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**MEMBERSHIP MEETING
1 Hour CPE
March 23, 2004**

Topic: The Wise One and the Giant:
Managing Employee Stress, Conflict
and Performance

Speaker: Paul Feiler, Ph.D. (see page 5 for bio)
Prerequisite None Required
Course Level: Basic

Method: Discussion with Outlines Provided
Administrative Policy: Per ASWA standing
rules, if you register and do not attend you will be
charged the \$25.

Where: The Briar Club
2603 Timmons Lane
(corner of Westheimer and Timmons Lane)

Parking is available in the member parking area
across the street from the Briar Club

Time: 5:30 p.m. Networking
6:15 p.m. Dinner
7:00 p.m. Speaker

Official National Registry Statement

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State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor
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150 Fourth Avenue, Nashville, TN 37219-2417.
Telephone 615-220-4200. Web site: www.nsba.org

Meeting Prices

- \$25 Members with reservations
- \$30 Members who do not make reservations
- \$30 Guests
- \$15 CPE only (no dinner)

**RSVP by 3/18/04 to Judy McMillian at:
713-529-9871 (H)
rhart96@aol.com**

The Chapter will bill for reservations that are not cancelled
prior to the meeting.

The chapter meets on the 4th Tuesday of each
month except December (holiday party) and May
(annual luncheon).

**Reservations need to be made by the Thursday
preceding the meeting. Special dietary re-
quests available on request.**

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ANNUAL PUBLIC RELATION LUNCHEON

May 18, 2004

The annual public relation/scholarship luncheon will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2004. Our speaker for the luncheon will be Rachel Seff Koenig, Ed.D. The topic of discussion will be "Choose Your Attitude." The meeting will be held at the Post Oak Grill, 1415 South Post Oak Lane, Houston, TX 77056. Networking and check-in begins at 11:30 with lunch served at 12.

Reservations are necessary and must be made by Friday, May 7, 2004. The price is \$30 per person with a choice of entrees upon arrival. Also, the chapter will bill for reservations made but not cancelled by Friday, May 7, 2004.

Rachel Koenig is the National Manager of Recruiting and Development for Consolidated Graphics, the largest commercial printing company in the United States. She directs college recruiting, training and development, and leadership and succession planning for this \$780M public company with 66 business units in 25 states.

A Yankee by birth and a Texan by choice, Rachel received her undergraduate degree from George Washington University and her Master's Degree from Texas A&M University. She completed her doctorate in Educational Leadership at the University of Houston in 2001.

She is well known to the academic and corporate community having served as the Director of Career Services at the University of Houston College of Business Administration and the Coordinator of Career Services for the University of Houston Law Center. She has also directed admissions and marketing for the Rice University MBA Program.

"Dr. Rachel" has fifteen years of experience in human capital planning, both at the individual and corporate level and is the co-author of "60 Minutes to Success: The Ultimate Guide to Power Lunching."

In order to make this public relations and scholarship luncheon a success, I ask that each of you invite at least two colleagues, friends or family members that are interested or involved in accounting to attend this function.

I have attached a letter so that all you need to do is address it, sign it and mail it. If you only get the newsletter by US Postal Service and would like to receive a copy of the letter electronically, please email me at awhite@collectordart.com.

**Ann White
President-Elect**

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
Ellie Moore

We are the Houston Chapter of a national organization called the American Society of Women Accountants. Nationally, we have thousands of members. Locally, we are under 75. I would say one third of our members are active, which is a good percentage. But, it would be so wonderful if everyone were active. The potential for our chapter to continue to grow is unlimited. We are the only ones stopping us.

As the nominating committee starts making calls asking you to serve, please give it a lot of consideration. We need you to be active to keep our chapter growing. The membership committee has developed some cards to send out. We will have them at our meetings, so feel free to sign some, pick some up, or let us know who we need to mail one to.

Mark your calendar now for our Annual Scholarship Luncheon. This is the perfect opportunity to bring a friend, co-worker, your employer, etc. Let people see who we are, what we do, and how our mission serves others for the benefit of our industry.

We also have a community service project scheduled in April. This is a great way to help others and enjoy the company of your fellow members. It is not hard, does not take up too much of your time, but does leave you with a wonderful memory.

Be sure to check out our calendar of events and plan to attend. See you at the meeting.

SPEAKER PROFILE
PAUL FEILER, PH.D.

Paul Feiler has over twenty years of diverse professional experience in the field of Strategy and Human Capital Management with specialization in the areas of strategy and change management, executive development, dispute resolution, negotiation and workplace communication. Dr. Feiler has consistently demonstrated the ability to develop and implement strategic initiatives that solve problems, generate quality and stimulate corporate growth. He has an outstanding record of accomplishment that has resulted in increased profitability by maximizing employee productivity, efficiency and morale. He possesses a unique blend of excellent leadership, communication, decision-making and conflict resolution skills.

As the National Director of Strategy and Human Capital Solutions with Centerprise Advisors and as an Executive Professor at the Bauer College of Business of the University of Houston, Dr. Feiler has provided strategic planning, consulting services, training and coaching for businesses, universities, government institutions, non-profits and churches throughout the country.

He has negotiated in diverse environments and mediated numerous complex disputes in pre-litigation and court-ordered settings, which produced agreements in business, employer-employee, harassment, civil and ecclesiastical cases.

Dr. Feiler has authored over 25 workbooks in the areas of managerial effectiveness, business conduct and personal effectiveness, which are used in businesses across the U.S. He has developed a curriculum for elementary school children in dispute resolution that is now used throughout Texas and has published articles several business anthologies and journals.

Dr. Feiler holds a Ph.D. from Princeton, where he taught for four years. He is a graduate of Wheaton College and Bethel Theological Seminary. He also holds the Graduate Certificate in Dispute Resolution from the University of Houston, College of Business Administration. He currently serves as a Trustee for the Texas Association of Mediators. He is on the Board of Directors/Trustees for several other professional and charitable organizations.

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www.fhpw.org	
ASWA Delegates:	ASWA Alternates:
Melanie Norton	Pam Ahlers
Kathryn Pearce	Ellie Moore

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

This year’s nominating committee is comprised of Colene Blankinship, chair, Eileen Neucere, and Deborah McKenney.

If you are interested in serving on the board of the Houston Chapter of ASWA, please contact them. Serving on the board as an officer or director is a great way to develop your leadership skills. These skills are “job transferable” and will make you a valuable asset not only to ASWA but also to the company you work for.

For more information about serving on the board or to volunteer, contact one of the nominating committee members. Contact information or Colene Blankinship and Eileen Neucere can be found on page 2 of this newsletter. Deborah McKenney’s email: dmckenney@immucor.com

REMEMBER: This is your organization.

Houston Chapter ASWA MEMORIAL FUND

One way that we fulfill our mission is through the awarding of scholarships to deserving accounting students.

These scholarships are presented each year at our annual luncheon. The recipients are students that have shown dedication and outstanding academic achievement. The financial assistance we provide is recognition of their efforts and achievements.

We are able to make these awards thanks to the generous contributions of our members, friends and supporters. Through your contribution to the Memorial Fund, you are personally contributing to the future development of the accounting profession.

Please consider making a contribution to honor friends and loved ones. Your gift does make a difference.



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