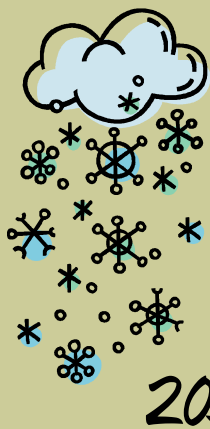


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January



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See Page 3 for information on our November Meeting

Message from the President

As we have all been cooped up in our houses, trying to stay warm and off of the treacherous roads, my mind begins to plan for the spring and the upcoming year. What exciting things will it bring? What new opportunities will be presented? Our CEC is beginning its recruitment of members to serve on the CEC. We have many different positions that are open for the upcoming year. Now is the time to become more involved in the Ozarks chapter of AGA and enhance the benefits that you receive from this organization. If you are interested, or just want more information, please talk to any of the CEC members.



Tina McManus

Two of our members, Jamie Rouch and Stacy McAllister, are attending the SLM-R at Bellevue University in Nebraska in January 11. We are looking forward to receiving their report!

Our annual holiday luncheon at Jimm's Steak House on December 19th was fun. I came home with a very nice gift – but others were not as fortunate.

Next Thursday, January 16th, we will still be working on our membership drive. If you bring a guest to the meeting, they will receive a free meal, and you will receive a gift certificate from Starbucks. We will be visiting RareBreed – an organization that provides assistance to homeless and needy teenagers. We will be again collecting toilets to give to this organization as we have done in the past.

On February 20th, we will have a presentation on the police and firemen pension tax issue.

March 20th will be our Spring Seminar to be held at the Executive Conference Center. This is our membership seminar. Your membership for next year is included in the registration for the seminar. It will be 8 great hours of CPE – including 2 hours of ethics!

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January Community Service Information



Rare Breed

youth services

The January AGA meeting (on the 16th) will be held at the Rare Breed Youth Drop In Center, located at 215 S. Campbell, Springfield Mo. This is a wonderful program that 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.

This is a repeat Community Service project for AGA. In September 2013 AGA collected toiletries and spare pocket change for the center. In January AGA will again collect pocket change and gently worn winter apparel. Please check your closets for Jackets, Coats, Shoes, Gloves and Hats that can be donated to the youths. Any items donated not used by this center will be transferred to other out-reach organizations.

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

Web Conference— January 15th

2:00—3:50 2 CPE

Topic: Fraud Detection/Prevention



NLC: Strategic Innovation for Government Leaders

February 11, 2014—February 12, 2014

Ronald Reagan Building, Washington, DC

January Meeting

January 16th, 2014

12:00—1:00

Topic: Rare Breed

301 N Main , Springfield MO

Lunch will be provided

Members: \$10

Non-Members: \$15

RSVP to [Justin Hill](#) by 5:00, on Tuesday the 14th

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	Cooper Tennis
November	2013	14th	SpringNet Underground Tour	Springfield Underground
December	2013	19th	Holiday Social	Jimm's Steakhouse
January	2014	16th	Rare Breed	Rare Breed
February	2014	20th	Police-Fire Pension Update	Mid Town Library
March	2014	20th	Spring Seminar	Exec. Conf Ctr
April	2014	17th	Local Gov't Roundtable	TBD
May	2014	15th	TBD	TBD

**Association of Government Accountants
Ozarks Chapter
Fiscal Year 2014
July 1, 2013 Through December 31, 2013**

	FY14 Budget Revenue	FY14 Actual Revenue	Dec 2013 Revenue
Revenues:			
Chapter Dues	320.00	\$ 78.75	\$ -
Monthly meetings	1,400.00	\$ 270.00	\$ -
Seminars:			
Fall Seminar	1,260.00	\$ 1,040.00	\$ -
Spring Membership Seminar	6,120.00	\$ -	\$ -
Spring Seminar Sponsorships	1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Other Revenues:			
Recruiting stipend from National AGA	150.00	\$ 153.00	\$ -
Charity Fundraisers	-	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous Revenue	50.00	\$ 285.00	\$ -
Interest	25.00	\$ 1.87	\$ 0.32
Total Revenues	\$ 10,325.00	\$ 1,828.62	\$ 0.32

	FY14 Budget Expense	FY14 Actual Expense	Dec 2013 Expense
Expenses:			
Monthly Meeting Expenses:	1,000.00	\$ 214.07	\$ -
Seminar Expenses:			
Fall Seminar	300.00	\$ 110.54	\$ -
Spring Membership Seminar-Expenses	1,500.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
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	\$ 50.00	\$ -
Replenish speaker gifts	300.00	\$ 377.98	\$ -
Miscellaneous Expense	-	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 10,325.00	\$ 2,213.56	\$ -

Change in Fund Balance:	Projected	Actual	Actual
Beginning	6,686.47	6,686.47	\$ 6,301.21
Revenue	10,325.00	1,828.62	\$ 0.32
Expenses	(10,325.00)	(2,213.56)	\$ -
Net Change	-	(384.94)	\$ 0.32
Ending	<u>\$ 6,686.47</u>	<u>\$ 6,301.53</u>	<u>\$ 6,301.53</u>

CEC Minutes



December CEC Postponed Until January CEC Meeting



Ozarks Chapter News

Local Ozarks AGA News!

- Be sure to look for an “Early Career Corner” in future newsletters!



Ozarks Chapter Scholarship Committee Update

AGA has budgeted \$1,500 in scholarship funds for 2014-2015. Scholarship information has been emailed to local colleges, universities, and high schools to distribute to interested students. Applications are due March 7th, 2014 and awards to be announced March 21st, 2014. The scholarship recipients will be invited to join AGA for our April or May meetings to be recognized and receive their award.

If you know someone that may be interested, please have them contact the scholarship committee.

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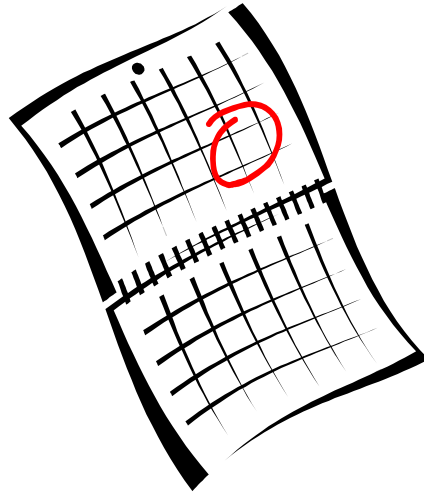
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Accounting Career Opportunities in the Ozarks

[Missouri State University](#)
Senior Accountant/Analyst

[Greene County](#)
Tax Collection Specialist IV

Save the Date



Spring Seminar—March 20th

Confirmed Topics:

Lean Government—State of Iowa

Record Retention in the Digital Age—Mo Secretary of State

Internal Audit Panel

Rachel Simons, Cox—Brenda Putmen, CU—TBD

Special Topic Featuring Bank of Kansas City

Proposed Topics

Ethics

Local Government Update