



American Society of Women Accountants  
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## Connections that Count!

### 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”

### Cheryl L. Coon

Shannon, Gracey, Ratliff & Miller, L.L.P.

### “The Legal Side of the Healthcare Bill”

*Cheryl L. Coon* is a partner at Shannon, Gracey, Ratliff & Miller, L.L.P. Ms. Coon’s practice includes representation of health care providers, primarily physicians, where she has counseled on a range of regulatory and business health law issues, including issues related to Medicare billings, fraud and abuse, HIPAA and the Stark anti-referral law. Ms. Coon can help with establishing a business, management agreements, employment agreements and other documentation and agreements necessary for a health care business to operate. She also has advised health care providers on issues related to medical waste and environmental laws. She is licensed in Texas and is a member of the State Bar of Texas Health and Environmental Law Sections and the American Health Lawyers Association. Ms. Coon graduated from Southern Methodist University School of Law *magna cum laude*. Prior to attending law school, she worked as a Medical Technologist, MT (ASCP) at four hospitals in Texas.

### April 20, 2011 1 Hour CPE Petroleum Club

777 Main Street  
Fort Worth, TX 76102

11:30 AM Networking

11:45 AM Business

Meeting

12:10pm Speaker

1:00PM Adjourn

\$25 per person

RSVP to

Carmen Carpenter

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### April Birthdays:

Talana Anderson - April 3rd

Kim Webb—April 19th

### Upcoming Topics:

*Jeff Crilley*

“Marketing Without Money”

*Victoria Snee*

“The Beauty Buzz: No More Beauty B..S.!”

## President's Letter

April 2011

Spring has officially arrived! I woke to the first of the April showers yesterday morning, and I've already had my first sunburn of the year. While Fall brings relief from the seemingly never ending days of heat, Spring brings the glorious warmth of the sun after the long, dreary, cold (and unusually high number of snowy) days. The sun, warmth, bluebonnets, and

blossoming greenery is always just what I need to get out of those wintery blues. It's time to enjoy baseball (Go Rangers...starting out the year with a sweep of the Red Sox!!), the annual fish fry, shorts, dresses and of course, fabulous summery shoes...strappy, flip floppy and peep toed!

I hope knowing a beautiful

Spring awaits at the end of the busy season can help push you through these next few weeks AND another motivation...our Annual Wine Tasting Social in May! I look forward to seeing you at the April luncheon (in some fabulous shoes...) where we can all make Connections that Count!!

~Misty



### *Annual Wine Tasting Social*

May 20, 2011 at 7 pm

1226 Falcon Ridge Dr Kennedale, TX 76060

Please bring a bottle of wine and an appetizer. Guests are welcome...and don't forget your glass!



#### 2011-2012 Officer Slate:

President: Misty Brown

Board Members: Kelsey Wimmer

VP: Karanae Barrey

Brandi Fletcher

Treasurer: Carmen Carpenter

Jan Bass

Secretary: Erin Ferreira

Vote at the April Lunch Meeting!!

***We now have a chapter Facebook page. Just search FW Chapter ASWA and "like" us to be a part of the group***

**ASWA**  
**Fort Worth Chapter 59**  
**Meeting Minutes 03/23/11**

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**Attendance**

Misty Brown, President; Karanae Barrey, Vice President; Carmen Carpenter, Treasurer; Erin Ferreira, Secretary  
Total of 18 members and 3 guests.

**Opening**

Following approximately 15 minutes of networking, the meeting was opened by Misty Brown at 11:50am.

**Reports**

Approval of minutes: Misty Brown asked for approval of the minutes as presented in the newsletter. Approved by Talana Anderson, seconded by Chista Humphries, accepted by membership.

Treasurer's report: Misty Brown asked for approval of the treasurer's report as previously emailed. Approved by Brandi Fletcher, seconded by Karanae Barrey, accepted by membership.

Misty asked members to introduce their guests.

Officer Reports:

- President – Misty Brown
- The IMA conference is coming up soon and they have agreed to extend their member rates to ASWA. The

Dallas and Fort Worth chapters of ASWA will get to share a free booth at the conference.

- Vice President – Karanae Barrey
- Nothing to report
- Secretary – Erin Ferreira
- Bylaws and Standing Rules – The Board has reviewed responses from National and will be sending our response. Upon resolution all details will be presented to the membership.
- Treasurer – Carmen Carpenter
- Nothing to report
- Board Member – Brandi Fletcher
- Nothing to report
- Board Member - Debbie Russell
- Nomination committee – we will be keeping the same officer slate as the current year except that Jan Bass will be replacing Debbie.

Committee Reports:

- Membership – Jamye Shaffer
- Not present

- No new members
- Job Book – Talana Anderson
- No new additions have been made to the book
- Social – Kelsey Wimmer
- Not present
- Reported by Misty Brown – There will be a May wine social at Jeanne Smith's new house. Please bring a spouse or guest.
- Scholarship – Rebeca Gonzalez
- Not present

No new scholarship news

**Speaker**

Karanae Berry introduced the speaker: Evelyn Dyson Lee with the IRS. Topic: Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 Tax provisions

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Misty Brown at 1 p.m. Our next meeting will be at the Petroleum Club. (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)

**Submitted**

Submitted by Erin Ferreira

**Other Local Chapters**

**DFW-Mid Cities** (Chapter 113)

Dinner Meeting

Meet 2nd Thursday

The Texas Star

(No meetings in Feb & Jul)

Reservations: Leila Khoury

(817) 571-5126

**Dallas**

Dinner Meeting

**Save The Date**

2011

**Joint National Conference**

October 24-26, 2011

**Charlotte, North Carolina**

**JNC at a Glance:**

<http://awscpa.org/>

Notifications

- Don't Forget To Buy your ASWA Chapter Wine Glass! Only \$12
- Look for our Monthly Member Spotlight Coming soon.

**2010 – 2011  
Officers & Directors**

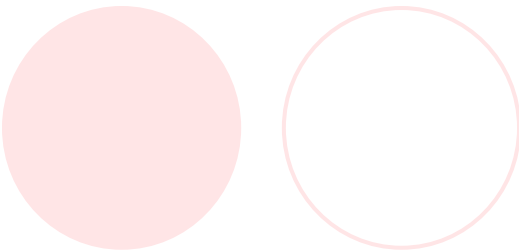
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Misty Brown — President  
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