

ASWA Orange County Chapter Newsletter

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The mission of ASWA 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.

President's Message

Millie Culpepper



Is your business looking for a great way to get your name out in front of numerous accountants and CPAs? Are you looking for a way to give back to the community? Do you want to network with other accounting professionals and high ranked students from Orange and LA Counties? Then you need to become a sponsor of this year's ASWA Student Night and Scholarship Awards Dinner! This event will be held on November 28, 2012 at 5:30 PM at the Doubletree Hotel in Santa Ana. Companies and individuals can sponsor a table at this event and receive multiple forms of advertising for only \$600. You may also sponsor a scholarship in any increment of \$500 that will go directly to a student. If you are interested in being involved as a sponsor or just to attend the event, please visit our website at www.aswaoc.org or contact Kristina Diaz at vp.special.events@aswaoc.org.

Students -- it's not too late to apply:

[Click here for our online application](#)

Application Deadline is November 9, 2012

We will be awarding the following scholarships:

One \$2,000 scholarship for a 4-year college or university student and one \$500 scholarship to a part-time or community college student. ASWA encourages both women and men to apply for our scholarships.

I will be excited to meet the two well-deserving student winners receive their scholarship awards at the November dinner. As a reminder, all accounting and finance students are invited to attend for free.

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National News

At this year's 2012 Annual Conference for Accounting and Financial Women held in San Diego, chapters voted in favor of the bylaws amendment to Amend Article I to change our name to "**Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance**" and retain wording acknowledging the association was organized as the "American Society of Women Accountants" and allow continued use of the name for legal and tax purposes.



Please join our LinkedIn group

Connect and network online with other professionals, start discussions and more! [Click here to view our group profile.](#)

For additional ASWA networking click links below:

[Face Book](#), [Linked In](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [Blog](#)

Student Scholarship Awards Dinner
November 28, 2012
Doubletree Hotel, Santa Ana

Join us for an evening with guest speaker
Glen Fowler from the California State Auditor's
Office

Last year's scholarship recipients



Wednesday, November 28, 2012
6:00pm to 8:30pm
Registration at 5:30pm
Doubletree Hotel
201 East MacArthur Blvd
Santa Ana, CA 92707

Salad: Mixed Green Salad with Cucumbers
Main Dish: Lemon Thyme Chicken Breast with Rice Pilaf
Side Dish: Seasoned Vegetables
Dessert: Carrot Cake

Three convenient ways to register:

Online: [Via PayPal](#)
Email: Contact reservations@aswaoc.org

Phone: ASWA voice mail at 949-862-0777
Please RSVP by noon Monday November 26
Members: \$45 / Non-Members: \$55

Remember the struggles of trying to get through college...the dorm rooms, the bad food, the partying, and the new language called "accounting" with its debits and credits. Or maybe it was trying to

work or raise kids while taking classes. Whatever your experience was, wouldn't an extra \$2,000 have been fantastic! The members of the Orange County Chapter of ASWA remember the challenges of getting that accounting degree and then getting that first accounting job. ASWA is here to help at all stages of an accountant's career, but for those who are starting out and taking those first steps into the field of accounting, we want to tell you about our scholarship program.

ASWA will help four hard-working students by providing the following scholarships:

- One scholarship for \$2,000 to any full-time student enrolled in a 4-year college or university in the Fall 2012 semester/quarter with a major or emphasis in accounting.
- One scholarship for \$500 to any part-time or community college student enrolled in the Fall 2012 semester/quarter with a major or emphasis in accounting that has completed at least 12 units in business administration classes.

The scholarship application deadline is November 9th, 2012. If you are or know of someone interested in applying, either go to www.aswaoc.org/scholarships or contact Kristina Diaz at scholarships@aswaoc.org

ASWA is reaching out to over 20 colleges and universities in Southern California, both public and private. Recipients will be honored at the November 28, 2012 ASWA monthly meeting. This is a great opportunity to come and support the next generation of accountants.

For the evening, we are excited to present our speaker, expert Glen Fowler from the California State Auditor's Office. The evening's presentation will be:

The California State Auditor's Role in Improving Government Effectiveness and Efficiency.

Even if you are further along in your career, what a great opportunity to hear what's the State Auditor's Office is working on. Come learn how you too can make a difference and what it takes to become a California State Auditor.

Sponsorships are available. Please reach out to Kristina Diaz directly if interested. Since your dollars can be allocated to our student scholarship fund, you may be interested in sponsoring students to sit at your table. You may want to invite students who you are already in the process of recruiting or we can introduce you to students who would appreciate attending the event and learning more about your organization by joining you at your table. For more information visit our website at www.aswaoc.org or contact Kristina Diaz at vp.special.events@aswaoc.org

Corporate Sponsors for the Event:

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Irene Mack, CPA

Millie Culpepper

Ann Marie Broderick, CPA



Glen Fowler's Biography

Glen Fowler is the Recruiting and Training Manager with the California State Auditor's Office. As the Recruiting Manager, Glen's responsibilities include: developing and implementing a recruiting strategy, managing the interview processes, and hiring new employees. As the Training Manager, Glen's responsibilities include: developing and implementing a Training Plan, coordinating with in-house instructors and contracting with vendors to conduct training, ensuring that all audit and investigative staff meet continuing education standards, and overseeing the office's Career Mentoring and Peer Mentoring programs.

Glen was the recipient of the "State Auditor's Award" in 2002, the "Team Player Award" in 2006, and the "Best Place to Launch a Career Award" in 2007. Glen served as President for the Mountain Pacific Association of Colleges and Employers (MPACE) with his term ending June 2011. Currently, he serves on the National State Auditors Association's (NSAA) Human Resources and Training Committees, and the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) Honors and Awards Committee.

Prior to assuming the recruiting and training responsibilities, Glen worked in the State Auditor's executive office as an Executive Management Specialist. In this position his responsibilities included: managing aspects of the office's information technology activities; assisting with policy development; developing and administering quality control; performing legislative, bill, and audit analyses; conducting internal audits; developing and delivering training classes for staff and management; and completing other operations related assignments.

Glen received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1986, and his Masters Degree from California State University, Sacramento, in 1989. Glen joined the Bureau of State Audits, previously the Office of the Auditor General, in 1989 as a Performance Auditor.

Glen left the office in 1992 to work as an internal auditor for the Employment Development Department. At the EDD, Glen assisted in audits, performed risk analyses, developed and implemented performance measures, supervised external audit coordination, completed bill analyses, and conducted the Department's first All Employee Satisfaction Survey. After several years, Glen returned to the Bureau of State Audits as an Executive Management Specialist.

ASWA Annual Conference Pics & Awards

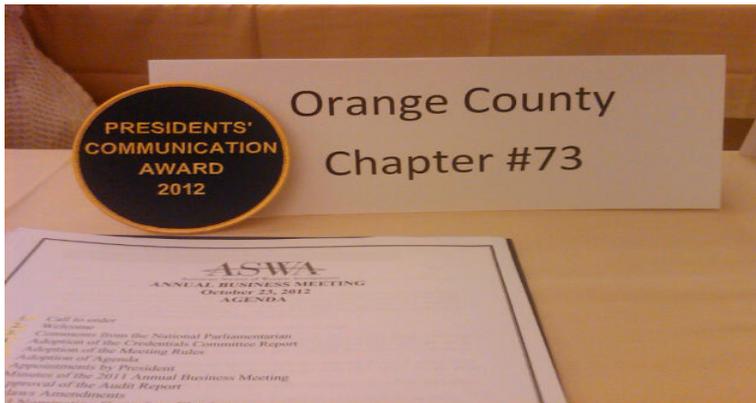
Was held October 22-24, 2012

Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina



Annual Business Meeting our chapter delegates and attendees: Dolores Lara, Lorraine Shoun, Millie Culpepper, Irene Mack and Barbara Steelman

Our chapter awarded Presidents' Communication Award for 2012 for our Website.





Holiday Party-Save the Date
December 13, 2012
Prego Ristorante-Irvine

by: [Kristina Diaz](#)

Let the warmth of friendship take the chill from the air and the spirit of the season make winter easier to bear. We cordially invite you to our annual Holiday Party, Thursday - December 13th from 6:00pm - 9:00 pm at Prego Ristorante located in Irvine, CA.

Prego has all that one could wish for in a fine Italian restaurant: an elegant, yet comfortable atmosphere, attentive service and cuisine that strikes the perfect balance between traditional authenticity and innovative preparations. It's the perfect setting in which to enjoy good conversation and feast on the best cuisine that Italy has to offer.

ALPFA Women & Wealth

November 14, 2012

Orange Hill Restaurant

Kristina Diaz

Come join ALPFA for a lunch and learn from 11 am to 1:30 pm with guest speakers from Johnson & Johnson, New York Life, Boeing, and Robert Half International.

RSVP at: alpfa2012woa2.eventbrite.com

Women & Wealth
Creating Financial Independence and Wellness

Featuring Guest Speakers From:
Johnson & Johnson *BOEING* Robert Half International

Women of ALPFA
In partnership with *Goldman Sachs*

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Orange Hill Restaurant
6410 E. Chapman Ave., Orange, CA 92869
November 14, 2012 | 11:00am - 1:30pm
520 members | \$35 non-members

Orange County Chapter Visit us at orangecounty.alpfa.org

ASWA OC Member of the Year Honored at NAWBO Remarkable Women Event

Adriana Estrada



Each year, the ASWA OC Chapter partakes in honoring our Member of the Year as a participating women's organization with the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO). The October 16th Remarkable Women event was an elegant and inspiring evening as we listened to the remarkable stories of NAWBO's honorees. Within a room of more than 500 attendees, we had an ASWA table coming together to honor our own Remarkable Woman, Millie Culpepper. NAWBO recognized three top women business owners for Orange County, as well as women from each of the participating organizations.

As ASWA's Chapter President, Millie was selected by her peers and fellow chapter members for her hard work and accomplishments during the past year. Millie joined ASWA in 2004 and has held several roles of responsibility on the Board of Directors over the past 8 years. She continues to serve as ASWA's Chapter President and also holds the title of Regional Director for four additional ASWA chapters. Millie has volunteered her time as a Regional Conference Consultant as well. Congratulations, Millie, and thank you for your wonderful contributions to our chapter.

October Opportunity Drawing Winners

Kristina Diaz

Congratulations to Last Month's Opportunity Drawing Winners!

Wendy Nobles won a \$25 Macy's gift card graciously donated by Maria Beechan
Millie Culpepper won a \$25 Yardhouse gift card.

All of the proceeds from our monthly Opportunity Drawings go towards funding our student scholarships.

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