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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear AGA – Central Ohio Chapter Members:

Welcome to the 2023-2024 Program Year for the Central Ohio Chapter of AGA! I am honored to be serving as your chapter president this year. I want to thank our education committee for all their hard work in putting together another exciting schedule of educational sessions for this program year to offer our members. I hope that all members take advantage of these great opportunities for development.

Our 39th annual two-day Professional Development Training (PDT) was held earlier than normal this year on Tuesday September 19th and Wednesday September 20th. This was our first all in person conference since 2019 with 165 people registered. Attendees earned up to 16 hours of CPE. The PDT featured nationally known speakers and current topics designed to educate and inform on both technical and social skills. I'd like to thank those who attended and hope you enjoyed the conference. I hope you can make it back next fall for our 40th annual PDT conference on dates to be determined later. If you were unable to attend the conference this year, I hope you consider attending next year when we have an agenda and brochure available for you to review. Kinney Poynter, Executive Director for the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers, and Treasurers (NASACT) was unable to speak at our PDT Conference this year; however, he will be presenting a virtual training session on Tuesday October 17 at 2:00 p.m. worth 1.5 CPEs entitled Emerging Issues in Government Accounting and Auditing. If you haven't already registered for this session, please consider joining us for this always interesting and informative session. Details and registration link are available on our website [AGA Central Ohio Chapter \(agacgfm.org\)](https://www.agacgfm.org). This webinar is free for AGA members and only \$20 for non-members.

I would like to personally welcome our new members. We've had close to 30 new members join since July. Our chapter's goals are to continue to provide relevant quality education, foster professional development and certification, and support standards and research to advance government accountability to our members from both the public and private sectors. Our chapter also supports the AGA Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) certification, which is nationally recognized as one of the most respected certifications for those who work in Federal, State, or Local government.

We look forward to making this program year a success just like we have in years past. The Central Ohio AGA received the platinum award for this past program year once again from National AGA and I would like to thank the great group of volunteers who are on the Executive and Education Committees. If you are interested in volunteering and would to help provide value to your fellow COAGA members and gain leadership experience while building professional relationships, please reach out and inquire about becoming a chair on the Executive or Education Committees! Please feel free to contact us at executive.coaga@gmail.com with any questions or suggestions for future training topics.

Keep up to date with what's going on with Central Ohio AGA via our website, LinkedIn, or Facebook.



Richard L. Cunningham, Jr.

2023-2024 Central Ohio AGA President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Denise Blair
- Sandy Goodwin
- James Grace
- Renee Hamrick
- Micah Harris
- Beverly Hoskison
- Nancy James
- Jennifer Kahle
- Jamie Lang
- Elke Lonas
- Kwabena Marfo
- Catherine Adenike Matthews
- Paul Robinson
- Ronnall Ruff
- Myounggon Ryu
- Atit Shah
- Justin Steele
- Joseph Veltre
- Angela Wasiloff
- Keonna White
- Amy Wilson

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

5 Years

- Adam Collier
- Judy Storey
- Jason Ward
- Jessica Westler

10 Years

- Rachel Tait

15 Years

- Amy Hamilton

25+ Years

- Kieron Calhoun
- Mark Daubenmier
- Tracy Gladen
- Marni Hall
- Winfred Johnson

- Jeffrey Jordan
- Nora Kish
- Joseph Smith
- Melanie Smith



Thank you for your dedicated membership!

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<https://www.linkedin.com/in/central-ohio-association-of-government-accountants-b76068190>



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CSH is PROUD to support the AGA Central Ohio Chapter.

GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SECTOR SERVICES:

- Financial statement audits, reviews, and compilations
- Uniform guidance compliance audits
- GASB Implementation
- Cybersecurity and Risk Management
- Human Resources

COMMUNITY SERVICE



AGA- Central Ohio Chapter is always open to community service events/activities that serve to better our community. If you know of any please submit your ideas to: executive.coaga@gmail.com.

2023 EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP

The COAGA annually presents an award to a state or local government professional who exemplifies and promotes excellence in government financial management, outstanding leadership, high ethical standards and innovative management procedures.

The award recognizes the cumulative achievements of the professional who throughout his/her career has served as a role model for others and has consistently exhibited the highest personal and professional standards.



Congratulations to our 2023 award recipient, Michael Howard!

CITIZEN-CENTRIC REPORTING

The purpose of AGA's Citizen-Centric Reporting (CCR) initiative is to help simplify communication between government and its citizens. AGA believes accurate government financial information should be provided to all citizens in a timely, simple and readily accessible format. Check out COAGA's past and current reports at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Standards/CCR/Completed/Chapters.aspx>

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JOB POSTINGS

Please visit our Job Postings page at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Central-Ohio-Chapter/Our-Chapter/Job-Postings.aspx> to find out about potential openings in your area. Any Organizations wanting to have job openings posted on the COAGA website may email our webmaster Tony at tielase@schneiderdowns.com to add a position to the board.



RECAP OF 2023 PDT

September 19th and 20th, 2023

Our AGA Central Ohio Chapter 39th annual professional development training (PDT) conference was held on September 19th and 20th, 2023 at the Quest Conference Center. The facility was very nice and the staff at Quest did an excellent job. We had 165 registered for our first all in person conference since 2019. We are very thankful for all who attended and hope you enjoyed the conference and will return again next year. We had one of our largest turn-outs for our Happy Hour at 101 Beer Kitchen in Westerville after the first day. We hope you enjoyed the Happy Hour and visiting with your peers. We hope our food options satisfied everyone's needs throughout the conference. Many thanks to our Education Committee members and Cognificent Learning who assisted with planning the conference throughout the year and all who volunteered as monitors for sessions and provided other assistance during the conference. Also, a big thank you to our sponsors: Clark Schaeffer Hackett, Rea & Associates, and Julian & Grube for their continued support.



We tried to provide a wide variety of topics for the conference. We had 29 different presenters and 23 general and break-out sessions. Melinda Miguel, National AGA President and Florida's Chief Inspector General kicked off our conference with Cyber Auditing and Florida's Cyber Pathways Program. Other topics included Ohio Treasurer of State Programs and Services, GASB 96 SBITA, Procurement and Ohio Competitive Bidding Laws, Excel/Power BI Data Analytics, Accounting in the Context of a Fragile Democracy, Auditing Standards Update, Being an Internal Control Freak Can Be Valuable, Environment Social and Governance, Update on Standards for Attestation Engagements and Reviews Compilations and Financial Statement Preparation Engagements, Expanding Grant Capacity: Keys to Effective Financial Grants Management, Investments – Finding Certainty during Uncertain Times, Wildebeast Tigers and Cy Oh My!, Debt

101, JFS Programs and Cost Pools, Leadership & Accountability, GASB Update, Cybersecurity – Risks Trends and Call to Action, Inclusive Leadership in a Hybrid Environment, Smash the Box, Best Intentions: Why You Fail to Do What's Right, Federal Update, Environmental Disasters Panel.

Additionally, Mike Howard received our Excellence in Government Leadership Award (Page 4) this year!

Please check our website and watch for email blasts regarding the 2024 PDT Conference. We have not scheduled a date yet. CPE certificates and surveys were recently sent to those who attended. If you haven't already, please provide us feedback on this year's conference. We are always looking for suggestions and ideas on topics and speakers for future monthly sessions and the PDT conference. You can always email us suggestions at any time.

The COAGA Education Committee can always use dedicated volunteers to assist with organizing these conferences. Contact us at education.coaga@gmail.com to help us continue COAGA's tradition of excellence in governmental training!



QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

First Quarter 2024

AGA - Central Ohio Chapter
Statement of Activities
As of September 30, 2023 and 2022, and For The Periods Then Ended

	<u>Program Year 2024</u>	<u>Program Year 2023</u>
	July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023	July 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022
Revenues and support		
Chapter dues	\$ 1,222	\$ 175
Registrations	55,441	-
Sponsorships	6,000	6,000
Interest	1	1
Other	-	8
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Total revenue and support	62,664	6,184
Expenses:		
Program services:		
Professional development training	49,967	763
ByLaws and Sponsorships	-	-
Community service	-	-
Education and CPE	7	1,300
Social and networking	-	973
Communications	-	396
Membership	-	-
Golf	-	-
CGFM\Other	3	-
Scholarship and awards	-	-
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	49,977	3,432
Support services:		
Management and general	3,743	6,832
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Total expenses	53,720	10,264
Change in net assets	8,944	(4,080)
Net assets - July 1, 2023 and 2022	46,018	69,523
Net assets - September 30, 2023 and 2022	<u>\$ 54,962</u>	<u>\$ 65,443</u>

SPONSORS

2023 Program Year

Platinum

Clark Schaefer Hackett

Gold

Rea and Associates

Silver

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AGA - Central Ohio Chapter is Ohio's premier association in advancing government accountability. If your target market includes chief financial officers, auditors, accountants and treasurers, then you need to be visible within our organization. The Sponsorship Program is an affordable way to support AGA - Central Ohio Chapter's strategic goals and attain recognition in the government finance community. AGA - Central Ohio Chapter hopes to make it easy and efficient for you to maximize your marketing dollars. Please reach out to our sponsorships chair at sahegarty@cshco.com for more information.



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