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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By DeeVee Pearson

It is hard to believe that we are half-way through this chapter year already! Our chapter has been busy. We had an excellent Fall Seminar, thank you to Joshua Walker and Will Cottrell. Our Holiday Event was great fun, thank you to Kaki Roberts, Alma Valley, Terri Bacca, and Shirley Jackson. The speakers at our monthly meetings have been top-notch, thank you Tyler Cain and Lateisha Moore. Lateisha and Elouise Evans have helped us be able to "give back" to our community through the DHS Angel Tree Project, donating canned goods to the Arkansas Food Bank, and helping to honor our fallen service men and women by participating in the Wreaths Across America project.

I can't say enough good things about our hard-working Executive Committee. As my grandmother used to say, many

hands make light work. We definitely have many hands at work here, with our great team who are all working hard to make our chapter strong.

Speaking of team work, it is time to put together our Nominating Committee to select those of our colleagues who will lead us forward into the New Year. Our bylaws require three past presidents plus three additional members to serve on this committee.

I invite you to consider this opportunity, especially if you have never served on an AGA committee. You can find out firsthand what a great group of folks we have, and we always welcome fresh insight.

Hope to see you at the next chapter meeting.





UPCOMING MONTHLY MEETINGS

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

Dale Ellis, Arkansas Department of Finance & Administration
Arkansas College Savings Plan 529

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

Chandria Willis, Arkansas Department of Finance & Administration
Risk Management

Monday, March 17, 2014

Bently Hovis, Pulaski County Treasurer's Office
Business Taxes, Disbursements, and Personal Property Taxes

All monthly meetings are held from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. in the 5th floor conference room of the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services building located at 2 Capitol Mall in Little Rock, Arkansas. One hour of CPE will be granted to all attendees.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Seminar

The 2014 Spring Seminar will be held Friday, May 16, 2014, at the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension. Please watch your e-mail for information regarding registration and topics.

Awards Banquet

The 2014 Central Arkansas AGA Awards Banquet will be held Monday, June 16, 2014. Location and time will be provided at a later date, so please watch your e-mail!

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HIGHLIGHTS

Attention New CGFMs

We hope you will become a CGFM mentor and help others reach their goal of becoming a CGFM. [Read more](#)

Need CPEs?

AGA offers several options for earning CPEs online—they are quick and cost-effective ways to meet your CPE requirement. [Read more](#)

CGFMs Survey

If you have not done so already, share your thoughts with us on the benefits of the CGFM designation. [Take the 10-question survey](#)

MAINTAINING DESIGNATION

Annual Renewal

The 2014 CGFM renewal season is almost here! Annual CGFM renewal payment is due by March 31. Starting in January, CGFMs can renew their designation online. Need to update your address? [Log into your AGA account](#) and update your contact information today!

CPE Cycle

If you earned your CGFM designation in an odd year (not including 2013), your two-year CPE cycle ends this Dec. 31. Please be sure you have earned your 80 CPE hours in government financial management topics or related technical subjects. If you are short on hours, you can utilize a grace period of Jan. 1-Mar. 31, 2014. Please see [CGFM CPE requirements](#) for more information.

CPE Documentation

When renewing, CGFMs do not need to submit supporting documentation of CPE hours earned. Payment, itself, serves as the CGFM's affirmation of compliance with CPE requirements. However, active CGFMs are required to maintain supporting documentation of CPE hours earned, for a minimum of three years, and provide it to AGA upon request. This documentation may be requested by AGA as part of an annual audit of a random sample of CGFMs. Please refer to [CGFM CPE requirements](#) for more information on maintaining your CPE documentation.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: December 2, 2013
 Meeting Time: 11:00 a.m.
 Meeting Location: AR Department of
 Workforce Services, 5th floor conference room

Members Present:

DeeVee Pearson	Kaki Roberts
Florence Price	Joshua Walker
Chandria Willis	Tyler Cain
Steven Petersen	Richard Drilling
Will Cottrell	

DeeVee Pearson called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.

Treasurer's Report

Steven Petersen e-mailed the treasurer's report to all board members prior to the meeting. There were no corrections made. Will Cottrell made a motion that the financial report be accepted as presented. Richard Drilling seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Steven has been in contact with the auditors, and they expect to have the report completed by Christmas. The fee will be similar to last year, with only a slight increase.

It was noted that two checks have been outstanding for a while. The check for the necklace was donated to the PDC and the scholarship check to Jazmine Allen have not been cashed.

Discussion was held concerning the membership fee increase. Steven and/or DeeVee will notify National of the increase.

Education

Joshua Walker stated that the fall conference was a huge success. The spring conference planning has begun. The conference will be held May 16, 2014 from 8:30—4:30.

Historian

Richard Drilling has pictures for the newsletter and the website. He asked that we forward him any information that we have that should be included in the historian's report.

Meetings & Awards

Kaki Roberts distributed a roster for the holiday party. Forty-one individuals signed up for the party. Forty-nine attended last year, and today is the last day to sign up. Kaki will provide the count to the Little Rock Club and we will add additional people later if anyone signs up late. DeeVee will send out a final reminder e-mail today.

Newsletter

DeeVee suggested asking the CPA firms who have AGA members if they would like to have an employee submit an article to be published in the newsletter. Chandria asked if everyone would begin sending her information to be included in the next newsletter.

Programs

Tyler Cain distributed an updated meeting schedule. We still need speakers for February, April, and May. The next monthly meeting will be held 1/21/14, and Dale Ellis with DFA will be the speaker. Suggestions were provided to Tyler regarding potential speakers to contact.

Website

Florence Price provided an update on our chapter website. The holiday party information has been put on the website, and the monthly meeting information will be put on there in the future. Will stated that the website needs to be updated to include a current President's Message as well.

Florence provided her new e-mail address as well: fdprice@hughes.net.

Nomination Committee

This committee should consist of three past presidents and three other members. Richard Drilling, Kaki Roberts, and Shannon Todd will be the past presidents on the committee. DeeVee will e-mail the membership to determine if anyone is interested in serving on the committee.

Scholarships

This topic will be tabled until our next meeting.

Regional VP Update

Don Bellcock is the current Regional Vice President (RVP). Brenda Jackson is the RVP Elect. Kaki Roberts has been asked to volunteer.

Minutes

Chandria Willis e-mailed the minutes from the November meeting to all board members prior to the meeting. Will Cottrell made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Other

The next executive committee meeting will be held January 6, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. The next membership meeting will be held January 21, 2014 at 12:00 noon.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

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Central Arkansas Chapter
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December 31, 2013

Revenue	Unrestricted
Education Seminars	5,165
Banquets	590
Chapter Sponsorships	2,250
Dues	148
AGA National	248
Interest Income	7
Miscellaneous Income	-
Total Revenues	8,408
Expenses	
Program Expenses	
Fall Seminar	645
Spring Seminar	-
Audioconference Expenses	96
PDC Expense	-
Holiday Party	2,947
Awards Banquet	-
Awards	-
Speaker Expense	-
Scholarships/Memorials	1,000
Community Service	325
Promotional Supplies	-
Recruitment	-
Website	188
Total Program Expenses	5,201
Management and Administrative Expenses	
Professional Fees	-
Post Office Box Rent	88
Executive Committee meeting expense	212
Banking Fees	34
Miscellaneous	-
Total Management and Administrative Expenses	334
Total Expenses	5,535
Change in Net Assets	2,873
Net Assets - Beginning of the Year	26,351
Net Assets - End of Year	29,224

Member Corner

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Congratulations to Karen Hill, a member of the Central Arkansas AGA family, for her recent promotion!



Jackson, Howell & Associates, PLLC with offices in West Memphis, Arkansas, and Cordova, Tennessee, is pleased to announce that Karen Hill, CPA has been promoted to member in the firm effective 1/1/2014. Karen was previously an audit manager and has been with Jackson Howell and Associates, PLLC since 1999. She is also a Certified Fraud Examiner and Certified Government Financial Manager. She is a member of a number of professional organizations, including the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and both the Tennessee and Arkansas Societies of CPAs. Karen is currently serving as Vice-President of Memphis Rotary Club, serves on the board of directors of the Mid-South Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and is a graduate of the Leadership Memphis 2013 Executive Program.

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Please join us in welcoming the following individuals to our chapter! We LOVE getting new members, and are ecstatic to welcome each of you to the Central Arkansas AGA Family!!!

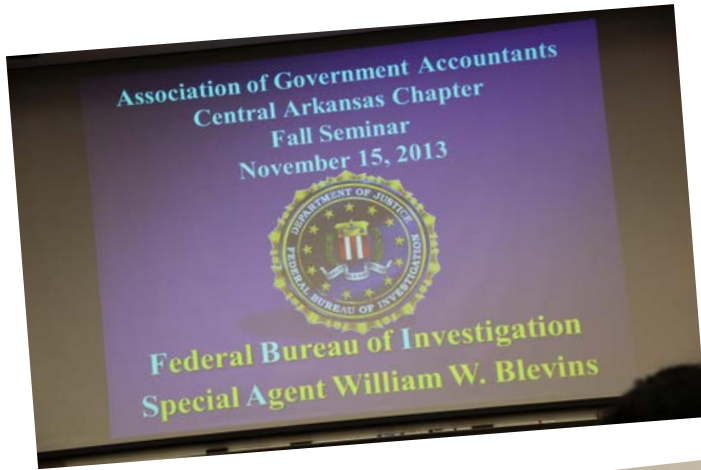
Ms. Lanetra D. Griffin-Jackson	Arkansas DHS-OFA
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Mr. Andrew Richards, CPA	BKD LLP
Mrs. Cathy Browning	Arkansas Dept of Finance and Admn
Miss Sharon P. Jones	AR DHS Payroll Dept
Ms. Natalie German	AR Dept of Human Services

Photo Gallery

2013 Fall Seminar



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2013 Holiday Party



2013 Holiday Party



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