

The Roanoke Ledger

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President's Message



By Curtis P. Joachim, CPA, MBA, CGFM, CGMA

Our 2020/2021 AGA year is well underway, as evidenced by the tapestry of colors that decorate our surrounding mountains and forests. October remains one of my favorite time of year in Southwest Virginia, as the warmth of summer gives way to cooler nights and what used to be Friday night High School Football! But Alas, not this year 😞. My kids are bumming as are the other thousands of other high schoolers around the nation. But life goes on, we make the best of it and keep moving forward.

We started the year with a Chairs of the Executive Committee (CEC) meeting where we discussed chapter plans for the upcoming year. This included continuing holding our monthly meetings via webinars along with providing a CPEs at every meeting. We also agreed to again join forces with the Richmond, Shenandoah and VA Peninsula

Chapters to host the 3rd Commonwealth PDT virtually, VA on December 10th and 11th. We will use the experience gained during our 2020 virtual Spring PDT to assist the three chapters to put on a great event. We will continue outreach efforts to Colleges and Universities with the first presentation planned virtually for October 22nd at Roanoke College. We will invest in a paid virtual platform to make our online meetings more user friendly. We will also purchase an online CGFM Study Guide to assist members to prepare for and pass the CGFM exam.

In September, we kicked off our first monthly meeting virtually with Dr. Alice Kassens from Roanoke College giving the National and Economic update and Outlook after receiving a brief update from our Chapter members. We are looking forward to this month's meeting on October 29th where we will discuss how to create a Citizen Centric Report (CCR). We will present and review our Chapter's CCR that was published in September as well as review other CCRs to gain insight on how to prepare one. Do join us and earn 1 CPE.

As always, thanks for being a member of AGA and supporting our chapter. I look forward to seeing you virtually at one of our upcoming events.

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Opportunities

Technology & Transformation Summit 2020

November 18, 2020 | Virtual | 8 CPEs

Free for AGA Members

For more information: [Click Here](#)

**AGA 25th Annual Commonwealth PDT**

“Financial Accountability in a Virtual World”

December 10 & 11, 2020 | Virtual | 16 CPEs

For Fees and Current Agenda: [Click Here](#)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

ONLINE RESOURCES

AGA now has a COVID-19 Resource Exchange. It includes AGA, government, corporate partner and chapter events and resources. Make sure you visit! [Click Here](#)



Take the examinations at a Pearson VUE Professional Testing Center. After you complete a CGFM examination, you will immediately receive a pass/fail score. If you did not pass your exam, you must adhere to a 30-day waiting period before you can retake it. If you failed a particular exam more than once, your waiting period is 60 days. You can find your exam results and eligibility dates in [My Path to CGFM](#)

AGA is Community Minded



We are working with the Richmond, VA Peninsula and Shenandoah chapters to raise funds during the Fall PDC to support the **Saint Francis Service Dogs** non-profit organization. Saint Francis Service Dogs is a non-profit organization, whose purpose is to help children and adults with disabilities become more independent and self-sufficient through partnership with a professionally trained service dog. You can learn more about St. Francis Service Dogs here: <http://www.saintfrancisdogs.org/>



Outreach Activities

- October 22 - We are looking forward to presenting to accounting students at **Roanoke College** to discuss opportunities in Government Accounting, the benefits of AGA membership and the CGFM certification.
- Spring 2021 – We are planning for presentations to **Appalachian State** University and the **Accounting Society** at **Virginia Tech**.
- February 24 and 25, 2021 – The **National Collegiate Leadership Program** will be held virtually. We have begun sharing this information with our universities and student bodies. All students are encouraged to apply and successful applicants will receive a scholarship towards registration fees. **Action:** The application deadline is **December 11, 2020** at noon Eastern.
- We continue to reach out to colleges, universities, and other student bodies to share our membership experience and encourage membership in the AGA.

Ideas for other outreach activities to increase membership are always welcomed!

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Chapter Information

2020-2021 Chapter Board

Curtis Joachim, President
 Vicki Delp, Treasurer
 Melissa Cable, Secretary
 Joshua Levenstein, Education/Meetings
 Gillian Cadogan, Membership/Emerging Leaders
 Leah Kirby, Community Service
 Vicky Moore, Web-Master/ Nat'l Council of Chapters Representative
 Misty Hamed, Communications & Newsletter
 Ashley Colaiacono, Accountability



New Members:

Misty Hamed, CGI Federal
 Laura A. Taylor-Baugh, Wise County
 Ashley Colaiacono, Roanoke College

[Contact Information for the Chapter Board](#)

AGA Treasurer's Report For the Month Ending September 2020

Beginning Balance: September 1, 2020 **\$ 6,674.32**

Receipts:

No Receipts

Total Receipts **\$ -**

Disbursements:

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| 9/11/2020 | CK # 1202 | U.S. Post Office (Box Rental) | \$ | 130.00 |
| 9/29/2020 | Debit Card | Amazon Gift Cards (Raffle) | \$ | 50.00 |
| 9/30/2020 | CK # 1203 | League for Animal Protection (Donation) | \$ | 25.00 |

Total Disbursements **\$ 205.00**

Ending Balance: September 30, 2020 **\$ 6,469.32**

Balance Reported 10/09/20

Signature:

Vicki B. Delp

Treasurer

Balance check

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| | \$ | 6,469.32 |
| Per statement | \$ | 6,494.32 |
| Check Not Cleared (#1203) | \$ | (25.00) |

Virginia and National Economic Outlook

September 24, 2020

- Approval of Minutes – The revised minutes from our 2020-2021 kick of meeting were approved.
- Treasurer's Report was presented and approved.
- Community Service Report – Be thinking of a charity fundraiser for the quarter. Locally we normally donate to a Roanoke Valley or NRV charity for the Holiday Season, and we are also working to help with the fundraiser charity for the Williamsburg PDT.
- Accountability & Communications Report – We are currently working on a CCR for the Chapter. Our new Board Member, Misty Hamed, will be working on our monthly newsletter going forward for this year.
- Membership & Emerging Leaders Report – We are working with local schools and universities in the area to bring additional members in. In October, we will be presenting at Roanoke College. We also hope to present at VA Tech Accounting Society and Appalachian State University in the spring.
- Meetings/Education/CGFM – There is some type of event planned for each month through the spring. Stay tuned for additional information or check the web site!



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Humor and Fun



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