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INTERIM PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members:

Spring has sprung, flowers are in bloom, and the season for vacation is about to become a reality. As I was pulling weeds this past weekend and preparing my flowerbeds for this year's floral extravaganza, I was struck with the thought of how each season brings such hope, encouragement, and satisfaction to my outlook on life.

Nature constantly amazes me. I am always surprised how, in autumn, plants slowly retreat to the earth, storing energy through winter, only to awaken in the spring and emerge from the ground. It is as though the few months of rest was just long enough to provide the necessary invigoration for the beauty they will give all of us over an entire season!

As this year with ASWA draws closer to its autumn, I would encourage all of you to attend our last two general membership meetings. I especially want to encourage all members who have not attended meetings in the past to join us.

The May meeting will be held at Spokane Community College. I am pleased to announce that Leslie Miller will host a hands-on seminar entitled, "Using Advanced Spreadsheet Concepts." Also at the meeting, nominated officers and directors will be voted into office. Please come meet us and place your vote.

The June meeting will be the inauguration of officers and directors for the 2002 - 2003 year. Please come celebrate the successes of the past year and lend a voice to the future programs of the ASWA. I would like to take time to chat with each of you, to listen to your perspective about the ASWA, and to exchange thoughts about the direction of the group.

If you are unable to attend, please call me (208-773-2563 or 800-634-4914) so we can discuss the ASWA and what you want our group to accomplish and offer during the upcoming year.

I thank each of you for your continued support of the ASWA, Inland Northwest Chapter No. 4. I hope to see you at both the May and June meetings.

Most Sincerely,
Barbara Suveg
President

Monthly Membership Meeting - May 2002
USING ADVANCED SPREADSHEETS CONCEPTS

DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2002

TIME: 6 P.M.

PLACE: SPOKANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE (DIRECTIONS BELOW)

SPEAKER: LESLIE MILLER

COST: \$10 PER PERSON (PIZZA AND SOFT DRINKS)

THIS WILL BE A "HANDS-ON" WORKSHOP.

SPACE IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 24 ATTENDEES.

**LESLIE IS SURE TO PROVIDE US WITH A WEALTH OF VALUABLE INFORMATION—THIS IS
ONE YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!!**

The driving directions are:

Room 1208 (2nd Floor)

509.533.7496

Building 1

Park in Visitors Area on Mission Avenue - Enter
through Southeast Entrance

Directions to Spokane Community College

From I-90 Eastbound

1. Take the Thor/Freya Street exit.
2. Turn left at Thor Street. (Thor Street will become Thor Place.)
3. Thor Place will become Freya St when you cross Sprague Avenue.
4. Continue traveling north on Freya St. Freya will become Greene Street at Mission Avenue. The SCC campus is located at the intersection of Greene St and Mission Ave. You may enter the campus from Greene St or from Mission Ave.

From I-90 Westbound

1. Take the Thor/Freya Street exit.
2. Travel two blocks west to Thor Street and turn right at the stoplight. (Thor St will become Thor Place.)
3. Thor Place will become Freya St when you cross Sprague Avenue.
4. Continue traveling north on Freya St. Freya will become Greene Street at Mission Avenue. The SCC campus is located at the intersection of Greene St and Mission Ave. You may enter the campus from Greene St or from Mission Ave.

Please RSVP by emailing Barb Suveg @ barbarasuveg@yahoo.com

National Mission Statement

The mission of the American Society of Women Accountants is to enable women in all fields of accounting to achieve their personal, professional and economic potential and to contribute to the future development of the profession.

Inland Northwest ASWA Mission Statement

The mission of the Inland Northwest Chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants is to provide an organization that supports networking, educational, and mentoring opportunities for accounting and finance professionals in the Inland Northwest.

**INLAND NORTHWEST CHAPTER #4
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF WOMEN ACCOUNTANTS**

The Inland Northwest Chapter of American Society of Women Accountants publishes. The Ledger monthly. Members, committee and project chairs and friends are welcome to submit articles, photos and Letters-to-the-Editor before the deadline.

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| 2001-2002 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Monthly Meetings <i>Held at the Doubletree in Spokane Valley at the Sullivan exit, Veradale, Time: 5:30 p.m. Networking - Dinner at 6:30pm followed by the Speaker</i> | | |
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| September 20, 2001 | <i>Danna Beal, Motivational Speaker</i> | <i>"The Tragedy in the Workplace"</i> |
| October 17, 2001 | <i>Lynn D. Olson, M.S., Writer and Teacher</i> | <i>"Effective Business Writing"</i> |
| November 15, 2001 | <i>Dennis Ashley, Associated Industries - Corporate Trainer/Consultant "Personalities at Home & at Work"</i> | |
| December 20, 2001 | <i>Annual Christmas Social & Ornament Exchange</i> | |
| January 17, 2002 | <i>Janice Loux, Tax Sr. Mgr, BDO Seidman LLP</i> | <i>Tax Update</i> |
| February 21, 2002 | <i>Networking meeting & a farewell to Loretta Ruppert</i> | |
| April 18, 2002 | <i>Construction Accounting with NAWIC</i> | |
| May 23, 2002 | <i>Hands-on Computer Workshop with Leslie Miller, Spokane Community College</i> | |
| June 20, 2002 | <i>Scholarship Presentation and Installation of Officers</i> | |

For more information on events, please email Sharon Greenslitt, Program Chair at dir1@aswa4.org or Barbara Suveg, Hospitality chair at vicepres@aswa4.org

CHECK US OUT!!

Our Inland Northwest Chapter website is full of useful links---local firms, research and professional resources, state offices, etc. We have something for everyone!!

<http://www.aswa4.org>

**American Society of Women Accountants
Inland Northwest Chapter #4
Board of Directors Meeting**

Date: Thursday April 4, 2002

- 1) **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6pm by Leslie Miller, Past President.
- 2) **Is there a quorum present?** There were 5 board members present.

Officers and guests in attendance:

- BARB SUVEG, INTERIM PRESIDENT
- LESLIE MILLER, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT
- LISA KROISS, TREASURER
- ROSEMARY COULSON, RECORDING SECRETARY
- SHARON GREENSLITT, DIRECTOR #1

- 3) **Minutes:** March's Board Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as edited.

4) **Committee Reports:**

| Reported By: | Committee: | Content: |
|---------------------|-------------------|---|
| Lisa K | Treasurer | Mar: Checking \$500; Scholarship \$745 plus \$3,533 CD and \$4,500 CD; Conference \$271 |
| Lisa K | Finance | Both CDs come due in May – discussed renewing options keeping in mind that we will issue \$2,000 in scholarships during June |
| Sharon | Programming | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 18: Section 529 College Savings with Glen Baldwin • May 16: Technology with Leslie Miller at SCC with Pizza • June 20: Installation and Scholarship presentation. Program TBA • July: Planning meeting, date TBA |
| Barbara | Nominations | Nomination committee will consist of Sharon Greenslitt, Leslie Miller, and Jennifer Vasconcellos. We reviewed the offices to be filled and who may be able to fill them. |
| Loretta | Scholarship | Scholarship committee will meet next week to review the applications and make a decision on the recipients |

5) **Old Business:**

- a) Our chapter resigned as the host of the 2004 Northwest Area Days.
- b) The Board motioned and approved a contribution to Habitat for Humanity in the amount of \$100.

6) **New Business:**

- a) We need to revisit a two-year officer term in the By-laws.
- b) The Spirit of the Northwest award may be changed to a bi-annual award.
- c) Washington Board of Accountancy has some changes they are considering. We will post the letter, or a link, on our website.
- d) Leslie Miller will look into the Women Helping Women fundraiser.

7) **Announcements:**

- a) Lisa Kroiss has been promoted to Finance Director of the Volunteers of America. Sharon Greenslitt has accepted a position with Northland Credit Union as an operations clerk. Congratulations were extended to both of these ladies.

8) Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 7 pm by Barbara Suveg, Interim President.

Officer Nominations – 2002/2003 year

President: Barbara Suveg
 Vice President: Sharon Greenslitt
 Treasurer: Leah Vacca (new member & new to board)
 Recording Secretary - Marie Vanover (new to the board)
 Correspondence Secretary: Rosemary Coulson
 Immediate Past President: Linda Carter
 Director #1 - Programs: Leslie Miller
 Director #2 - Hospitality: Lisa Kroiss
 Director #3 - Historian: Joyce Towne

Position open:
 President Elect



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