



AGA

INLAND EMPIRE OF CALIFORNIA CHAPTER



The Bottom Line

Volume LIII, Issue 5 January/February 2016

Happy New Year 2016

NOW ACCEPTING:

- *2016-2017 BOARD NOMINATIONS
- *Nominate Member Of The Year
- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**
- *2 awards for Richard Curtis Memorial scholarship: \$500 & \$300
- *CGFM scholarship award: \$200

Join us Feb 24, 2016
with Patrick Rasmussen
on "Active Shooter Awareness Training"
details on pages 7.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

JANUARY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, Jan 13, 2016
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
DoubleTree
285 W. Hospitality Lane,
San Bernardino

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, Feb 24, 2016
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
County of San Bernardino Treasurer/Tax Collector
268 W. Hospitality Lane,
San Bernardino

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About The Bottom Line:

AGA Inland Empire Chapter's monthly newsletter, *The Bottom Line*, covers member and AGA activities at both the Chapter and National levels. *The Bottom Line* features Chapter news, developments within the profession and articles of interest to members. Opinions and beliefs expressed in *The Bottom Line* are those of the contributors and do not necessarily reflect those of the AGA.

We welcome and encourage members to send us original or reproduced articles that may be of interest to our members for publication in our newsletter. Articles are due by the end of the second week of each month.

Editorial contributions, ideas, or suggestions should be sent to the Newsletter Chair at ltostado@hss.sbcounty.gov.

President's Message

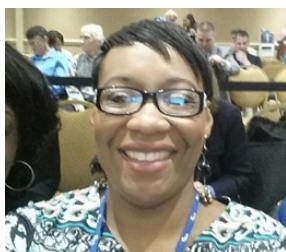
Greetings Fellow Accountability Professionals

Happy Valentines month and Happiest Tax Season! We would like to extend a special thank you to Frank from Eddie and Payne for bringing us the 2016 tax updates. We hope you will be able to use the information he provided this year.

This month (February), your AGA chapter is hosting toys and animal supplies donation drive. Please show your love and kindness by donating toys, and animal supplies such as dog beds, etc. A list of these items is available on the Animal Humane Society of San Bernardino's website. Please visit this website to see the wish list. Your AGA representative will take these items to the Animal Humane Society, a non-profit organization working to eliminate animal homelessness and abuse. In this month of love, please help! Your participation is greatly appreciated.

2016 is looking to be a great year for the Inland Empire AGA. We have some exciting speakers and trainings planned for you. Please remember to mark your calendars for the full day Conduct and Ethics Requirements training on April 13th from 8:30AM to 4:30PM. Breakfast and lunch will be served and we will have a special lunchtime speaker for this day! Sign-ups will begin soon. For those of you that need the CPE hours, the training will be worth 8-9 CPE hours. You don't want to miss this great occasion.

Our upcoming professional development meeting on February 24th will be an Active Shooter Awareness Training, by Officer Patrick Rasmussen of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office. We would like to thank him in advance for bringing this training to our members. We are living in very difficult and trying times, so we must be proactive!



Thank you for your continued support of the Inland Empire Association of Government Accountants. We look forward to seeing you at the meetings!

Sakura "Shay" Younger

President, AGA Inland Empire

Nominate the next Member of the Year

If you would like to nominate someone for Member of the Year, please complete the form on page 14.

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Member News

CONGRATULATIONS!
to Shay Younger and her bouncing baby
boy Tory!!

Scholarship Opportunities

Visit: <http://www.dosomething.org/scholarships/opportunities>, <http://www.fastweb.com>, <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

Volunteer Opportunities :

Visit: <http://www.handsoninlandempire.org>,
<http://www.volunteermatch.org>

Check out AGA's Young Professionals Career Center help section at www.agacgfm.org/Career-Center/Young-Professionals.aspx

Annual Training Calendar

Date	Location	Subject	Speaker/Agency
Sep. 23	SB Inland Regional Center	Identity Theft	Lolita Harper
Oct. 14	SB Inland Regional Center	Affordable Care Act	Eudora Mitchell
Nov. 18	SB DoubleTree	Forensic Auditing & COSO Internal Control	LA County & Darren Scott-Seminar Denise Mejico -Lunch
Dec 9	SB Hall of Records	Cal Card Audits	Hong Nguyen, Eadie and Payne
Jan 13	SB DoubleTree	2015 Tax Updates	Frank Zabaleta, Eadie and Payne
Feb 24	SB Auditor-Controller	Active Shooter Awareness Training	Patrick "Razz" Rasmussen
Mar 9	SB HS Auditing	Budgets updates	Tanya Harris
Apr 13	SB DoubleTree	Ethics TBD	Charles Hester - Seminar TBD - Lunch
May 11	SB HS Auditing	Career Development: Your next move	Diana Atkeson

Chapter Officers:

Community Services Chair

Lena Crowley, CPA
Lena.Crowley@atc.sbcounty.gov

Scholarship and Awards Chair

Position Open

Employment Chair

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[Renew Now!](#)

Don't miss a moment of the
benefits of AGA membership:
trainings, publications, and more...

AGA Regional Representatives:

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Internet Resources

Larry Lai

Local Chapter Website: TBD

National Website: <http://www.agacgfm.org>

Also, look under “Government Financial Management Resources” on the Internet. This section has links to most of the accounting organizations, standards setting bodies and federal agencies.

Also check out these websites:

<http://www.gfoa.org/>

<http://www.specialdistrictcareers.com>

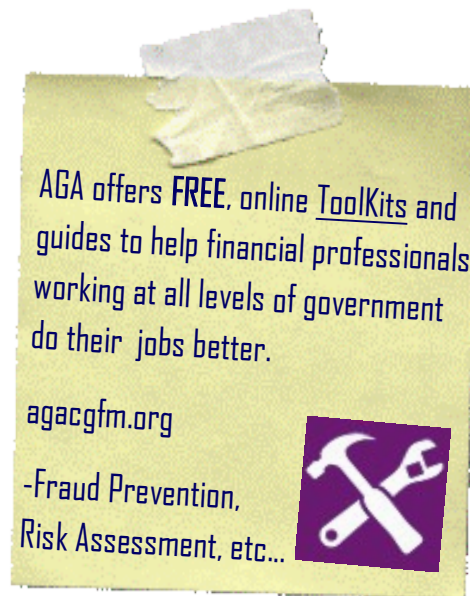
<http://www.govexec.com/>

<http://www.accountingweb.com/>

<http://www.csac.counties.org/>

<http://www.governing.com>

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Inland Empire Chapter
on Facebook**



Share the good news! If you or someone in your office has reached a career milestone, completed training or received certification, earned a promotion, or accomplished a personal goal, please forward the information to ltostado@hss.sbcounty.gov to be posted in *The Bottom Line*.

The Bottom Line



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APPLICATION FOR THE CGFM SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Applicant must be pursuing the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) certification.
2. Applicant must be employed by the government sector.
3. Applicant must be involved in his/her community.
4. Applicant must submit a copy of the most recent CGFM exam purchase or CGFM study guide receipts.
5. Applicant must submit a resume and 2 letters of recommendation from either an employer or community service organization.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE: (____) _____ – _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

AGA Member? Yes:___ No:___ Family relationship to member? Yes:___ No:___

Give member name and relationship: _____

Please attach to this application an essay that includes all of the following information:

Why are you a good candidate for this scholarship?

Describe your career/academic achievements

Describe your extracurricular activities, if any

Describe your career goals

Please return applications by **April 15, 2016** to the following address:

AGA - Inland Empire Chapter
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 692
San Bernardino, CA 92402-692

The scholarship will be presented at our professional development luncheon meeting on May 11, 2016.

Disclaimer: The scholarship committee of this AGA chapter reserves the right to select the best qualified candidates for this scholarship. All decisions of the scholarship committee are final. Previous winners are ineligible to apply.



INLAND EMPIRE OF CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

APPLICATION FOR THE RICHARD CURTIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Applicant must be pursuing a degree in accounting, economics, finance, information technology, public administration, or any other related field.
2. Applicant must display outstanding academic achievement. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is required.
3. Applicant must be involved in his/her community.
4. Applicant must submit a copy of the most recent grade report or transcript.
5. Applicant must submit 2 professional letters of recommendation from a business, school or community service organization representative.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

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School/University: _____

Current GPA: _____ Major: _____

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Professional Development Meeting

From Linda Tostado

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, February 24, 2016

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Auditor Controller/Tax Collector 268 W Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino

(Directions on page 12)

“Active Shooter Awareness Training”

Speaker: Patrick "Razz" Rasmussen, Deputy Sheriff, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department

Menu: Chef's Choice

Cost: \$25.00 Members
\$30.00 Non-Members
\$10.00 Student Members
\$14.00 Student Non-Members

Reservations: call (909) 383-9658 or
email ltostado@hss.sbcounty.gov

Deadline: Tuesday, February 23, 2016, 12:00 pm

IMPORTANT:

Please remember if a reservation is made but unattended, then the attendee is responsible for payment. (But if you let me know before the meeting that you will be unable to attend, I might be able to sell your ticket to someone who requests a reservation after the deadline.)

SORRY - NO REFUNDS FOR LUNCH CANCELLATIONS

JANUARY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

“2015 Tax Updates”

Speaker: Frank Zabaleta, Tax and Accounting Partner, Eadie and Payne, LLP

Cost: \$25.00 Members
\$30.00 Non-Members
\$10.00 Student Members
\$14.00 Student Non-Members

Reservations: call (909) 383-9658 or email ltostado@hss.sbcounty.gov

Deadline: Friday, January 8, 2016, 5:00 pm

Let us know what you think!!

Share your thoughts with us at our Facebook page:

Association of Government Accountants - Inland Empire Chapter

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Association-of-Government-Accountants-Inland-Empire-Chapter/242852859088346>.



AGA – Inland Empire of California Chapter Ethics and Regulatory Review

**April 13, 2016 from 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (earn 9 CPE credits)
The DoubleTree –285 E. Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino, CA 92408**

About the Seminar

Featured Morning and Afternoon Speaker: Mr. Charles Hester, CPA, CFF, FCPA, CFE, CFIP, CGFM



Charles (Chuck) Hester, Sr. served as the Western District Inspector General and Audit Manager for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) until his retirement in 1995. Chuck is currently an instructor for various organizations, including Graduate School's Government Audit Training Institute in Washington, DC, and the Pacific Islands Training Institute in Honolulu, HI. Chuck has also taught for the Association of Government Accountants' Education and Research Foundation, the California Association of State Auditors, and various other accounting and auditing professional organizations. In addition, Chuck has served as a Special Consultant for the Asian Development Bank, the Supreme Court of the Republic of Palau and for various CPA firms. In addition, Chuck has served as the Team Leader or Team Member for External Peer (Quality Control) Reviews for numerous national, state, and local audit agencies.

Chuck is a member of various professional auditing and accounting organizations and has written several articles that have been published in professional journals. Chuck is certified in Financial Forensics by the AICPA. In California, Chuck currently serves as member of the Qualifications Committee for the California Board of Accountancy. Chuck was also appointed to the California State Bar's Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation. In the past Chuck has served on the Disciplinary Board of the Oregon State Bar and on the Oregon Boards of Geologists, Engineers, and Land Surveyors. Chuck is the recipient of the Faculty Excellence Award from the Graduate School. Chuck has also received numerous other awards including the Jack Birkholz Leadership Award presented by the Western Intergovernmental Audit Forum and the Education and Training Award presented by the National Association of Government Accountants.



Luncheon Speaker, TBD - Topic: TBD

Who Should Attend: All Accounting, Auditing, Budget, Finance and Fiscal Analysts

Continental Breakfast, lunch and refreshments are included in the cost of the seminar

COST: \$129 for Members, \$179 for Non-Members

To REGISTER, PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND FULL PAYMENT TO:

Association of Government Accountants-Inland Empire Chapter, P.O. Box 692, San Bernardino, CA 92402-0692

For more information, please contact Shay Younger at (909) 382-3109

or by email at Sakura.Younger@atc.sbcounty.gov, or you may contact any AGA Board Member.



Ethics and Regulatory Review

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Wednesday, April 13, 2016

The DoubleTree

285 E. Hospitality Lane
San Bernardino, CA 92408

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Cost is \$129 Members and \$179 Non-members

Sponsored by the Inland Empire Chapter
of the Association of Government Accountants

EARN 9 HOURS OF CPE

Payment must be received by Friday, April 8, 2016

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Member (\$129) ☐

Non-Member (\$179) ☐

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

Association of Government Accountants

MAIL TO:

AGA - Inland Empire
PO Box 692
San Bernardino, CA 92402-0692

Price includes all materials, continental breakfast, lunch and refreshments.

Registration and payment must be received by Friday, April 8, 2016. For additional information, please contact Shay Younger at (909) 382-3109 or by email at Sakura.Younger@atc.sbcounty.gov or you may contact any AGA Board Member.

No show, No refunds, No exceptions! Thank you for understanding.

Thank you for your participation!

Advancing Government Accountability

National and Regional AGA News

It's time to renew your membership!

Renew your membership now so you can continue taking advantage of [benefits](#) including publications, complimentary webinars and savings on events. [Renew now](#)

CEO: What the new year brings for AGA

CEO Ann Ebberts shares insights on shared challenges profession-wide and what the future holds for AGA. [Read more](#)

Complimentary exams for CGFM® candidates

Participate in our March 2016 Intensive Review Course and your exams are on us! Space is limited—register today! [Learn more](#)

The Universe of Ethics: the Buck Stops with You!

Understand how laws, codes of conduct, education and cultures intersect to develop effective ethics and compliance programs. [Learn more](#)

"For CFOs, recent laws make their roles more complicated"— Office of Management and Budget, National Science Foundation CFO weigh in

NSF CFO Martha Rubenstein, OMB Controller Dave Mader and MIT Center for Finance and Policy Director Doug Criscitello discuss the CFO Act. [Read more from Federal News Radio](#) | [Report synopsis from Federal Computer Week](#)

Award season is underway!

Nominate an individual or chapter for AGA's Awards of Distinction by March 30. Winners will be featured at PDT 2016. [Learn more](#)

AGA Calendar:

Federal Financial Systems Summit

Jan. 19, 2016

Washington, D.C.

National Leadership Training

Feb. 23-24, 2016

Washington, D.C.

Professional Development Conference

July 17 - 20, 2016

Anaheim, CA

Internal Control & Fraud Prevention Training

Sep. 15-16, 2016

Washington, D.C.

National AGA site: www.agacgfm.org



Are you prepared for AGA's CGFM Exams?

The CGFM Training Series

Consists of three courses, offered throughout the U.S.

- ★ Develop a broad base of knowledge in government auditing, accounting, financial management and budgeting
- ★ Get up-to-date information on the latest policies and procedures
- ★ Discover how to work more effectively in government environments and on related projects



Upcoming Audio/ Web Conferences 2015-2016

- Jan 13 Evidence Based Policy Making — Making the Right Decisions to Improve Programs
- Jan 21 Establishing Enterprise Risk Management in Management Practices (free webinar)
- Jan 27 Government Financial Management
- Feb 3 Managing in a Multi-Generational Workplace
- Feb 17 Data Analytics and Fraud Detection

The audio/web conferences are held on
Wed 2–3:50 p.m. ET

Employment Opportunities

From Rhonda Neill

Agency: City of Rialto
Job Title: Finance Manager
Closing Date: Until filled
Salary: \$89,280 to \$119,652 annually
Website: <http://www.rialtoca.gov>

Agency: University of California, Riverside
Job Title: Financial Operations Manager
Closing Date: Until filled
Salary: \$64,400 to \$95,600 annually
Website: www.ucr.edu

Agency: Riverside County
Job Title: Senior Internal Auditor
Closing Date: March 8, 2016
Salary: \$55,413 to \$87,378 annually
Website: www.rc-hr.com

Agency: University of California, Riverside
Job Title: Payroll Accountant
Closing Date: Until filled
Salary: \$63,900 to \$88,850 annually
Website: www.ucr.edu

Agency: City of San Bernardino
Job Title: Accounting Manager
Closing Date: Until filled
Salary: \$82,752 to \$100,596 annually
Website: www.sbcity.org/jobs

Agency: University of California, Riverside
Job Title: SOM Senior Financial Analyst
Closing Date: Until filled
Salary: \$57,400 to \$85,300 annually
Website: www.ucr.edu

Agency: County of San Bernardino
Job Title: Internal Review Accountant I-IV
Closing Date: Until filled
Salary: \$37,232.00 to \$83,428.80 Annually
Website: www.sbcounty.gov

Agency: County of San Bernardino
Job Title: Investment Officer
Closing Date: priority screening Feb 26, 2016
Salary: Depends on Qualifications
Website: www.sbcounty.gov/hr

Agency: SBCERA (County of San Bernardino)
Job Title: Senior Accountant
Closing Date: Mar 7, 2016
Salary: \$70,497.55 - \$104,755.65 annually
Website: www.sbcounty.gov/hr

Agency: University of California, Riverside
Job Title: Financial Analyst I
Closing Date: Feb 29, 2016
Salary: \$38,500 to \$47,800 annually
Website: www.ucr.edu



Visit AGA's Career Center at
<http://aga.careerbank.com>

Volunteer and Community Services

Members interested in helping the community are encouraged to participate in a community event of their choice and provide information to the chapter for inclusion in the newsletter.

Please donate whole blood, plasma, or platelets. It's the gift of life!

Our chapter has an ongoing blood drive with the Blood Bank of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties for the community blood plan. Please write "GCAG" in the donor group. If you have questions, donor centers are located in San Bernardino (909-885-6503), Riverside (951-687-2530), Ontario (909-987-3158), and High Desert (760-949-6344), Upland (909)920-0625.

Nominate the next Outstanding Contribution to Government Accounting Award

If you would like to nominate someone for this award, please complete the form on page 15.

2016 - 2017 Chair Members Nominations

If you would like additional information or would like to nominate someone for the following positions please contact Sakura.Younger@atc.sbcounty.gov

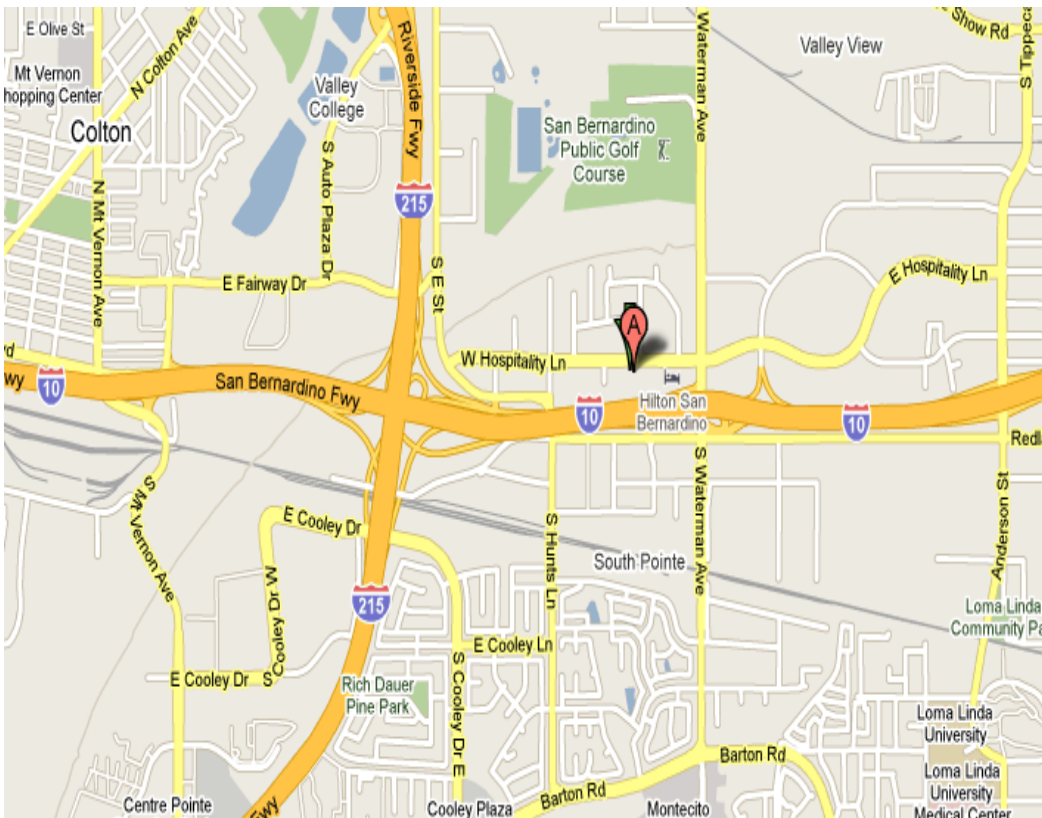
The following are open Chapter Officer positions:

Board Positions

**-President - President-Elect
-Treasurer -Secretary**

Chapter Chair Positions

**-Awards/Scholarship -Accountability –Auditor
-CGFM -Community Services –Early Careers
-Education –Employment -Historian -Hospitality
-Membership -Newsletter –Research –Webmaster**



Professional Development Meeting

**DoubleTree
268 W. Hospitality Lane
San Bernardino, CA**

**From the I-215 FWY,
East on I-10, North on
S. Waterman Ave,
West on Hospitality Lane, on north side of street**

Volunteer and Community Services



YOUR LOCAL AGA CHAPTER IS HOSTING AN ANIMAL TOYS AND SUPPLIES DONATION DRIVE!

This Valentine's Day, give love and kindness by **donating animal items** such as toys, food, beds, and other items displayed on the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley's website **wish list**, to your local AGA representative.

Animal Humane Society is a non-profit organization which promotes respect for animal life, fosters positive animal-human bonds and works to eliminate animal homelessness and abuse

If you have any questions please contact Lena Crowley at: Lena.Crowley@atc.sbcounty.gov or (909) 382-3108

NOMINATION FORM: MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Date: _____

To: AGA CEC, PO Box 692, San Bernardino, CA 92402-0692 or e-mail ltostado@hss.sbcounty.gov.

Nominator: _____

Contact Info: _____ (email address)

_____ (phone - optional)

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Employer: _____

Department: _____

Job Title: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Reason(s) for Nomination:

NOMINATION FORM: OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING

Date: _____

To: AGA CEC, PO Box 692, San Bernardino, CA 92402-0692 or e-mail ltostado@hss.sbcounty.gov.

Nominator: _____

Contact Info: _____ (email address)

_____ (phone - optional)

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Employer: _____

Department: _____

Job Title: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Reason(s) for Nomination:
