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It is with mixed emotions that we write this editorial for *The Woman CPA* informing you that the American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Society of Women Accountants have decided to suspend publication of TWCPA.

During this suspension, a reevaluation of the purpose, format and financial feasibility of continuing *The Woman CPA* will take place. ASWA will then determine whether to resume publication based on the cost/benefit to its membership.

Begun in December 1937 as AWSCPA's membership bulletin, TWCPA became a professional and scholarly journal in 1950 under a memorandum of understanding between AWSCPA and ASWA. It has served the two societies very well.

As a scholarly journal TWCPA has provided opportunities for members of both ASWA and AWSCPA to serve as editors and members of the editorial board – important activities to the career progression of women faculty members. Here was the opportunity for members to publish their papers. More recently, research results on how women are perceived and accepted in the accounting profession and actual comparisons of women's accomplishments and rewards with those of men in accounting have been forums of discussion.

Over more than half a century, the publication has seen many changes. The business environment has changed, the nature of the accounting profession has changed, both organizations have changed, and the needs of the members have greatly changed. AWSCPA and ASWA believe now is the time for reevaluation.

We thank the staff of TWCPA for their dedication and loyalty and the many contributors for their enlightenment on countless topics. While we are saddened by the end of a long tradition that ASWA and AWSCPA have shared in TWCPA, we are at the same time proud of the achievement of providing opportunities to our members by our 53 years of publishing *The Woman CPA*.



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Back copies of The Woman CPA are available for \$3.00 per copy. These may be obtained from AWSCPA in Chicago or ASWA in Memphis.