



August 2021 Newsletter

August Theme: “Going for the Goal”

In preparation of the return of football season, this month’s theme is “Going for the Goal”. Our goal this month is to grow our membership by 10%. We are holding a membership event at On The Border Easton this month and encourage members to bring a friend!

Congratulations to our Chapter for receiving the Silver Level Achievements in Chapter Excellence (ACE) Award. We’ve made Platinum in prior years and this year we are striving for the Gold!

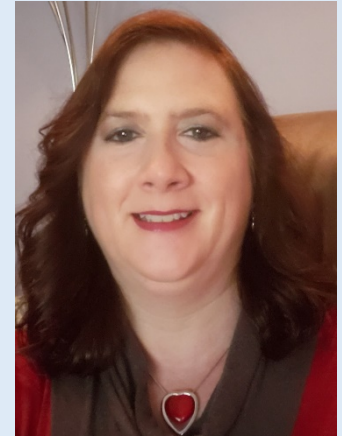
Watch for announcements for the Greater Columbus Chapter’s exciting fall events, including the start of a new “season” of educational webinars, our first one is Sept. 25th and our fall PDT in November. Your active participation is most welcome and will help in our journey of “going for the goal.”

It’s time to step up and volunteer for our Chapter’s largest fundraiser – working the merchandise booth at the Ohio State home football games! The first game is Saturday, September 11th, please consider volunteering for at least one game this season, we need your help! The funds earned help pay for our Webinars, luncheon speaker donations, and other Chapter expenses. But most of all, working the games is FUN!”

Want to be more involved in the Chapter? The Chapter is looking for individuals to fill some vacated CEC positions in Membership, Accountability, Chapter Historian and Budget and Finance. Please help the Chapter to grow by joining the CEC or recruiting new members.

“The trouble with not having a goal is that you can spend your life running up and down the field and never score.” – Bill Copeland

Connie Sombaty
Chapter President, Greater Columbus AGA



Treasurer's Report – as of July 31, 2021

Checking Balance: \$10,392.22 (↓ \$49.73)

Savings Balance: \$1,059.46 (No Change)

Certificate of Deposit: \$10,265.62 (↑ \$4.22)

What You Need To Know

Get Involved

Our Greater Columbus chapter currently has CEC Openings. Not interested in a position but want to help out? Serve on a Committee! We'd love to have you involved and it's a great way to build you resume. Contact any chapter leaders or greatercolumbusaga@gmail.com if you're interested.

Amazon SMILE

For all your Amazon purchases, shop at smile.amazon.com, and choose Greater Columbus Association Of Government Accountants as your preferred charitable organization. Instructions are at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Greater-Columbus-Chapter/Our-Chapter/Chapter-News/Help-Support-our-Chapter-with-Amazon-Smile!.aspx>

Become a CGFM

Consider studying and taking the tests to become a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM).

Having this certification gives you a leg up when seeking promotions in the Federal Government and can be used for your initial FM Certification! For

more info, contact Glenn Weimar or visit

<https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx>

Kroger Plus Community Rewards

Don't forget to help out our chapter with your Kroger Plus Card with Community Rewards! Find

Instructions on our website at

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/GreaterColumbus/Our-Chapter/Chapter-News/Kroger-Community-Rewards.aspx>

Keep Your AGA Information Up To Date

If you've recently changed your contact information,

such as your e-mail address, please update your

profile at www.agacgfm.org, so you can continue to receive communications from the chapter and AGA

National. Contact Will Kays if you have problems

receiving communications messages.

Remember: AGA is THE member organization for government financial management professionals. We lead and encourage change that benefits our field and all citizens. Our networking events, professional certification, publications and ongoing education help members build their skills and advance their careers.

Upcoming Membership & Volunteer Opportunities

Membership Drive!

Join us for the AGA Membership Drive on TACO TUESDAY August 24th from 5- 7 PM at On The Border Easton 4175 Morse Crossing, Columbus, OH 43219. Each member is asked to invite a friend (or two) to enjoy food, fun and fellowship! We are also collecting canned goods for the Mid-Ohio Food Bank as part of FEDS FEED FAMILIES!

Blessing Box Book Drive

The Blessing Box Project will be adding a blessing box in Whitehall 1 block from the DSCC Broad Street entrance. AGA will be collecting Financial Literacy Books to donate to the Blessing Box. The books can be dropped off during our AGA Membership Drive on August 24th or can be mailed to:

Catrina Davis-Harris P.O. Box 713 Columbus, OH 43216

Here is a list of suggested books that will be donated:

- “I Want More Pizza” by Steve Burkholder
- “Rich Dad Poor Dad for Teens” by Robert T. Kiyosaki
- “The Money Challenge for Teens” by Art Rainer

POC: Catrina Davis-Harris (614) 701-2546

August 2021 CEC Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Eric, Cindy, Glenn, Joe, Ben and Linda

Silver ACE Award – Believe that Connie planned to share that the chapter received this award and received a plaque in the mail.

PDT Planning – GotoWebinar limited to 250 attendees if we use that again. Eric gone from 10/20-10/27, asked about moving to November. Joe confirmed that in convo with ASMC that they want to team up again. No concerns with AGA CEC, Eric will reach out to ASMC to confirm they are good to move to November and start planning. Will need assistance to plan/host.

- August 15 – Prepare IRS Tax Form 990 Filing (due August 15)
- August 15 – Finalize Plans for September Luncheon Speaker (with ASMC)
- August 31 – Annual Organizational Management Office (OMO) Professional Development Event
- August 31 – Select/Pay Audio Conferences for upcoming Fiscal Year
 - New program available, can be used for luncheons/PDT – cost is \$250
 - Getting some additional info to see if it's beneficial
- September 15 – Finalize Plans for October AGA Conference Speakers
 - Eric going to set up a separate planning meeting
 - Have a list of potential speakers/outreach
- September 30 – 1st Quarter CRP deadline & notify RVP and SVPRS when complete
 - Cindy confirmed it has been completed.

Ben let Joe know that Catrina has a communication request, regarding food bank, etc.. She will provide some details
Scholarship payments made (2 at \$500 ea)

Upcoming Calendar of Chapter Events

AUGUST 24	Membership Drive – On the Border Easton	
SEPT 11	Potential OSU Game Volunteer Event – Oregon	Time TBD
FALL 2021	Full Webinar Listing Coming Soon Full OSU Volunteer Schedule Coming Soon	2 CPE/CET

**Greater Columbus AGA –
Officer & Chapter Executive Committee Roster**

President	Connie Sombaty
President-Elect	Leisha Hickman
Secretary	Linda Gover
Treasurer	Shane Nicklaus

Immediate Past-President	Cindy Shoe
National Council of Chapters Representative	Ben Thayer
Accountability Outreach	-Vacant-
By-Laws	Elizabeth Gibbs
Communications 1	Will Kays
Communications 2	Joe Scipione, CGFM
Community Service 1	Catrina Davis-Harris
Community Service 2	-Vacant-
CGFM 1	-Vacant-
CGFM 2	Glenn Weimar, CGFM
Education 1	Eric Gersper
Education 2	-Vacant-
Finance & Budget 1	-Vacant-
Finance & Budget 2	-Vacant-
Historian	-Vacant-
Leadership Development Committee	-Vacant-
Membership 1	-Vacant-
Membership 2	-Vacant-
Programs 1	Bob Palmieri, CGFM
Programs 2	Carolyn Lutz
Scholarships Committee	Ben Thayer

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