



AGA Retention Month

OZARKS CHAPTER

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May 2012

May 16th Meeting

"A Behind the Scenes Look At Economic Development"

With **Ryan Mooney** and **Mary Lilly Smith**

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Message from the President

We have a great executive committee slate to be approved at the meeting on the 16th. I hope if you have any interest in being a part of that committee you have visited with one of your current officers. It has been a great year and I am really looking forward to the new heights that this chapter will reach with the new leadership. Thanks again to the Ozarks Chapter AGA leadership team for the work they put into this throughout the year. I do hope you appreciate all of their hard work.



Rick Findley

We have some very good scholarship recipients that we hope to see at the next meeting. You are being a part of encouraging them because of your AGA membership. I am looking forward to meeting them and hope to encourage them to become a part of this organization as they move into a career in the accounting field.

Several members of the leadership team will attend the Sectional leadership meeting in Las Vegas. If you want to send money with any of us be confident that we would account for every penny. We will most likely be too busy to do anything until after the seminar and some may be staying an extra day, not sure.

As always I want to encourage you to get involved, but remember in order to be involved you have to have your membership current. If you have not renewed you can do that online.

The CGFM certification is being recognized by more and more employers. My understanding is that the federal government prefers that over a CPA. If you have both you should have a marked advantage if you are searching for employment or employment upgrade. Hope this encourages you to look into testing for this certification.

Again thanks for everything you do. Keep up the good work!

Rick Findley (rickfindley@yahoo.com)

Interested in the CGFM?

Contact **Julie Vaughan**, CGFM Chair, to inquire about opportunities in our area.



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Check out career opportunities on page 6!



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CGFM

University of Auburn—Montgomery is offering online courses to prepare for the CGFM. Earn college credit as you study for the CGFM! For more information visit the [website!](#)

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

Recipient	College/ University	Scholarship Amount
<u>High school/ College Freshmen</u>		
Jenna Durnell	SBU	\$600
Kacy Teel	SBU	\$400
<u>Upper Classmen</u>		
Pearl Karamitros	SBU	\$700
Jason Kester	DRURY	\$500
Jie Sheng	MSU	\$300



Support AGA Adds Up Relay Team!
Bring \$\$\$ to the May meeting to purchase
desserts from the AGA Adds Up Bake Sale!

All proceeds go to American Cancer Society's Relay for Life!

Regional Training Opportunities

AGA Des Moines Chapter
 Spring Ethics Conference
 7 CPE Hours
 May 24, 2012
 Stoney Creek Inn & Conference Center
 Johnston , IA
 Members—\$80, Non Members \$95

Audio Conferences:

5/9/2012—Carlo Ponzi or Bernard Madoff—Who Was the Bigger Villain?

5/23/2012 – Ethical Dilemas—Recognizing, Analyzing and Resolving Situations Where There Are Two Right Choices.

For More information [Click Here](#)

Welcome New Members!

- Lindsey Brownsberger
- Debrah Burling
- Jamie Dame
- Greg Drake
- Paul Essel
- Kimber Kyle
- Lisa McCurry
- Julie Ravenscraft
- Brandi Richmond
- Matt Rootz
- Matt Wallace

Future Ozarks Chapter Professional Development

Month	Year	Date	Topic/Speaker	Location
June	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
July	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
August	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
September	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
October	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
November	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
December	2012	TBD	TBD	TBD
January	2013	TBD	TBD	TBD
February	2013	TBD	TBD	TBD
March	2013	TBD	TBD	TBD
April	2012	10th	Operations of the Fed-Med!	Federal Medical Prison
May	2012	16th	Behind The Scenes Look At Economic Development	Midtown Library

**OZARKS CHAPTER OF AGA
2011-2012 Statement of Operations**

		4/30/2012
	Projected Revenue	FYTD Actual Revenue
Revenues:		
Chapter Dues	\$ 600.00	874.25
Monthly meetings	1,000.00	695.00
Seminars:		
Fall Seminar	2,000.00	1,420.00
Spring Membership Seminar	9,000.00	7,995.00
Other Revenues:		
Recruiting stipend from National AGA	150.00	150.00
Charity Fundraiser	500.00	
Misc Revenue	50.00	20.00
Interest income	100.00	64.47
Total Revenues	\$ 13,400.00	\$ 11,218.72
	Projected Expenses	FYTD Actual Expense
Expenses:		
Monthly Meeting Expenses:	\$ 1,200.00	816.82
Seminar Expenses:		
Fall Seminar	500.00	132.43
Spring Membership Seminar-Expenses	1,600.00	1,106.45
Spring Membership Seminar-Dues	5,300.00	4,585.00
Community Service Expense	600.00	152.43
Scholarships:		
Educational (Post Secondary Ed) Scholarships	2,000.00	-
CGFM (Member) scholarships	400.00	-
PDC Travel Stipend	1,000.00	-
Membership Drive Expense	200.00	50.00
Replenish speaker gifts	300.00	317.87
Misc Expense	300.00	217.00
Total Expenses	\$ 13,400.00	\$ 7,378.00
Fund Balance:		
Beginning		8,077.87
Revenue		\$ 11,218.72
Expended		\$ (7,378.00)
Ending		11,918.59

AGA - Your Best Connection for Quality, Affordable Continuing Education

CEC Minutes 3.29.12

12 noon –1st floor conference room - Busch Building at 840 Boonville

Attendance: Teresa Allen, Nancy Weems, Jerry Lein, Tina McManus, Julie Ravenscraft, Pat Monday, Justin Hill, Bob Wells, John Everest, Jon Cummings

Secretary

A motion was made and passed to accept the March 1, 2012 CEC meeting minutes.

Treasurer

Due to the change in the meeting schedule for the CEC meetings, the treasurer's report was not available yet.

Communication

Brandie will be working on the newsletter Monday and Tuesday (April 2nd and 3rd) so please have everything sent to her by 5 PM on Monday.

Community Service

Relay for Life will be held inside at the E-Plex June 1-2— Join the "AGA Adds Up" team. At the spring seminar, we made \$200 on the silent auction. We will have a bake sale at the May meeting.

Scholarships

The scholarships will be presented at the May meeting. More funding will be allocated in the FY13 budget for scholarships.

Early Career

No report

Education

The attendance at the Spring seminar was about 50. The May meeting will be May 16th. It will be Ryan Mooney from the Chamber of Commerce and will be held at the Midtown Library.

Membership:

All of the new membership forms have been completed. The CRP points are due. Who will do them this year? Rick did them all last year.

CGFM:

We discussed reimbursing members for the testing fees (and perhaps the application fee) for the CGFM upon passing the exam. Julie will pass on the materials to Jon.

Old Business:

New Business:

Teresa has arranged for a tour of the Federal Medical Center from 1 to 3 PM on Tuesday, 4/10/12.

It is time to prepare the FY13 Budget. The Budget Committee will be Teresa Allen, Bob Wells, Tina McManus, and Lindsey Brownsberger. Teresa will coordinate the first meeting – probably over lunch. Scholarships and travel reimbursements will be increased.

Next CEC meeting: April 26, 2012 – 12 noon – Busch Building, 2nd floor West Conference Room

Meeting adjourned: 1:00 PM

Ozarks AGA CEC Officers for 2012-2013

President: Bob Wells, Springfield Public Schools

President Elect: Tina McManus, Missouri State Univ.

Past President: Rick Findley, Taney County

Education: John Everest, Springfield Public Schools

Treasurer: Lindsay Brownsberger, Missouri State Univ.

Secretary: Julie Ravenscraft, Missouri State Univ.

CGFM Professional Certification: Jon Cummings, DLM CPA

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Accountability: Rick Findley, Taney County

Website: Teresa Allen. City of Springfield

Community Service: Pat Monday, City Utilities



A **HUGE** thank you to all of our members who stepped up to fill the CEC positions!

Ozarks AGA website is back up and running
and up to date.

Visit us at: www.ozarksaga.org

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Accounting Career Opportunities in the Ozarks

[Ozarks Technical College](#)

Various Accountant Positions

[Missouri State University](#)

Procurement Card Coordinator

Financial Reporting and Technology Specialist

Accounting Specialist

