEB SITE – WHAT CAN IT DO FOR YOU?

By Alex Miller, CPA National AWSCPA President

Here are five great reasons to check out the **AWSCPA web site** at www.awscpa.org:

1. Need an answer to a tricky tax question? What about a referral source in a particular city or industry? Getting ready to move and want a contact in your new home? Check out the web site in the Members Only section where you can **search the directory** by business segment, location, industry specialty and much more.
2. Looking for a change in your **career path** or perhaps a new employee? Check out the Career Opportunities section on the web site, where you can post a resume or list a job opening and have it seen by AWSCPA members across the country.

3. If you are a fourth or fifth year senior in an accounting program getting ready to sit for the CPA exam, check out our new **National Scholarship**. Our scholarship goes to cover the cost of a CPA review course – check out the link on the front page of the web site.
4. Check out details for next years' **annual conference**, held in the exciting city of Chicago November 10-12, 2004. We'll be joined by the American Society of Women Accountants for a joint conference at the Hotel Intercontinental, on Michigan Avenue in the heart of downtown Chicago. We're within walking distance of the Shedd Aquarium, the Art Institute of Chicago, museums, shopping, and more. Watch for information on the web site, coming soon.
5. **Land's End** is one of the most popular catalog and online retailers in the country. They've teamed up with AWSCPA to offer a super deal for our organization. If you access Land's End in the AWSCPA Affinity Partnership Program, the **AWSCPA CPE Foundation will get 5% of your sale**. You can also shop at TheBabyOutlet.com and our Foundation will get 10%. The Foundation provides scholarship enhancements to affiliates, as well as funds the national scholarship. You can find both retailers in the Members Only section of the web site.

Quickfinders – Such a deal!

If you're a fan of the Quickfinders Handbooks, the Arizona Society of Enrolled Agents has a deal for you. If you order before November 19th, you can get your Income Tax and Small Business Quickfinders for \$35 each, a savings of \$8 off the regular price. You can find the order form at www.aztaxpros.org or get information from AWSCPA National President Alex Miller at alexmillercpa@mindspring.com or 721-5000. You can even save on the \$6 shipping charge by having Bob Jordan, EA deliver them to Alex Miller's office. This is a terrific deal on a valuable resource for tax professionals.

Scholarship Update:

Last year the Tucson Affiliate awarded two \$350 **scholarships** to very deserving and very appreciative UA Accounting students. Our goal this year is to **increase** our awards to two \$500 scholarships. We ask for your **help**...but not without **reward**! Two months ago, at the First Annual Fall Fiesta, over \$75 was donated to the scholarship fund. In addition, a **guest** home with her raffle **prize** in excess of \$50. **Last month, the winner (and the scholarship fund!) went away with \$30 each. SO...**attend the November meeting, donate to the scholarship fund AND earn a chance to **WIN BIG!** The Scholarship winners will be introduced at our January meeting.

\$\$\$ Give and receive... participate in the 50/50 raffle at the meeting - proceeds to benefit the scholarship fund. **OR** send your contribution to: *Janice Doonan, AWSCPA Treasurer (fbo scholarship), DeVries, Carpenter & Associates, PC, 4349 East Fifth Street, Tucson, AZ 85711.*

Member Spotlight: Inquiring MINDS want to know!

This is our first in a series of articles highlighting our **MEMBERS**. This month, meet your friendly newsletter co-chairs, **Lynda Nigh** and **Barbara Ericks!**

Member: Lynda N. Nigh

What is your area of accounting specialty? Tax - 1040's

What is your favorite food? Red wine

What WON'T you eat? Vienna sausages

What do you like to do for fun (that's legal)? Shopping - Entertaining/Cooking

Favorite Book(s)? Patricia Cornwall mysteries

Favorite Holiday? Christmas

Worst Job?: Night waitress at a Holiday Inn Restaurant during high school

Best Job?: 1986-87 mortgage loan officer

Words to live by: Dance like no one is watching, love like you have never been hurt before, sing like no one is listening and live like there is no tomorrow.

Member: Barbara Ericks

What is your area of accounting specialty? Tax – Business, cost segregation studies.

What is your favorite food? Cheeseburgers

What WON'T you eat? Fish and those marshmallow bunnies

What do you like to do for fun (that's legal)? Play golf, read, paint

Favorite Book(s)? At the moment I'm reading a bunch of great art books

Favorite Holiday? Any time I am in Italy

Worst Job?: A toss-up between weighing in trucks at a steel shredding place and making cold calls for an insurance agency. Neither lasted more than 2 days.

Best Job?: Writing about Toys for the Sears Wishbook. We got to play with them all first.

Job Forum:

Position Available

Local CPA firm has a full-time opening for a CPA or CPA candidate with 2-3 three years tax preparation experience. Audit experience a plus. Please fax resume to Busby Sanford Brady, CPAs at 733-2529 or e-mail to darlene@taxandmoneywise.com

For those who are looking for employment or employees in the future, contact **Job Forum** coordinator Darlene Brady at the e-mail address above.

Upcoming: Mark Your Calendars!

Date
November 19, 2003
December 10, 2003
January 28, 2004
February 25, 2004
March 24, 2004

Event Sneak Preview
Lunch CPE Charitable Giving
Half Day Seminar Financial Planning
Lunch CPE Empowerment Zone Credits
Lunch CPE Technology
Lunch CPE Predictive Index

April 28, 2004
May 26, 2004
June 23, 2004

Lunch CPE Mentoring/Coaching
Evening Joint Meeting/**Networking**
Lunch CPE Employment Law

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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**.

Membership:

If you are interested in hearing more about the local affiliate or **joining** our organization, please contact VP's of Membership Darlene Brady (darlene@taxandmoneywise.com) or Deborah Hutchinson (deborah.hutchinson@cliftoncpa.com).