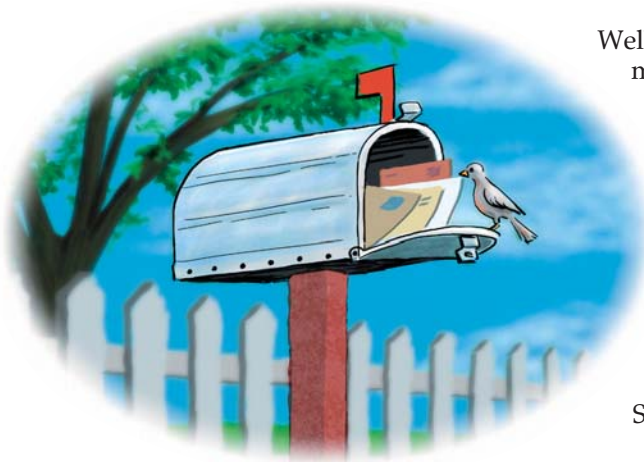


Mail Box



Well, I just thought I'd share my experience with you. I'm sure you hear stories like this everyday. Keep up the good work, your web site is very informative and inspirational, and I am going to join AASP, as soon as I can come up with ten spare bucks (pathetic, huh?)

Sincerely,
C. C.

Peeved by Workplace Bias

I am a contractor at a site in San Francisco and have a blatant example of discrimination to present to you - prepare to get really mad.

I recently accepted a contract position with a big corporation through a consulting group. When I took the position I was told I had two options: I could

relocate and get \$2,000 relocation reimbursed and a \$3,000 cash advance paid back in three payments or I could commute and get a small per diem. I elected to relocate, and moved from Kansas City to California in August 2001. When I got here, I found that everyone else who works for the consulting group was not only commuting, but had been provided with an apartment, a car, a large per diem, flights home, and other perks that were not even offered to me.

When I asked why, the president of my company said it was because I was single and didn't have a mortgage.

I have fine references as a programmer, and I am a very good worker. Why should I be compensated to a lesser degree because of my marital status? In fact, I discovered that marital status is protected by law in both California, and the consulting group's home state of New York. I think I should prepare a lawsuit, but ironically, I don't get paid enough to afford it! I'm very depressed.

Not Lonely in Arkansas

Thanks for a great newsletter. You are doing wonderful and needed work for us here in America!!! I am a new member, but I value what you are doing as a single person living in a so-called nuclear family society. There is NOTHING lonely about being single. Way to go!!! Keep up the good work.

Aspasia
Arkansas

Congressman Praises AASP



Thank you for sending me information about the American Association for Single People. As your letter mentioned, the district I represent is home to a large number of single and unmarried constituents. I appreciate knowing that your organization will be advocating on behalf of their interest, and look forward to staying in touch with you on issues of concern.

Rep. Henry Waxman
California

Likes Honorary Member List

I am a committed single young man living in Georgia. I am an activist for equality, a collage artist, musician and columnist for a national magazine. I have also appeared in USA Today which is where I learned about AASP.

When I saw your website, I was impressed with your list of honorary members - especially Steve May. I have corresponded with him on several occasions and found him to be one of the finest human beings in American politics. Actually, he should be President.

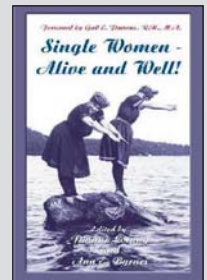
Thank You.
S.S.J.

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New Book Author Members



L. Joan Allen and
Marc Kusnitz, Ph.D.,
co-authors of
*Celebrating Single and
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Dianne Lorang, co-editor of
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