

Message From The President

I hope everyone had a great 4th of July holiday and everyone is still intact after shooting off fireworks. We have an officer's luncheon schedule for 11:45 on Monday, July 9 at Hickoks. If you are an officer, please plan on attending if at all possible. We have several topics to discuss including the Fall Seminar, review of our local chapter's financials as well as determining future luncheon speakers.

Mr. Eric Parker, Business Technology Specialist with Best Buy of Springfield will be our speaker at next Tuesday's, July 10 lunch meeting. Mr. Parker will be speaking to us on the latest in technology trends of various hardware equipment including laptops, desktops and smart phones. This should be very informative and interesting.

I attended the Nashville PDC, which was another great conference. At the conference I attended a couple of Chapter leadership meetings in which various presidents and officers discussed how each chapter was marketing its local chapter. I will share some of those ideas at our July meeting.

Finally, we have a community service event scheduled at the **Oasis Inn and Convention Center on Thursday evening, July 12 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. in support of the Ozarks Literacy Council** and its annual trivia night. We have a couple of spots open for anyone who would like to attend. Just let me know.

Thanks and see you next Tuesday.

Jerry

The Ozarks Chapter July Meeting Event

**Meeting Location: The Tower Club
21st Floor**

Tuesday, July 10, 2007

12:00 Noon

This month's Speaker:

**Eric Parker
Business & Technology Specialist**
from
Best Buy, Inc.

**Topic: Hardware Technology Update:
"The Latest and Greatest in
Computers, Laptops and Smartphones"**

Eric Parker is a Business Technology Specialist with Best Buy. He is also a certified Microsoft Small Business Specialist. He has been with Best Buy for two years.

RSVP:

Cindy Stein 868-4120
cstein@greencountymo.org
by Monday, July 9, 3:00 PM

Community Service Event

Please join us in support of the Literacy Council's annual Trivia Night at the Oasis Hotel on Glenstone Ave. We need two or three more to fill our table of eight. If you are good at trivia, you won't want to miss it. It will be a fun evening! I hear there will be prizes!!

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

AGA



Registration is now open for **AGA's Second National Internal Control & Fraud Conference**, to be held September 10-11, 2007 at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta Hotel in Atlanta, GA.

With a theme of "Combating Fraud: Strategies for Success," the conference will focus on management's responsibility for ensuring a good system of internal controls and the role of all accountability professionals in minimizing the risk of fraud, waste and abuse. Hear from leaders in government and private industry who will discuss the latest discovery techniques and lessons learned from various schemes, and how different levels of government are cooperating to improve services to citizens.

The "Fraud Conference" will bring together leaders from all levels of government, the private sector and academia. In addition to an outstanding technical program, this event offers unparalleled opportunities to network, exchange ideas and share best practices with colleagues and friends.

Register online:

<https://members.agacgfm.org/source/security/member-logon.cfm?origin=meetings>

Register by mail:

http://www.agacgfm.org/fraud_2006/downloads/RegistrationForm.pdf

Registration Fees

A full conference attendee registration package includes the opportunity to earn up to 14 CPE hours, entrance to all education sessions, two continental breakfasts, four refreshment breaks, two luncheons and a registration tote bag.

AGA Member	Fax/Mail
Early (By Sept. 5)	\$395
Standard (After Sept. 5)	\$475
Non-member	Fax/Mail
Early (By Sept. 5)	\$495
Standard (After Sept. 5)	\$575

Hyatt Regency Atlanta

265 Peachtree Street NE
Atlanta, Georgia USA
Reservations: 404.577.1234 or 800.233.1234

AGA Room Rate: \$115 (Plus Tax)

Reservation Deadline: September 1, 2006

Performance Management and Reporting Focus of August 8 Audio Conference

AGA, in conjunction with the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT) and the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA) is pleased to announce a new and increasingly important topic to our audio conference participants—**Performance Management and Reporting**. This audio conference, set for 2 - 3:50 pm EDT and worth 2 CPE hours, will explore why performance management and reporting allows government officials to improve service delivery and resource allocation by disclosing strengths and weaknesses to citizens and management and making changes based on those disclosures. So, are you a government official who wants to learn more about performance management and reporting? Are taxpayers in your community unaware of the good that government performs? With transparency and accountability as the watchwords for effective, efficient and honest government, performance management and reporting should be on the political agenda of any official to inform constituents how and on what government is spending tax dollars. Taxpayers should demand nothing less. To share their practical experiences in performance management and reporting and to learn the latest in the GASB Service Efforts and Accomplishments Project will be three industry experts. Cost is \$249 per site (unlimited attendance) if you register on or before **Friday, August 3, 2007**, and \$299 thereafter.

IMA

Institute of Management Accountants Seventh Annual Professional Education Seminar

Co-hosted by Missouri State University School of Accountancy

Location: University Plaza Hotel,
Springfield, MO

Date: September 12 - 14, 2007

CPE: Earn up to a total of 17 CPE hours (including the Kick-off).

Registration fees:

Before August 24, 2007: \$275.00

After August 24, 2007: \$325.00

Student Fee: \$40.00

A list of speakers can be found on the conference website:

<http://www.morriscenter.missouristate.edu/Heartlandcpe/conferences.htm>

Contact Terry Jones for more information:

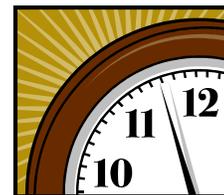
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CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2007



Jerry Mitchell called the combined meeting of AGA and IMA to order at 12:09 PM. Cindy Stein moved the treasurer's report and minutes of the June 12th meeting be approved as published in the newsletter. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

Jerry congratulated Deb Fraley for her work on the newsletter and the recognition she has received from AGA national.

Jerry reviewed the slate of officers up for election as follows:

President	Jerry Mitchell
President Elect	To be determined
Treasurer	Vicki Franke
Secretary	Teresa Allen
Chapter Recognition Officer	Deb Gillenwaters
Membership Officer	Justin Hill
Newsletter Editor	Deb Fraley
Webmaster	Linda Charles

Cindy Stein moved to approve the slate of 07-08 officers, Teresa Allen seconded. The motion was approved by voice vote.

The discussion of the fall seminar was tabled pending an investigation of the contractual obligations of the chapter.

The discussion regarding quarterly versus monthly meetings was also tabled.

Terry Jones of IMA reviewed the Seventh Annual Professional Education Seminar, Co-hosted by Missouri State University School of Accountancy to be held at University Plaza September 12 – 14, 2007.

Jerry announced a chapter officer's meeting to be held at Hikok's on Monday July 9th at 11:45 AM.

Jerry introduced the speaker, Mr. Bill Ingemi. Bill spoke about nutrition and the effects it has on the body and the body's reaction to daily activities, including stressors.

Jerry adjourned the meeting at 1:35 PM.

2007 OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement Issued

In May, the Office of Management and Budget issued the 2007 OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement. The supplement, which is updated each year, identifies important compliance requirements that the federal government expects to be considered as part of an audit in accordance with the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Appendix V, List of Changes for the 2007 Compliance Supplement

(www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133_compliance/07/app_5.pdf), is a key piece of guidance that identifies the changes that OMB has made to the supplement. The 2007 supplement (www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133_compliance/07/07toc.html) is effective for audits of fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2006, and supersedes the 2006 supplement. To purchase a print copy of the supplement, contact the Government Printing Office at 202/512-1800. The stock number is 041-001-00643-5.

CPE Online for the Summer Journal Available

By reading an issue of *The Journal of Government Financial Management*, and taking the relevant quiz, you can earn **3 Continuing Professional Education (CPE) hours**. Help yourself and your career by increasing your knowledge of the government financial management environment.

Before you can take a quiz, you must first **Register** to take a **single quiz**, or **Subscribe** to take any **four quizzes** at a discounted price. After registration and payment approval, you will be able to enter your **email** address and **password** on the main page of this section to call up and take quizzes. (<http://www.agacgfm.org/cpeonline/default.aspx>) You may also print out a quiz and research your answers offline before actually completing it. Good Luck!

<http://www.agacgfm.org/cpeonline/>

Cost for One Exam:

Member \$30 / Non-member \$56

Cost for Four Exams:

Member \$109 / Non-member \$204

Fees are non-refundable.

Technology Tip of the Month

MOCPA.org Maintaining Formatting when Refreshing PivotTables



PivotTables provide a great way to analyze large amounts of data and pull out the summarizations that you need. Once you have the PivotTable displaying the values you need, you can then format the table to make the data presentable—for a while. You see, when you update the data on which the PivotTable is based, and then refresh the PivotTable, all your formatting work may go away.

The way around this is to follow these steps:

1. Make sure that your PivotTable displays the values you want.
2. Format the PivotTable in whatever way desired.
3. On the PivotTable toolbar, choose Table Options from the PivotTable menu. Excel displays the PivotTable Options dialog box.
4. Make sure the Preserve Formatting check box is selected.
5. Click OK.

Now, when you refresh the PivotTable, your previously applied formatting should remain on rows and columns previously in the PivotTable. If the refresh results in new rows being added to the PivotTable, then you will still need to format those.

The "Mr. Excel" website features a message board on which you can post your Excel questions. Be sure and check out the website, registration is free: www.mrexcel.com



*Happy Birthday to all who
are celebrating in June!!*



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*Deadline for articles: Friday-eleven days prior to meeting date
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