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AFWA Women Who Count Awards Announced

LEXINGTON, KY (November 3, 2023): The Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance (AFWA) announced their Women Who Count Award recipients at their annual Signature Awards Event at the 2023 Women Who Count Conference in Reno, NV on Thursday, October 26, 2023. The Signature Event is a formal event that recognizes individual leaders and chapters within AFWA. A night celebrated with dinner, cocktails, entertainment, and awards. The Women Who Count Awards, Chapter Achievement Awards, and the President's Award were each recognized at the 2023 Signature Event in Reno, NV on Thursday, October 26, 2023.

The Women Who Count Award recipients are as follows:

Emerging Leader - Kimberly Pace, from LBMC, PC – Chattanooga Chapter
Industry Professional - Olivia Brinker, Merrill Lynch, The Bohn, Brinker, Floberg, Gleason Group – Virtual Chapter
Public Practice - Kelly Salter, KPMG – D.C. Chapter
Small Business - Wendi Hall, DBHW Wealth Partners – Milwaukee Chapter
Academic Award - Liesel Mitchell, Assistant Professor at Illinois State University
AFWA Leadership Award - Christie Jordan, Chattanooga Chapter
Excellent Student - Natalie Starkey, Illinois State University

The **Chapter Achievement Awards** were also announced for Membership, Communications, Programming, Scholarship, and Public Services.

Membership - Chicago Chapter
Communications - Chattanooga Chapter
Programming - Illinois State University Chapter
Scholarship - Denver Chapter
Public Service - Philadelphia Chapter.

AFWA President's Award was awarded by Past President, Wendi Christian to Grace Staten, Coastal Wealth

Executive Director, Cindy Stanley stated, "We are so honored to recognize these outstanding Women and Chapters of AFWA. It has been wonderful to see the growth of

our organization and the strides we are making. Each of these award recipients have made a difference and continue to demonstrate their leadership capabilities. Congratulations to all our award recipients. Their dedication to AFWA is important to the success of the organization.”

About Accounting & Financial Women’s Alliance

Founded in 1938, AFWA promotes the professional growth of women and provides women in accounting and finance the leadership, education and networking opportunities needed to achieve their career goals. Members of the association benefit from opportunities to connect with colleagues, advance their careers, and become industry leaders. The organization’s mission 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.

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