

Seattle Chapter Meeting Wednesday, April 22

Rainier Golf & Country Club
11133 Des Moines Memorial Drive South
Seattle, WA 98168
(206) 242-4460

Dress code requirement: no jeans

Menu:

Salad: Tossed Green

Entrée: Baked Mahi Mahi

Dessert: Carrot Cake

Vegetarian Option: Pasta Radiatore

Members/Faculty	\$27.00
Guests	\$29.00
Students Members	\$19.00
Student Guests	\$21.00
Coffee Only	\$ 5.00

Reservation/Cancellation Policies

Use the on-line form

Call Arrangements Chair 206-467-8645

Send email to reservations@aswaseattle.org

Reservations deadline:

1pm, Thursday, April 16

Cancellations deadline:

Noon, Monday, April 20

**No-shows and late cancellations will be billed.
Walk-ins are welcome but with no meal availability guarantee.**

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1 Hour CPE

Speaker: Stephen J. Hollomon

Topic: Investing in Uncertain Times: What Should We Do Now?

Stephen J. Hollomon is a First Vice President – Investments and Senior Financial Advisor with the Hollomon & Daniel Group at Merrill Lynch. Before joining Merrill Lynch in 1994, Steve achieved his certificate of public accountancy and practiced tax law in Seattle. Steve's primary role is managing individual stock and bond portfolios. He also actively participates in the financial planning process and advises business customers on retirement plan solutions. In 2009, *Barron's* selected Steve as one of the Top 1000 Advisors in the United States and one of the Top 20 Advisors in Washington State.

The Forum for Women in Accounting Wynn Las Vegas June 22 – 24, 2009

Join the profession's top consultants for The 2009 Forum for Women In Accounting, an event for women working in public accounting (partners, managers, and other firm leaders) as well as male and female COOs, partners, HR directors and others involved in building a strong firm culture and a women's program for their firms. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

Congratulations to the Tucson chapter, which was reactivated in March.

Way to go, Tucson

Calendar of Events

April 15, 2009	ASWA Big Sky: Yellowstone Art Museum Speaker: Renee Richards Topic: ASWA Financial Literacy Programs
April 16, 2009	ASWA Spokane: Red Lion Hotel at the Park Speaker: Lloyd Brewer Topic: Dual Accounting: Carbon & Dollars
April 20, 2009	ASWA Tacoma: La Quinta Inn Speaker: Peggy Webster Topic: Keeping your Appearance Current
April 21, 2009	ASWA Bellevue: Coast Hotel Bellevue Speaker: Patricia Graf-Hoke Topic: Public Speaking & Networking
April 21, 2009	ASWA North Cascades: Bob's Burger & Brew Speaker: Karen Bradley Topic: Why Women are Underrepresented in Math & Science
April 22, 2009	ASWA Seattle: Rainier Golf & Country Club Speaker: Stephen Hollomon Topic: Investing in Uncertain Times
April 28, 2009	ASWA Portland: Crowne Plaza, Lake Oswego Spa Night & Networking
May 11, 2009	ASWA Tacoma: La Quinta Inn Speaker: Wayne Borkowski Topic: Movement in International Accounting Standards
May 14 - 16, 2009	Regional Conference: Lakeway Inn, Bellingham
May 19, 2009	ASWA Bellevue: Coast Hotel Bellevue Student Night & Scholarship Award Presentation Speaker: Linda Quast Topic: Your Career, Your Way
May 20, 2009	ASWA Big Sky: Yellowstone Art Museum Public Relations Event
May 21, 2009	ASWA Spokane: Red Lion Hotel at the Park Speaker: Stephanie Vigil Topic: Volunteering in our Community
May 26, 2009	ASWA Portland: Talbot, Korvola & Warwick Speaker: Noella Kitterman Topic: License Updates
May 27, 2009	ASWA Seattle: Rainier Golf & Country Club Speaker: Tiffany Couch Topic: Cooking the Books with QuickBooks
June 16, 2009	ASWA Bellevue: Coast Hotel Bellevue Topic: Everything You Wanted to Know about L&I but Were Afraid to Ask
June 23, 2009	ASWA Portland: Talbot, Korvola & Warwick Speaker: David Laderman Topic: Getting the Most out of a Job Interview
June 18, 2009	ASWA Spokane: Red Lion Hotel at the Park Officer Installation & Fashion Show
June 21, 2009	ASWA North Cascades: Bob's Burger & Brew 2009-2010 Annual Planning Meeting



Announcements

Scholarship Application Deadlines. May 15, 2009 is the application deadline for ASWA Seattle Chapter 2009 – 2010 Scholarships.

Other organizations that offer scholarships for accounting students: Educational Foundation for Women in Accounting (EFWA) www.efa.org. American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) www.aicpa.org.

Next *Journal* Deadline: Wednesday, April 22. The Seattle Chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants, to serve its members' interests, publishes the *Journal* monthly. If you have news, seminars, community meetings, committee meetings or an article you would like published, attach the file (preferably in Word™, single spaced with no tables, boxes or irregular formatting) and send via email to **Marilyn Wilt** at journal@aswaseattle.org.

Employment Opportunities Newsletter will be posted after the dinner meeting to the Members Only section of the web site. You will need your 5-digit ASWA member ID number to log in. Send email to update@aswaseattle.org if you can't find your member number.

ASWA LinkedIn Group Please visit our [LinkedIn page](#) and join our group to network with other ASWA members. This is a great way to get connected – and stay connected – with women in New York or California or Texas. Nearly 300 members with 13,600 connections have already joined. Are you one of them? Recently Melody King started a discussion on meeting attendance and fee structure. You can also post jobs ... whether you are looking or have an opening.

What have you done for ASWA lately? The Seattle chapter has been well represented on the National Level with Regional Directors or National Board Members. However, don't forget about the local and regional level. Your help is needed in all kinds of ways. Get involved by attending the upcoming Regional Conference or the National Conference in October. Be on the lookout for speakers who you think could contribute to meetings and provide CPE. Recruit new members. Bring guests to Guest Night or Student Night. Bring a dessert to the Dessert Auction ... or better yet, bid on those wonderful desserts. Let us know about community service projects. Keep coming to the meetings. See there are all kinds of ways to be involved. **Everything that you do is important.**

Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee is hard at work filling the slate for 2009 – 2010. If you have never served before but are thinking this might be a good time to get involved, talk to Rachel Petrich. There are plenty of good opportunities and this is a great way to learn new skills. If you just have a little time to give then you can serve on a committee for Guest Night, Student Night or Dessert Auction. For those with a little more time, you could volunteer to be on the Strategic Planning Committee. Say "yes" to serving with the American Society of Women Accountants, Seattle.



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Northwest Regional Conference
May 14 – 16, 2009
Best Western Lakeway Inn
Bellingham, Washington
Go for the Gold!

16 hours of CPE ... Ethics/FASB Update ... Federal Tax Update ... Sustainability Accounting ... International Taxation Issues ... Elder Law ... Navigating New Features of Excel 2007 ... Domestic Production Activity Deduction ... Managing Through Change ... Estates & Trusts ... Recessions: A Recipe for Fraud?

Keynote Address ... Principles of Excellence ... The mental skills developed and utilized by elite athletes to help them succeed can also be applied to the workplace and in your personal life. **Ralph Vernacchia**, one of the nation's leading experts in applied sport psychology, discusses how everyone can draw on their mental skills and inner strengths to achieve peak experiences, effective performances and a satisfying quality of life.

Fun activities ... wine tasting on Thursday night ... **Roaring 20's Murder Mystery Dinner Theater** on Friday night with period costumes being highly encouraged

Chapter Exchange ... on Saturday afternoon is open to all ASWA members

Registration ... Non-members \$375, Members \$325 ... early bird discount by April 17th ... for more information contact Darice Ratzlaff at 360-354-5149, daricer10@msn.com. Online registration will be available shortly.

Lodging ... Best Western Lakeway Inn ... www.thelakewayinn.com ... reservations can be made by calling 1-888-671-1011 ... room rate = \$129/night plus tax for king deluxe, double queen or double double ... reference "American Society of Women Accountants Regional Conference" when making reservations ... room rate valid through April 14th

Be a part of the group going from Seattle. If you are looking for a roommate or want to carpool, touch base with Rhonda O'Leary or Rachel Petrich.

The Seattle chapter has some scholarship money available ... talk to Sue Tebrink.

See you there.



**National Convention
 October 19 –21, 2009
 The Palms Resort Las Vegas**

Planning is already under way. Don't miss the opportunity to be a part of the excitement! If you are looking to contribute your time and talents, your help is needed. Volunteers are needed for the Program, Hospitality and Workforce Committees. Contact Susan Tripepi at stripepi@neo.rr.com if you are interested in helping or if you want additional details. Your involvement adds to the value of the convention for you. Preliminary program content should be available in May. Other activities include leadership meetings and the Chapter Exchange.

The room rate dropped from \$239/night to \$129/night so make your reservations now ... 866-942-7771 and use group code AA1017F. There are also some great airfares available. Book now!

If you are unable to attend perhaps you might have something to contribute to the auction, which supports The Foundation. Last year everyone was jealous of the chocolate that I got!

Some scholarship money will be available. So if you are thinking of going but need some help, please talk to Sue Tebrink. Let's have a great representation from the Seattle chapter.

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Support the ASWA Educational Foundation

from Denisa Jones, CPA, Chair, ASWA Educational Foundation

We are very excited about the upcoming regional conference and hope to see you there. As you are aware, the ability to award scholarships is directly related to the fundraising performance at the local, regional and national level, and the continued support at all levels guarantees our ability to award these scholarships. We hope you will support our fundraising activities in Bellingham.

The Foundation is sponsoring a silent auction. Of course we appreciate your support by participating in that auction, however if you would like, you can also either donate an item with a minimum value of \$50 or make an outright cash contribution. For planning purposes, please email us at aswa@aswa.org if you will be providing an item.

ASWA Mission Statement

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

ASWA Claim Statement

For women who seek advancement in the accounting profession, ASWA is a professional membership organization that provides the leadership skills required for success. ASWA provides experienced mentors and a supportive, non-threatening environment to practice business management and establish a professional reputation among peers.