



April 2023

Ames Chapter #158

# THE SPOKESWOMAN

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### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance is to enable women in all accounting and finance fields to achieve their full potential and to contribute to their profession

### MEETING INFORMATION

#### Fraud Fighters

Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Time: 5:30 p.m. Networking

6:00 p.m. Program

7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

Location: Old Chicago

1610 S Kellogg Ave

Ames, IA

**Presenter:** Doni Sheldon, Central Iowa RSVP, Marshall County

**Presenter Bio:** The Iowa Division of Insurance (IDI) has partnered with Central Iowa RSVP to inform the public about frequent fraud and scams. RSVP volunteers have been trained by the IDI to present findings and cases in the community, assisting to fight fraud across Iowa.

Doni Sheldon is a volunteer with Central Iowa RSVP, Marshall County.

#### Learning Objectives & Program Content:

Fraud is an increasing issue to individuals and businesses. Doni Sheldon will discuss actual fraud cases from Iowa. Additionally, Doni will help arm AFWA members with valuable information and resources to shield savings from scammers and fraudulent investments.

**Field of Study:** Management

**Program Level:** Basic

**Program Prerequisites/Advance**

**Preparation:** None

**Instructional Delivery Method:** Group Live

**Recommended Amount of CPE Credit:** 1 credit hour

**Administrative Policies:** Please respond to the Evite by Monday, April 10th.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I love April and Spring, a time for refresh and growth. Speaking of growth, I signed up for the AFWA Connect Advance Lead online conference in June. I was surprised to find out that I received a complimentary registration to share with a non-member (mentee). A young lady in my department was thankful for the opportunity to attend as well. I wanted to point this out in case you



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hadn't noticed. It's a great opportunity to share the chance to attend with someone. Have a great April! Stop and smell the flowers.

I'm not going to be able to make it to our April meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup>. I'll make sure someone is able to take my place.

Carla

## APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum (30% of 16 active members=5)
3. Approval of Minutes – March 2023
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Old Business
6. Committee Reports
  - a. Membership/Publicity
  - b. Programs
  - c. Scholarship
  - d. Newsletter
  - e. Webmaster
7. New Business
8. Announcements
9. Adjournment

## MARCH MEETING MINUTES

Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance  
Ames Chapter #158  
Membership Meeting  
March 7, 2023

### **Call to Order:**

The March Membership Meeting of the Ames Chapter #158 was called to order by President Carla Danielson at 7:50p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at Old Chicago in Ames, Iowa. Those in attendance were members Cheryl Carlile, Carla Danielson, Karen Jacobson, Kate Mulder, Margaret Munson(virtual), Lisa Palmersheim, Kayla Sander, Cindy Sippel, and Jenny Sturgill as well as guest Eleanor Braksiek, a scholarship recipient. A quorum was present.

### **Minutes**

Kate Mulder moved and Cheryl Carlile seconded approval of the February minutes as printed in the bulletin. Motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Report and Budget:**

Cheryl Carlile presented the February Treasurer's Report. After payment of \$70.53 for speaker and scholarship recipient meals, the balance in the general account is \$5,025.40. A donation of \$900 was received for the Wandling Scholarship fund and a \$4.24 service charge was incurred, bringing the balance in the scholarship account to \$3,039.42, of which \$2,100 is restricted for



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the Strum Scholarship. The financial statements will be placed on file for chapter inspection.

### **Old Business:**

None.

### **Committee Reports**

**Membership/Publicity** – The committee has reached out to attendees at the November Lunch and Learn and is hoping for replies.

**Programs** – The programs for the rest of the year (except May) are posted on the website. The April meeting will be on Tuesday, April 11 at Old Chicago. The Fraud Fighters program will be presented by Central Iowa RSVP.

**Scholarship** - Three of the scholarship winners were presented their certificates before the meeting tonight. The chapter is pleased that all the scholarship recipients were able to join us at either the February or March meetings. We discussed the need to replenish the scholarship funds

**Newsletter** - No report

**Webmaster** - No report

### **New Business:**

**Chapter Dues:** Cheryl Carlile made and Karen Jacobson seconded a motion that Chapter Dues for 2023-2024 remain the same as 2022-2023: Regular/affiliate -- \$25;

Associate/Student -- \$10; Retired -- \$10; and Emeritus -- \$0. Motion carried.

### **Nominating Committee:**

Cheryl Carlile and Karen Jacobson reported they were looking for someone to serve as vice president for next year. Lisa Palmersheim said she would serve as vice president, as she would be unable to serve as president. Carla Danielson agreed to serve a second term as president. The following is the slate of officers for the upcoming chapter year: President: Carla Danielson; Vice President: Lisa Palmersheim; Secretary: Cindy Sippel; Treasurer: Cheryl Carlile; Programs: Jenny Sturgill and Kayla Sander; Program Coordinator: Ann Kurtenbach; Bulletin: Margaret Munson; Scholarship: Jan Duffy, Cindy Sippel, Cheryl Carlile; Membership/Publicity: Kate Mulder; and Past President: Cheryl Carlile.

### **Announcements:**

**Chapter Networking Lunch:** The April networking lunch may be rescheduled for a new day and location since the regular meetings are now at Old Chicago. Watch for more details and updates.

**Connect.Advance.Lead virtual conference:** This AFWA National Conference will be held virtually June 15-16. Registration is available now.



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Women Who Count Conference: The National conference will be October 25-27, 2023, in Reno NV.

CPE: See the National website for free CPE opportunities.

### Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Munson  
Secretary

### 2023-2024 PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS

President: Carla Danielson

Vice President: Lisa Palmersheim

Secretary: Cindy Sippel

Treasurer: Cheryl Carlile

Programs: Jenny Sturgill / Kayla Sander

Program Coordinator: Ann Kurtenbach

Bulletin: Margaret Munson

Scholarship: Jan Duffy, Cindy Sippel,  
Cheryl Carlile

Membership/Publicity: Kate Mulder

Past President: Cheryl Carlile

Nominating Committee Chair: Cheryl Carlile

### NETWORKING LUNCH SCHEDULE

Date	Restaurant	Location
4/25/2023	Old Chicago	1610 S Kellogg Ave, Ames
5/25/2023	Brick City Grill	2640 Stange Rd, Ames
6/28/2023	Provisions Lot F	2400 N Loop Dr, Ames

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Membership & Publicity: Kate Mulder, Chair  
Jan Duffy



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## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"The key to success is to start before you are ready."*

-- Marie Forleo

Articles and submissions to the newsletter are welcome. Please contact [bulletin@amesafwa.org](mailto:bulletin@amesafwa.org)