



# NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is my pleasure to be serving as your 2017-2018 Central Ohio AGA President. We have another exciting slate of educational sessions, community service opportunities, and social events planned for this program year. I hope that all members take advantage of these great opportunities for development and networking.

On October 23rd and 24th we will be hosting our 33rd annual two-day Professional Development Training (PDT) in Columbus. This event brings speakers from around the country for trainings on both technical and soft skills. There will also be a happy hour after the first day that I hope everyone attends to build a network with your fellow government accountability professionals!

A focus of my presidency is going to be reaching out to the next generation of government professionals and engaging them at an early age. We have presentations planned at The Ohio State University and Ohio Dominican University for later this fall. If anyone has contacts at other universities in the central Ohio area please let me know, as we would like to reach as many college aged accountants and finance students as possible in order to educate them on the exciting careers to be had in government finance and accounting!

In addition to educating the next generation of government accountability professionals, the Central Ohio AGA also awards scholarships to active members, family members of an active member, or other selected candidates who are currently enrolled in full or part-time study. The award amount is up to \$3,000 per person. This quarter our chapter awarded a total of \$6,000 in scholarships to four students to assist with their undergraduate and graduate degrees!

I would like to personally welcome our new members and hope to meet you at one of the events. Central Ohio AGA's goals are to provide quality education, foster professional development and certification, and support standards and research to advance government accountability to our 400+ members from both the public and private sectors. Our chapter also supports the Association of Government Accountants Certified Government Finance Manager (CGFM) certification, which is nationally recognized as one of the most respected certifications for those who work in Federal, State or Local government. I recently obtain my CGFM certification and I hope you consider working towards your as well.

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 (<https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/CentralOhio/Home.aspx>) or Facebook.

Brian Mosier  
2017-2018 Central Ohio AGA President

## Welcome New Members!

Kevin Baker – City of Vandalia

Donnisha Bright – Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation

Mica Flaherty – DFAS

Rachel Jender – Ohio Auditor of State

Emily Jenkins – Ohio Auditor of State

Melissa Kandel – Ohio Auditor of State

Mark Long – Ohio Auditor of State

Kristin Underwood – Ohio Auditor of State

Jonathan Wagner – Ohio Auditor of State

Alisha Wentz – Village of Carey

## Central AGA Scholarship Winners

The Chapter awarded a total of \$5,000 to the following winners:

Sadie Dewitt – Otterbein University

Caleb Stein – Ashland University

Rachelle Morrison – Ashland University

Heidi Hallas – Ohio University



Check out the Central Ohio AGA's social media presence at:

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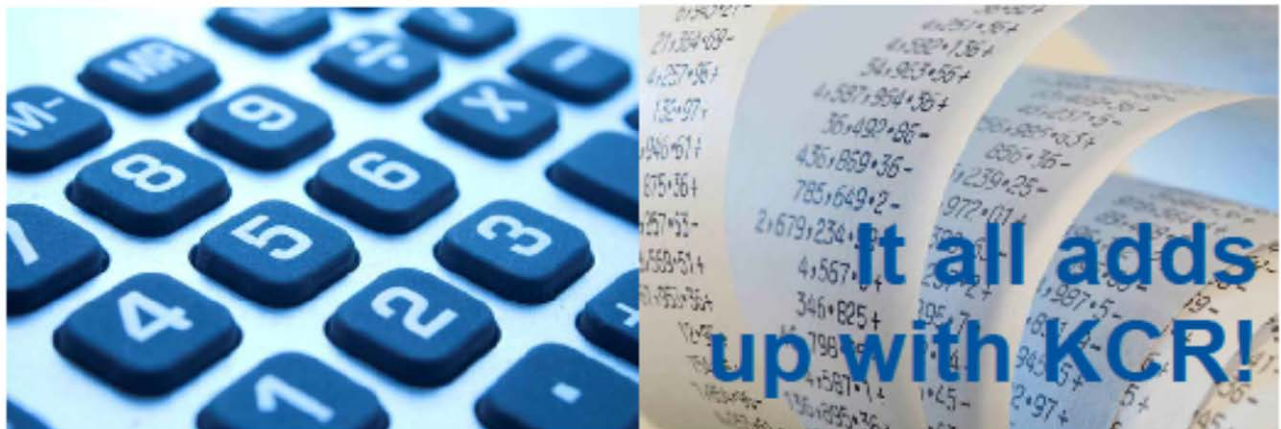
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## **Upcoming Education Events**

### **Central Ohio AGA - Professional Development Training**

The **Central Ohio Association of Government Accountants 33rd Annual Regional Professional Development Training** will be here before we know it! The annual COAGA PDT is slated for **October 23 - 24, 2017** at the **Quest Conference Center** on Pulsar Place in Columbus.

The Central Ohio AGA Annual PDT offers outstanding keynote speakers, a wide range of break-out sessions, and high quality training classes for you and your organization. Our chapter serves state, local, and special district governments, as well as their private sector partners throughout Ohio. [Click here to view the PDT Brochure.](#)

Reasons to attend this 2-day conference:

- Earn cost effective CPE hours – obtain up to 16 CPE’s
- Several hours of CPIM approved sessions
- Learn from nationally recognized industry leaders from the GASB, NASACT, and AICPA, as well as National AGA CEO Ann Ebberts
- The required “Ethics” training will be offered
- Network with colleagues
- Stay up-to-date on industry changes and issues that affect your career

**[Click here to register today!](#)**

### **Central Ohio AGA and Central Ohio Chapter of IIA - Guarding Public Sector & Shareholders Trust, Are You Up to the Challenge?**

The Central Ohio AGA and Central Ohio Chapter of the IIA are proud to present John Wszelaki, Director of the American Center for Government Auditing at The Institute of Internal Auditors.

**Thursday, November 9, 2017**

2:00 - 4:00 PM ET (registration begins at 1:30)

Location: Columbus Main Library (Auditorium)  
96 S. Grant Avenue, Columbus 43215

**2 CPEs | 2 CPIM** (pending approval)

Cost: \$20 for Members, \$30 for Non-members

Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/central-ohio-aga-and-central-ohio-chapter-of-the-iaa-registration-37045844117>

Please Note: Registration **deadline** is **Noon on November 7, 2017**. Please register early because seats are limited. If registered in Eventbrite, you will receive a confirmation email from Central Ohio AGA. Member discount is subject to membership verification.

Cancellation Reminder: If you pre-register and find that you are unable to attend, PLEASE notify the Chair, at [education.coaga@gmail.com](mailto:education.coaga@gmail.com) at least 2 days prior to the event.

**Upcoming Education Events Continued...**

**Central Ohio AGA - CGFM I**

The Central Ohio AGA is pleased to offer a review of the material covered in the CGFM Study Guide I. The CGFM Study Guide I review class will take place **November 14th at the ODNR campus**. This session is designed for all financial management professionals who are interested in learning more about the governmental environment at the federal, state and local level. The material covered in the review includes the Exam I content, topics, and subtopics. More information to come...

**Upcoming Community Event**

**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** are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item(s) to help support Mid-Ohio Foodbank’s mission to end hunger one nourishing meal at a time while co-creating communities where everyone thrives.

**Central Ohio AGA - Volunteering at Faith Mission**

One day in December COAGA will be volunteering at Faith Mission. At Faith Mission, their services help clients meet their basic food and shelter needs, while also giving them the resources and support to improve their lives. More information to come....



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**Upcoming Social Events**

**Central Ohio AGA – Professional Development Social**

COAGA is in midst of planning a Happy Hour Networking Event for members and attendees of the PDT Conference.

**When:** October 23rd

**Time:** 4:30 pm

**Place:** Polaris Pub (we will be on the patio again this year)

**Menu:** Appetizers and drinks (each person will get two drink tickets)


**[Click here to sign up for the PDT and the social event.](#)**

**Central Ohio AGA – Paint Night**

Join us one evening in December for a fun night of painting. Come unleashing your creative side and meet other members of COAGA. More information to come....



Last year's paint night attendees.



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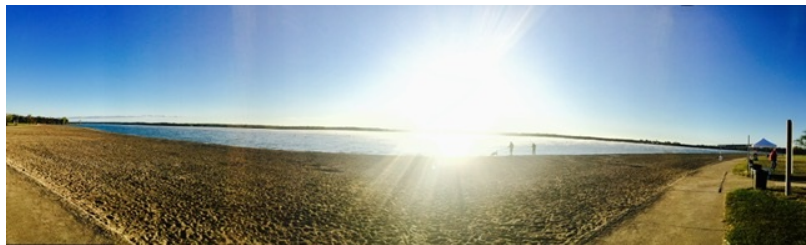
## **Recent Education Event**

### **Central AGA April Continuing Education:**

On September 13th COAGA provided 4 hours of CPE credit to attendees of our monthly education luncheon, which was held at the Columbus Main Library. Fred Church, Deputy Budget Director at the Ohio Office of Budget and Management provided a survey of business and government forecasting.

## **Recent Community and Social Events**

On Saturday, September 30, 2017 at Alum Creek State Park Beach 15 members and guest participated in the 5K for K9's hosted by Friends of the Shelter. Friends of the Shelter is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that was founded in 2003 to help fund the medical care for the sick and injured dogs at the Franklin County Dog Shelter. Each year, the organization helps save the lives of over 350 deserving dogs! During the event the Franklin County Dog Shelter had numerous adoptable dogs available to meet; to help the organization's mission COAGA donated \$500. Below two participants received ample love and affection from Harrison an adoptable dog at the Franklin County Dog Shelter. To see more adoptable dogs who need a loving home [click here](#).



On August 18 members, family, and friends attended the Columbus Clippers vs. Pawtucket Red Sox game witnessing the team win 11-4. On top of watching the Clippers win COAGA members and guests enjoyed stadium snacks and beverages with their \$20 clippers cash provided by COAGA.





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

	<u>Program Year 2018</u>	<u>Program Year 2017</u>
	July 1, 2017 to September 30, 2017	July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017
Revenues and support		
Chapter dues	\$ 383	\$ 1,993
Grants	-	-
Registrations	800	81,377
Sponsorships	7,000	9,107
Interest	5	26
Other	-	-
 Total revenue and support	 8,188	 92,503
Expenses:		
Program services:		
Professional development training	1,005	60,547
CGFM and professional certification	-	4,756
Community service	500	3,530
Education and CPE	1,170	7,636
Social and networking	2,508	10,515
Scholarship and awards	5,000	117
Other	-	9
	10,183	87,110
Support services:		
Management and general	4,585	6,856
 Total expenses	 14,768	 93,966
 Change in net assets	 (6,580)	 (1,463)
Net assets - beginning of year	59,666	61,129
Net assets - end of period/year	\$ 53,086	\$ 59,666



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Current members of the Central Ohio AGA Executive Committee include:

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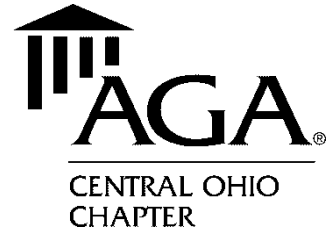
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