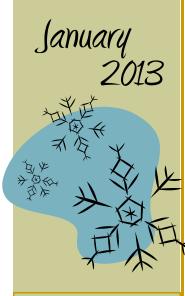
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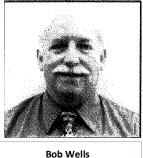
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Message from the President

As we start a new calendar for 2013 it is time to begin the process of selecting officers and directors who will serve as our Ozarks Chapter CEC for fiscal year 2013-14 that begins July 1, 2013. Tina McManus, President-Elect chairs the Nominating Committee. Tina and I are currently soliciting interest from members who are willing to serve as an officer or director.



Serving as a chapter leader is a very rewarding experience.

Our Ozarks Chapter has been extremely fortunate over the years to have members step up and volunteer their time and talent. This dedication and willingness to serve has resulted in growth and recognition for chapter accomplishments, both locally and within the AGA organization. It is also fun to work with people who like to have a good time while getting stuff accomplished.

If you are thinking you would like to serve on the Chapter AGA Board but would like to know more about AGA before volunteering, there is an opportunity coming on January 26 to learn more. The Topeka Chapter will be hosting a "Getting Back To Basics" Sectional Leadership Meeting – Regional (SLM-R) to be held in Kansas City at the Embassy Suites – Plaza. Topics on the agenda are: Building a Successful Chapter; AGA's mission; Success Through Planning and Preparation; Individual Chapter Goals; Communication, Certification & Community Service; and Staying Strong with Succession Planning. The cost is \$30 and includes lunch. We have members planning to attend this conference. If you would like to join us please contact either myself or Tina.

The national AGA organization and the Ozarks Chapter pay expenses for certain officers and director positions to attend national and sectional training events. These conferences provide opportunities for specialized training and networking. Please consider becoming a chapter leader.

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AGA Scholarship Information

January, 2013

The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) Ozarks Chapter is pleased to announce that scholarships will be made available again this year for students committed to entering the accounting profession. Included with the scholarship is a paid one year membership for each scholarship award.

AGA has committed \$4,000 in scholarship funds available for the 2012-2013 academic year. Individual scholarships will range from \$400 to \$1,000 depending on the number of qualified applicants.

THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS IS February 12, 2013.

Scholarship recipients and their respective school will be notified of the award on or before March 4, 2013.

For an Application form and additional information about the scholarships please contact Pat Monday. Feel free to duplicate these forms or email to appropriate students as you wish.

Applications should be mailed to: Pat Monday CU – Finance Department P.O. Box 551 Springfield, MO 65801-0551 417-831-8719 Work 417-425-5351 Cell Pat.Monday@cityutilities.net

AGA Scholarship Committee

Pat Monday, City Utilities of Springfield Nancy Weems, City of Springfield, Missouri Career Center Julie Ravenscraft, Missouri State University Paul Essel, Missouri State University

Interested in the CGFM?

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



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Month	Year	Date	Topic/Speaker	Location
June	2012		Summer Break	
July	2012		Summer Break	
August	2012	21st	Ryan Nichols/Tour	Public Safety Ctr
September	2012	11th	CU Water Conservation	CU Training Ctr
October	2012	9th	Prevailing Wages	Mo Career Ctr
November	2012	13th	Fall Seminar	Cooper Tennis Complex
December	2012	11th	Members Social	Springfield Brew Co.
January	2013	29th	Airport Operations/ Financials	Springfield— Branson Airport
February	2013	TBD	TBD	TBD
March	2013	19th	Spring Seminar	Exec Conf Ctr
April	2012	10th	Operations of the Fed-Med!	Federal Medical Prison
May	2012	16th	Behind The Scenes Look At	Midtown Library

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Government Financial Manager (GFM) Training Program-Course 2

ONE-TIME TRAINING OPPORTUNITY



Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Budgeting November 12-14, 2018 Harry S Truman State Office Building Room 498/494

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 a cademics 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 573-751-1987or email at <u>education@midmoaga.org</u> 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.

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	2012-2013 Sta	teme	ent of Operation	IS	
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	Charity Fundraiser		120.00	90.00	
	Misc Revenue		- 50.00	90.00	
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	Fall Seminar		500.00	155.10	
	Spring Membership Seminar-Expenses		1,700.00	95.00	
Spring Membership Seminar-Dues			4,750.00	-	
Community Service Expense			600.00	-	
Scho	larships:				
Educational (Post Secondary Ed) Scholarships			4,000.00	-	
	CGFM (Member) scholarships		400.00	-	
PDC - CEC Travel Stipend			1,875.00	-	
Membership Drive Expense			150.00	35.00	
Replenish speaker gifts			300.00	-	
Misc Expense			300.00	53.99	
Tota	l Expenses	\$	16,075.00	\$ 730.83	
	Change In Fund Balance:				
Beginning				8,871.05	
	Revenue			1,248.52	
	Expended			(213.09)	
	Ending			\$9,906.48	

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CEC Minutes

December 6, 2012 CEC Meeting

12:00 PM – Busch Building – 2nd floor West conference room

Attendance: Teresa Allen, Pat Monday, Bob Wells, Tina McManus, Lisa McCurry, John Everest, Rick Findlay, Justin Hill, Brandie Fisher

Secretary

The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Treasurer

No treasurer's report

Accountability

Chapter points were submitted.

Received award for submitting member report

Area of improvement identified

<u>CGFM</u>

Rick Findlay passed the third and final part. Congratulations!!

CEC voted and approved reimbursement of the CGFM test application fee and test fees for each part of the CGFM upon passing all parts. (Only single reimbursement for each part.)

Jon is sending letters to MoASBO, Mo Assoc of Counties, and the Mo School Board Assoc to encourage hiring of CGFMs. Rick will provide address for Mo Assoc for County Auditors.

Communication

The newsletter should go out Friday, December 7th.

Christmas Social is Tuesday, December 12th from 5 to 7 PM at Springfield Brewing Company. Bring Toys for Tots.

Scholarships

The information will be mailed to the counselors at the schools the week after Christmas.

The committee will meet in December,

Early Careers:

No report.

Lisa McCurry has accepted a new job in Tennessee - so this position is now vacant.

Community Service:

Toys for Tots at the Christmas Social

Relay for Life Kickoff is in January

Education:

Spring Seminar was discussed. Will probably be March 19, 2013.

Topics - Ethics with Sandra Byrd,

Other possible education events - unclaimed property, legislative update, power plant, Joplin disaster, airport/weather station

Membership:

No report

Other:

Discussion regarding the review and rewriting of our chapter bylaws Policy and Procedures Manual. Tina volunteered to review and draft an update.

Next CEC meeting will be Thursday, December 27th, 2012 from 12:00 to 1:00 PM in the 2nd floor West Busch Building conference room.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:45 pm



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Ozarks Chapter News

Congratulations Justin!

AGA Member Justin Hill Is Now Officially Greene **County's New Treasurer**

In December of 2010, Justin Hill was appointed as Interim Greene County Treasurer by the County Commission. He sought appointment by the governor in order to hold the seat until the term expired at the end of 2012. He was unsuccessful, and a new Treasurer was appointed instead.

Justin immediately began to campaign for the position in 2011 and 2012. On August 7th, 2012, he won the Republican primary election by a very comfortable margin (over 66%). This allowed him to move on to the general election. On November 6th, 2012, Justin received over 70,000 votes (nearly 59%) from the citizens of Greene County.

On January 1, 2013, Justin Hill was sworn in as Treasurer of Greene County to serve a four year term. ☆

* "I'm excited to be serving in this capacity once again. I would like to thank the AGA members who offered their support ☆ ☆ during the election process. I'm honored by my fellow professionals who were willing to lend their resources and ☆ credibility to our campaign." ☆

Sincerely, ☆

☆ Justin Hill ☆

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

> > Visit us at: www.ozarksaga.org

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Brandie Fisher, Editor

Deadline for articles: **<u>30th</u>** of each month Send articles to: bfisher@springfieldmo.gov

Accounting Career Opportunities in the

Ozarks

Missouri State University

Senior Accountant/Analyst

Accounting Specialist

City of Springfield

Assistant Director of Aviation, Administration

Springfield Public Schools

Analyst, Accounts Payable



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