

AFWA Orange County Chapter Newsletter

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Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance
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Orange County Chapter

The mission of AFWA 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.

AFWA Networking Mixer March 19th



The first 20 people to Pre-Pay RSVP by Monday, 3/16/2015 will be entered to a drawing for FREE attendance to our April's Fun Event!

**Thursday, March 19th, 2015
Social/Mixer 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

Ten Asian Bistro
4647 MacArthur Blvd
Newport Beach, CA 92660
Ph: 949.660.1010

Have you wanted a chance to talk to another member or guest, get to know them better and get their contact information? Now is your chance at our March 19th Social/Mixer.

We're going to be playing a Speed Networking game that will give you a chance to meet and interact with other members and guests. Be sure to bring lots of business cards to share during our Speed Networking game. Don't miss out on this great networking opportunity!

Note: If you don't want to participate in the Networking event-that's ok just sit out the game and enjoy the fun!

Pre-pay by PayPal at www.afwaoc.org
\$15 AFWA Members, \$20 Guests, \$25 Member + one Guest
Includes appetizers, drink on your own at Happy Hour prices!

RSVP: networking@afwaoc.org or contact Kristina Diaz at 714.726.0775

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Upcoming Events

2/27/15 11:30am
CSUF Mock Interviews
SGMH Grand Foyer

3/19/2015 5:30pm
Speed Networking
Ten Asian Bistro

4/16/2015
After Tax Fun
TBD

05/21/2015 5:30pm
Networking Mixer
TBD

6/24/2015 5:30pm
Installation Dinner
Holiday Inn
Santa Ana

[Visit our chapter website for more details](#)

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Guest Business Card Drawing Donated by AFWA-OC (\$40 value)

Opportunity prize drawings:
Tickets sold at 2/\$5, 6/\$10, 15/\$20
Proceeds support our scholarship fund.

If you or your company would like to donate a bottle of wine, a gift certificate or other items to be used for our Opportunity Drawing to raise money for our Scholarship Fund, please contact Sandra Maldonado at opportunity.drawings@afwaoc.org.



President's Message



February, we thought it was a great time to give you a post-holiday break. So please join us on Wednesday, February 18th for a Non-Meeting to be held on your couch, or at your gym, or at a table for two with a view of the water. Take the night off on us. But in return, we hope you will tuck your 100% deductible \$25 meal fee in support of our scholarship fund by using PayPal. Visit our website at www.afwaoc.org.

Leadership Positions:

We are calling on you to seriously think about Officer or Committee Chair positions for next year. We have numerous Board and Chair positions to fill; please give critical and creative thought to how we can ensure these functions are met for our organization. The vacancies listed are for the upcoming 2015-2016 year, which begins July 1, 2015, and need to be filled by April.

Officers' Vacancies

VP of Membership
VP of Special Events
VP of Communication
Recording Secretary

Committee Chairs

Newsletter
Programs
Marketing
Scholarship
Employment Opportunities
Hotel Liaison
Opportunity Drawings
CPE Certification

Position descriptions will be sent to you upon request. When you think about a position, consider a two year commitment. A three year commitment is most welcome, although even one year is helpful! Please think of any suggestions as to who might be able to fill these positions, and if you yourself would be willing to take a position. In either case, please send an e-mail to me at president@afwaoc.org.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Millie Culpepper
President

Mock Interviews

CSUF ACCOUNTING SOCIETY & BETA ALPHA PSI CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO MOCK INTERVIEWS

SPRING 2015
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON
800 N State College Blvd., Fullerton, CA 92831

AFWA Members, you must RSVP by 11:00PM, Thursday, February 12, 2015
By [signing up here](#).

Date: Friday, February 27, 2015
Location: SGMH Grand Foyer

Help students learn what to expect at a job interview, as well as how to improve their self presentation!

Schedule of Events:

Reception & Lunch 11:30am-12:45pm (Lunch is not mandatory, but we ask that you please check in with reception no later than 12:30pm)
Preparations 12:45pm-1:00pm
Interviews 1:00pm-5:00pm

Parking Information Eastside Parking Structure
(Right onto Folino Drive) Parking permits will be provided!

** Students will be waiting by the elevators to escort you to the reception area **

Contact Information
mockinterviews@csufas.org
Katherine Diep, Kimberly Doan, Isaac Gutierrez, Sarah Nguyen

Opportunity Drawing

Gina Webber

Congratulations to the winners of the prizes from our monthly Opportunity Drawing that benefits our chapter's Student Scholarship program:

Ann Marie Broderick won a \$25 Gift Certificate to Barnes and Noble.

Ruth Zakowski won 2 tickets to Bowers Museum.

The Guest Drawing for a complimentary admission to our next event was won by **Shawna Ludes**.

Thank you all for your support during the January 21, 2015 Dinner Meeting!
100% of the proceeds from our monthly Opportunity Drawings go toward funding our annual scholarship awards. AFWA Orange County Chapter's Scholarship Fund is a 501(c)(3) charity which directly supports accounting and financial students in Orange County.

DONATIONS NEEDED!

We are in need of donations to continue our monthly Opportunity Drawing. Please consider donating a gift card, or whatever you'd like to see in the Opportunity Drawing! Please contact Sandra Maldonado at opportunity.drawings@afwaoc.org or visit AFWA-OC website

Membership Corner

Lily Gidcumb

Do you know Accountants and Financial Personnel who are not members of AFWA?

This is what you should share with them:

By joining the Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance (AFWA), you can strengthen your professional growth. AFWA offers networking and continuing education with accounting and finance professionals at the local, regional and national levels. Our members communicate both virtually and in-person through online, national and regional conferences, and chapter meetings.

Benefits of Membership

The following is a list of current benefits enjoyed by members:

- *Leadership potential and organizational skills can be developed as an active member.
- *Networking opportunities to meet and exchange ideas with other professional women.
- *CPE Credits for attendance at monthly dinner meetings, seminars, technical sessions at regional and national meetings.
- *Speaking and writing development through chapter activities.
- *Community service as leader in workshops, scholarships and awards, individual and chapter involvement in the community.
- * Subscription to Accountability e-newsletter
- * Discounted membership to the Institute for Management Accountants (IMA)
- * Discounted products and services through affiliation agreements (CPA review courses, CCH tax & accounting books, Long Term Care insurance and Bank of America credit card.)

For membership application and membership fees, click on this link [member application](#)

If you know of an accountant who is not a member, please tell them about us! Have them go to www.afwaoc.org. Click on the green button at the right side of the page that says Join AFWA.

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