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OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF WOMEN ACCOUNTANTS

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Joint Meeting w/ Mid-Cities Cliff Parker

“Presenting Your Credentials”

Tuesday, December 16, 2009

One Hour CPE

Petroleum Club

777 Main Street
Fort Worth, TX 76102

11:30 am Lunch

11:45 am Business Meeting

12:10 pm Speaker

1:00 pm Adjourn

\$25.00 per person

\$10.00 students

RSVP

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By **4 p.m. Friday, December 11, 2009**

Please cancel your reservations if you are unable to attend. If they are not cancelled, you will be charged.

ASWA MISSION STATEMENT

“The mission of the American Society of Women Accountants shall be 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”

Speaker Bio

Cliff Parker

Cliff Parker is a CPA and founder of Parker & Associates, a recruiting firm specializing in accounting and finance. Before forming the company in 1997, he spent seventeen years as a tax consultant for Price Waterhouse, KPMG, and RadioShack Corporation after graduating from Harding University in 1979.

Cliff has been a member of the TSCPA and the Fort Worth Chapter of the TSCPA for over twenty five years. He served as President of the Fort Worth Chapter in 2004-2005. He has served on the TSCPA Board of Directors since 2004. He is a member of the AICPA, COPAS (oil and gas accountants) and the Institute of Internal Auditors.

In addition to accounting organizations, Cliff has been a board member of the Fort Worth Chapter of the American Cancer Society since 1987. He also served on the Texas Division Board of Directors and as Chairman of the Texas Government Relations Committee for that organization. He is a member of the downtown Fort Worth Rotary Club and the City Club. He is married and has five children.

President's Letter

December 2009

I hope everyone had a peaceful, wonderful Thanksgiving. I just love this time of year! The first ASWA meeting I attended was in December. Dan Chick was President then, and he had us singing Christmas carols. It was a lot of fun. I would like to be able to do that again. Unfortunately, I have never been able to carry a tune. After the stroke, it is even worse. So, if anyone is a singer and would like to lead us in some Christmas carols at the December meeting, please let me know. I would love to put that on the agenda. I am eager to hear from Misty and Kelsey about the JNC in Las Vegas at our December meeting. And, I am hoping to see everyone at our January social meeting at Billy Bob's. We will combine that meeting with a service project. And, we WILL have fun!

Merry Christmas!

Hugs,

Debbie



Fort Worth Alumni - Get Connected

Our Chapter supports UT Arlington and the UT Arlington Fort Worth Center by:

- ❖ Promoting the University to Downtown and Greater Fort Worth
- ❖ Mentoring and providing job assistance for UT Arlington Fort Worth Center students & graduates
- ❖ Assisting with bringing "tier-one" national status to the University & growing the Fort Worth Center to Campus status
 - ❖ Using our voice to influence and encourage greater financial support
- ❖ Working closely with public schools, Tarrant County College, local businesses, and professional associations to encourage enrollment and meet our objectives

We have the privilege of promoting the UT Arlington Fort Worth Center:

- ❖ State of the art facilities located in Downtown Fort Worth
- ❖ Enrollment has had double digit increases every semester since moving to Downtown Fort Worth
- ❖ Expanding number of undergraduate and graduate program offerings in a variety of disciplines
- ❖ Programs & initiatives that support public schools & Tarrant County College teachers & students

And we do all of this knowing we must also meet Chapter member needs including:

- ❖ Networking and business opportunities
 - ❖ Continuing education programs
- ❖ Use of meeting rooms, library, and exercise room
- ❖ Group discounts for events and third party memberships

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ASWA

(Fort Worth Chapter 059)

11/12/2009

Attendance

Karanae Barrey, Treasurer; Gillian Coleman, Secretary; Shelly Cucinello; Erin Fierreira; Nicole Kennedy; Jeanne Smith; Kelsey Wimmer; 7 members from Mid Cities, 1 member from Dallas and the Speaker.

Opening

Following 30 minutes of networking and then dinner the meeting was opened by Wylena Raymond at 6:50 p.m.

New Business and Action Required

Jeanne Smith and Erin Fierreira informed us that Weaver and Tidwell is now Weaver. The Fort Worth Office moves this week.

After dinner everyone introduced themselves and told a little of their ASWA and working background. Leila Khoury spoke and welcomed everyone. She reminisced the old days when we had regular Metro JAMs (Joint Annual Meetings) and was grateful that Debbie Russell and the Fort Worth Chapter pushed to start up the tradition again.

We are looking forward to next year. The location is great and so is the food.

Speaker

Karanae Barrey introduced the speaker, Chris Mitchell, from Whitley Penn. He enlightened us about SAS 70's and what they really mean. He gave an informed presentation on the issues and benefits surrounding SAS 70's.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Wylena Raymond at 8:10 p.m. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 16th at Petroleum Club with networking starting at 11:30 a.m. Bring a friend!

Submitted

Submitted by Gillian Coleman

BULLETIN BOARD

DFW-Mid Cities

Chapter 113
Dinner Meeting
Meet 2nd Thursday
Admiral Inn (former Holiday Inn), Brown & 360 in Arlington
Reservations: Leila Khoury (817) 571-5126

Dallas

Dinner Meeting
Meet 2nd Tuesday
6:30pm
Location – TBA
Check their Website for meeting details:
www.aswadallas.org
Reservations:
aswa_dallas@yahoo.com

Standing Reservations

The following are on the standing reservation list. If you don't plan to attend the meeting, you must contact Karanae Barrey to **cancel**. If you do not cancel by the deadline, you will be billed for your meal.

Talana Anderson
Laurie Barbee
Jan Bass
Misty Brown
Gillian Coleman
Peggy Johnson
Kay Kimbrough
Debbie Russell
Jeanne Smith

Deadline for the next Newsletter is December 16, 2009

E-mail to:
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Check out our updated Chapter Website at:
www.aswa-ftworth.org

Thanks to our new Webmaster, Nicole Kennedy, for updating!

Dues

2008 – 2009:

Regular - \$151.00 *

Student - \$69.00 *

Retired - \$61.00 *

Non-member
Newsletter - \$12.00

* includes \$25 registration fee

Upcoming Meetings

January 15, 2010
Friday Evening
ASWA Social Event
Billy Bob's Texas

Bring a prospective member and join us for dinner and networking!

More details to follow...

December Birthdays

Christy Cates – 4th

Jing Mao – 4th

Candice Leitner – 5th

Misty Brown – 20th

Gillian Coleman – 24th



**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS!**

Save the Date:

**2010
Joint National
Conference**

September 27-29, 2010

Nashville, Tennessee

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