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Meeting!

Message from the President

Welcome back! I hope you all have had an enjoyable summer. It's been an interesting one for me. My baby flew the coop and I have officially become an empty nester. So I am selling my 5-bedroom house and I have moved into a two-bedroom condo. This was quite an experience. Many dumpsters were filled with twenty years' worth of junk and there was enough remaining furniture and housewares for many garage sales. It reminded me of Cinderella with the stepsisters trying to fit their fat feet into Cinderella's shoe!



Tina McManus

In July, I had the pleasure of attending the Professional Development Conference in Dallas, Texas. It was four days filled with great presentations and networking opportunities. While I was there, I had the honor of receiving our chapter's Platinum Award for Chapter Recognition for 2012-2013 (earned under the presidency of Bob Wells) and our chapter's Honorary Mention Award for our Newsletter (produced by Brandie Fisher). I have high hopes that we can continue achieving these high standards under my reign. I've got a great CEC to work with.

The Chapter Recognition Award is based on numerous criteria. It measures our achievement in membership, scholarship, community service, promotion of CGFM, education, accountability, leadership, early career and others. We work hard to earn as many points as we can for each category to earn this prestigious award. I want to thank all of you for participating in our events – such as Toys for Tots, the Relay for Life, and the awarding of scholarships. This is what makes us look good!

On September 19th, our monthly meeting will be a tour of the NOAA facility. This facility is located near the Springfield-Branson International Airport. We will be able to see the working of the weather service in action. And in October, we will have our annual Fall seminar. This seminar funds our scholarships. We are still in the planning stages for the speakers.

Looking forward to seeing you at our September monthly meeting.

Tina McManus

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September Community Service Information



On the Left:
Two Ozarks AGA
Scholarship
Recipients
receive their
scholarships at
the May meet-
ing at the John
Twitty Energy
Center.



The Kitchen, Inc.'s Rare Breed Youth Services helps keep kids safe and off Springfield streets. They have served homeless and high risk disconnected youth for over a decade through their Street Outreach Drop-In Center and Transitional Living Apartment Program. Through working with Rare Breed, hundreds of youth have set goals, achieved stability, completed education, become employed and moved forward in their lives.

AGA will be collecting toiletries and spare pocket change to purchase items for Rare Breed at the September Meeting. Some items that are in need for the youth are:

Toothpaste - Tooth Brushes - Floss - Deodorant - Shaving Cream - Razors - Combs - Hair Brushes - Shampoo - Personal Hygiene Products - Bathing Soap - Wash Cloths

Check out career
opportunities on
page 6!

Interested in the CGFM?

Contact Jon Cummings, CGFM
Chair, to
inquire about opportunities
in our area.



Regional Training Opportunities

AGA Events & Conferences



Internal Control and Fraud Prevention Training Event

September 16, 2016-September 17, 2013
Ronald Reagan Building, Washington, DC



NLC: Strategic Innovation for Government Leaders

February 11, 2014—February 12, 2014
Ronald Reagan Building, Washington, DC

September Meeting

September 19th, 2013

12:00—1:00

Tour: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Topic: NOAA Tour

1 CPE

Lunch will be provided

Members: \$10

Non-Members: \$15

RSVP to [Justin Hill](#) by 5:00, on Wednesday the 16th

Future Ozarks Chapter Professional Development

Month	Year	Date	Topic/Speaker	Location
June	2013		Summer Break	
July	2013		Summer Break	
August	2013		Summer Break	
September	2013	19th	NOAA National Weather Service Tour	Springfield Branson Regional Airport
October	2013	17th	Fall Seminar	TBD
November	2013	14th	Greene County Financial	TBD
December	2013	19th	Holiday Social	TBD
January	2014	16th	School District, County, City Panel Update	TBD
February	2014	20th	Spring Seminar	TBD
March	2014	20th	TBD	TBD
April	2014	17th	TBD	TBD
May	2014	15th	TBD	TBD

OZARKS CHAPTER-AGA 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Through August 31, 2013

Revenues:	Projected Revenue	FYTD Revenue
Chapter Dues	320.00	\$ 68.75
Monthly meetings	1,400.00	\$ -
Seminars:		
Fall Seminar	1,260.00	\$ -
Spring Membership Seminar	6,120.00	\$ -
Spring Seminar Sponsorships	1,000.00	\$ -
Other Revenues:		
Recruiting stipend from National AGA	150.00	\$ -
Charity Fundraisers	-	\$ -
Miscellaneous Revenue	50.00	\$ 225.00
Interest	25.00	\$ 0.65
Total Revenues	\$ 10,325.00	\$ 294.40

Expenses:	Projected Expense	FYTD Expense
Monthly Meeting Expenses:	1,000.00	\$ -
Seminar Expenses:		
Fall Seminar	300.00	\$ -
Spring Membership Seminar-Expenses	1,500.00	\$ -
Spring Membership Seminar-Dues	3,240.00	\$ -
Community Service Expense	350.00	\$ -
Scholarships:		
Educational (Post Secondary Ed) Scholarships	1,500.00	\$ -
CGFM (Member) scholarships	400.00	\$ -
PDC (CEC)Travel Stipend	1,585.00	\$ 1,310.97
Membership Drive Expense	150.00	\$ -
Replenish speaker gifts	300.00	\$ 377.98
Miscellaneous Expense	-	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 10,325.00	\$ 1,688.95

Change in Fund Balance:	Projected	Actual
Beginning	6,686.47	6,686.47
Revenue	10,325.00	294.40
Expenses	(10,325.00)	(1,688.95)
Reduction in Fund Balance	-	(1,394.55)
Ending	\$ 6,686.47	\$ 5,291.92

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CEC Minutes

May 30, 2013 CEC Meeting

12:00 PM – 2nd floor west conference room - Busch Building at 840 Boonville

Attendance: Bob Wells, John Everest, Justin Hill, Greg Drake, Pat Monday, Tina McManus, Debra Burling, Teresa Allen, Brandie Fisher, and Brandi Richmond

Treasurer:

Bob discussed continuing the current banking relationship with Great Southern Bank. Justin made a motion to approve, John seconded the motion and the motion was approved. Bob passed out new bank signatures cards for officers.

Communications:

The monthly AGA newsletter won Honorary Mention which is 2nd place!

The newsletter will be distributed to members the first Friday of the month.

Brandie had the opportunity to judge newsletters from other chapters and will compare those with the current newsletter. Brandie will send out email reminders before meetings to try to gain more attendance. A reminder was made to submit information to Brandie for the newsletter including self recognition.

Community Service/Scholarships:

Relay for Life is Friday, May 31, 2013

Pat reminded everyone about the Relay for Life event. Pat made a suggestion to tag along with the City or County during blood drives and to award AGA members for participating. John motioned to offer one free attendance to a lunch meeting if a member participated in a blood drive co-sponsored by AGA. The motion was seconded by Teresa and passed.

Education:

John recapped all the member events of the past year. John asked for suggestions for meetings for next year. A mix between traditional classroom learning and tours is liked by most members.

Membership:

Justin reviewed the process for the transfer of money to the treasurer. The money collected from each monthly meeting will be given to the treasurer at the monthly CEC meetings. The supplies for speaker gifts have been completely depleted. Justin will email a few suggestions for gifts for the group to decide upon.

CGFM:

Bob mentioned that there was 1 CGFM certification completed. Bob thanked everyone for all the hard work and support during his term as President.

Old Business:

New Business:

The next CEC meeting will be August 29, 2013. All CEC meetings will be held the last Thursday of the month. The member meetings will be held the third Thursday of the month.

Tina is looking forward to working with everyone during her term as President. Tina, Debra, and Greg will be working on the budget and it will be completed by June 30, 2013.

Next CEC meeting: August TBD

Ozarks Chapter News



Local Ozarks AGA News!

Ozarks AGA received two awards at the nation PDC in July
Platinum Chapter Recognition Points
Newsletter—Honorable Mention (2nd Place)

Congratulations **Tina McManus**, our Chapter President, on
her promotion to Controller at Missouri State University!

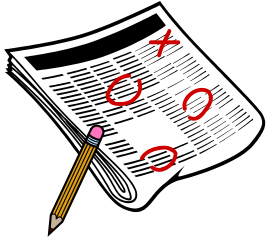


Congratulations to **Sharla Bailey**, member, on
her CGFM completion!

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
[Missouri State University](#)
Accounting Specialist
[Ozark Technical College](#)
Part Time Cashier Services
[City of Springfield](#)
Internal Auditor
Accounting Clerk II



**Government Financial
Manager (GFM) Training
Program-Course 2**

**ONE-TIME
TRAINING
OPPORTUNITY**



AGA Mid-Missouri Chapter

**Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Budgeting
November 12-14, 2013
Harry S Truman State Office Building
Room 493/494**

This course covers the general principles of governmental accounting, financial reporting, performance measures and budgeting. It also covers the unique aspects of accounting and reporting for the federal government as well as state and local governments. It is designed for accountants, auditors, budget professionals and controllers in government as well as academics and other professionals who have an interest in government. It is particularly appropriate for newly hired professionals. **This course is also an aid in studying for the Exam 2 in obtaining a CGFM.**

Course materials/study guide will be provided to each participant (an \$89 value!). Course is led by Pete Rose, course developer and prior Professional Certification Board Member. Upon completion of this course, you will have an understanding of:

- the characteristics and differences of the government environment that necessitate the unique accounting and financial reporting;
- the process of setting accounting and financial reporting standards for government entities;
- the bases of accounting and measurement focuses used by governments;
- fiscal accountability;
- exchange and non-exchange transactions;
- the uses of cost accounting in government;
- performance measures;
- budgeting in government;
- accounting and reporting in Federal, State and Local governments, including:
 - determining the financial reporting entity;
 - fund accounting and reporting;
 - government wide accounting and reporting;
 - accounting and reporting for specific transactions.
 - federal budgeting;
 - budgetary accounting;
 - federal financial accounting foundations;
 - the federal financial statements, notes, and supplementary reporting;

Registration Fee and Information

A minimum of 20 participants is required before the course can be offered. Space is limited for this program, so register early. The first 10 CGFM candidates to register with payment received will receive a voucher to sit for one part of the CGFM Exam at no charge which is a \$109 savings. The training event is being offered at a cost of \$450 per attendee. This is a bargain at \$18.75 per CPE hour, which includes the \$89 study guides.

No payment is expected at this time—only the commitment to the event. Sign up by contacting Vandee DeVore, at 573-751-1987 or email at education@midmoaga.org no later than **September 16, 2013**. Our online registration system is not available for this event but credit card payments will be accepted. Meals will not be provided at this event. A hotel room block is being coordinated.

Refund Policy: Refunds will not be given on an individual basis, however substitution is allowed. If the course must be cancelled due to lack of participation, a full refund will be given to each individual.

May 2013 Meeting John Twitty Energy Center Tour

