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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The second quarter of our Program Year has been the busiest, as always, with our annual Professional Development Training (PDT). In October we held our 33rd annual PDT which was very well attended and provided many great CPE opportunities! This year's PDT offered a variety of topics relevant to state, local and special district governments, as well as their private sector partners. We once again offered many nationally known speakers on current topics from GASB, federal OMB, NASACT, and the CEO of National AGA. This event was a must attend event for AGA members and other in the government accountability industry!

At this year's PDT we awarded our second annual Excellence in Government Leadership Award. We presented this award upon a unanimous decision of the Executive Committee to Hugh J. Dorrian, the now retired City Auditor for the City of Columbus. Mr. Dorrian's accomplishments include, holding the office of City Auditor for 12 consecutive terms beginning in 1969, maintaining a AAA credit rating for the City of Columbus, overseeing the issuance of \$34.8B in municipal securities issuances, achieving Columbus voter approval of 78 of the 82 bond issues placed on the ballot during his terms, and earning the CAFR award for 38 consecutive years. Mr. Dorrian truly exemplified excellence in government leadership and left a lasting impression on everyone that has been fortunate enough to work with him.

In my message last quarter, I mentioned that we would be attending meetings with Ohio State University and Ohio Dominican University to talk with students about careers in governmental accounting. Both of those meetings went really well and the students were very engaged and asked good questions about our field. Based on the recommendation of a member we have scheduled another meeting with accounting students at Ohio Wesleyan University in the spring. If any other members have contacts with local colleges or universities that you think would want to have us present, please reach out to me and let me know. Thank you to Marni Hall and Will Kays (Greater Columbus Chapter President) for attending these meetings with me!

The upcoming month of March is Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) month. Our Governor each year proclaims the month of March as CGFM month to recognize the Certification Program, which is nationally recognized as one of the most respected certifications for those who work in Federal, State or Local government. Our chapter supports the CGFM by offering study guide review courses throughout the year. Please consider looking into the CGFM certification and for our other upcoming review sessions.

We are always looking for members interested in volunteering on our Education Committee. If you are interested, please reach out to me. Also, if you have any suggestions for future training topics or speakers, please send those my way as well – some of our best speakers have come from chapter members like you who make recommendations of outstanding speakers you have seen at other conferences.

Want to keep up with what's going on with Central Ohio AGA? Visit our website (www.coaga.org) or Facebook.

Brian Mosier
2017-2018 Central Ohio AGA President

Welcome New Members!

Shane L. Bobbitt

Tracy Fast – Village of Lakemore

Karen Freeman – City of Rossford

Kent Haley – Rio Grande Community College

Zachary R. Reeder – Ohio Auditor of State's Office

Susan A. Tsen – Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Charlene VanHoose – State of Ohio - OBM Financial Reporting

2018 AGA Scholarships Available!!

The Central Ohio Chapter of Association of Government Accountants (COAGA) will be rewarding one or more scholarships to active members, family members of active members, or other selected candidates who are currently enrolled in full or part time study at a college or university. For eligibility requirements and how to apply, please go to [COAGA Scholarship & Awards](#).

Award Amount: Up to \$5,000

Closing Date for Applications: March 31, 2018

Award Announcement: No later than May 31, 2018

For questions, please contact Dawn Renner, COAGA Scholarship Committee Chair, at 330-429-3526 or via email at dmrenner@ohioauditor.gov.

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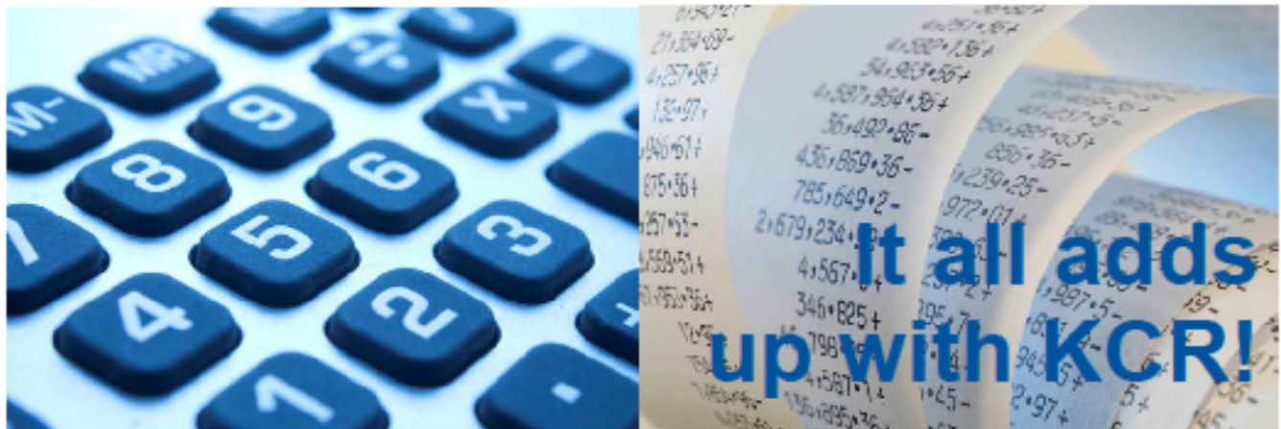
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Upcoming Education Event

Central Ohio AGA – GASB Update and Pension Plan Census Data

Census Data and Pensions - Complete and accurate Census Data for pension plan members is vital for actuarial valuations of the Total Pension Liability. The Retirement Systems' auditors need assurances that the census data provided by the hundreds of participating employers is complete and accurate.

- Learn the process used in Ohio to provide the auditors of the retirement systems assurances over the completeness and accuracy of the data provided by the participating employers.
- Learn what employer auditors should do to gain assurances regarding census data to support the audit of participating employer financial statements.

This course will consist of a presentation by the Ohio Auditor of State (ERIC J. KLINE, CPA - QUALITY ASSURANCE AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIST - LEAD CENTER FOR AUDIT EXCELLENCE) on Pension Plan Census Data followed by a National AGA Webinar featuring GASB staff discussing new pronouncements on lease accounting and fiduciary activities.

Date/Time: Wednesday, February 7, 2018

Time: 1:00 - 3:50 P.M. ET (registration begins at 12:30)

Location: Columbus Main Library (Auditorium)

96 S. Grant Avenue, Columbus, OH 43215

Parking is available around the building in surface lots and parking garage below

Cost: Free to Members, \$30 for Non-members

CPE: 3 CPEs and 3 CPIM (pending approval)

Registration: [Eventbrite.com Central Ohio AGA GASB Update and Pension Plan Census Data tickets](https://www.eventbrite.com/central-ohio-aga-gasb-update-and-pension-plan-census-data-tickets)

Upcoming Community Event

Central Ohio AGA - Volunteer Event at the Faith Mission

Volunteers are needed to serve lunch to Women & Children at the Faith Mission

Date/Time: Saturday, January 27th from 10:15AM - 12:15PM

Location: Faith Mission Community Kitchen, 245 N Grant Ave, Columbus, OH 43215

AGE REQUIREMENT: 14 years of age and older are welcome.

At the conclusion of the event, AGA will provide a networking lunch for the volunteers at a local restaurant. Limited slots are available, so please RSVP as soon as possible.

Please contact Cat Vandewalle (communityservice.coaga@gmail.com) if you are interesting in volunteering or would like additional information.

Recent Education Event

Central Ohio AGA – Professional Development Social

Thank you to all of the volunteers and attendees who made this year’s 33rd annual Professional Development Training a success. Held on October 23th and 24th at Quest Conference Center, this event provided 16 hours of continuing education to more than 200 attendees, including 3 hours of ethics training. Speakers included representatives from the GASB, NASACT, OMB, and National AGA CEO Ann Ebberts.

A very special thank you to past COAGA president Kelly Berger-Davis for saving the day! When a family emergency left us with no speaker for two sessions, Kelly did not hesitate to jump in and present at both sessions! Thank you Kelly!

Other highlights included keynote speaker Jerome Mayne, as well as the presentation of Central Ohio AGA’s Excellence in Government Leadership Award. Congratulations to Mr. Hugh Dorrian on winning this award.



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Recent Community Events

Central Ohio AGA - Mid-Ohio Foodbank Food Drive

Attendees of the Central Ohio Association of Government Accountants 33rd Annual Regional Professional Development Training on October 23 - 24, 2017 at the Quest Conference Center brought non-perishable food item(s) to help support Mid-Ohio Foodbank’s mission to end hunger one nourishing meal at a time. Thank you to all who participated!

Central Ohio AGA – Annual Donations

In addition to volunteering at charities throughout the year, we also make monetary donations. This year the following charities were selected:

***USO: Operation Phone Home®* – \$1,000**

- <https://www.uso.org/take-action/ways-to-give>

***Mid-Ohio Foodbank* – \$750**

- <https://www.midohiofoodbank.org/>

***Faith Mission* – \$750**

- <http://www.lssnetworkofhope.org/>



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Recent Social Event

Central Ohio AGA – Professional Development Social

After the first day of the Central AGA PDT attendees headed over to the Polaris Pub for networking, appetizers, and drinks.



Upcoming National AGA Events

National Leadership Training

February 27 – 28, 2018

Washington, D.C., or virtual

Journal submission deadline: Building the Profession

March 01 – June 23, 2018

Infrastructure Financing

March 7, 2018

2:00 – 3:50 p.m.

Webinar | 2 CPEs



**Central Ohio Association of Government Accountants
Statement of Activities
Period Ended December 31, 2017 and Year Ended June 30, 2017**

		Program Year 2018	Program Year 2017
		<u>July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017</u>	<u>July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017</u>
Revenues and support			
Chapter dues	\$	464	\$ 1,993
Grants		-	-
Registrations		82,305	81,377
Sponsorships		7,000	9,107
Interest		<u>10</u>	<u>26</u>
 Total revenue and support		 <u>89,779</u>	 <u>92,503</u>
 Expenses:			
Program services:			
Professional development training		64,927	60,547
CGFM and professional certification		1,896	4,756
Community service		3,000	3,530
Education and CPE		1,953	7,636
Social and networking		2,508	10,515
Scholarship and awards		5,000	117
Other		<u>-</u>	<u>9</u>
		 <u>79,284</u>	 <u>87,110</u>
Support services:			
Management and general		<u>5,141</u>	<u>6,856</u>
 Total expenses		 <u>84,425</u>	 <u>93,966</u>
 Change in net assets		 5,354	 (1,463)
 Net assets - beginning of year		 <u>59,666</u>	 <u>61,129</u>
 Net assets - end of period/year	\$	 <u><u>65,020</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 59,666</u></u>

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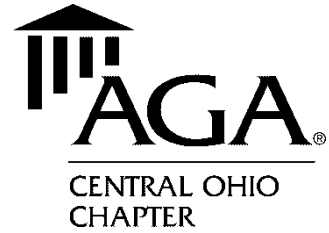
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