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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear AGA – Central Ohio Chapter members,

Hello Spring! We hope everyone has had a great start to 2025.

First, Central Ohio AGA would like to congratulate our chapter member Dr. Carri L. Brown, County Auditor in Fairfield County, for being awarded the 2025 Excellence in Government Leadership Award by National AGA. This award honors individuals whose leadership, achievements, and service advanced financial management, strengthened the association and improved communities.

March was CGFM month! Governor DeWine issued a proclamation to dedicate March as CGFM month in Ohio. We celebrated with a CGFM information session on March 11th and had Katya Silver, Director of Professional Certification (AGA), share information about how to become certified and the benefits of earning this designation. The certification is relevant to our profession as governmental financial managers and provides a great option for those not looking at the CPA path.

AGA extended the annual membership renewal and CGFM certification deadline to April 30th. So if you have not renewed your membership there is still time to renew and recruit new members by going to the membership section on the national website, <https://www.agacgfm.org/Membership.aspx>.

Next quarter, we are looking forward to hosting our annual golf outing at New Albany Links on May 16th. The registration fee will include green fees, cart, and lunch. So please join us for a fun relaxing day of golf and networking. Central Ohio AGA will also be hosting a family zoo outing at the Columbus Zoo on June 28th. The zoo outing will include lunch and an animal encounter from 1-3 PM in the Lakeside Pavilion. Please follow the link to register for these events, <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Central-Ohio-Chapter/Community.aspx>.

Future Monthly sessions include:

May 6th: Internal Controls and Risk

June 3rd: Cybersecurity 2025 update

We also want to encourage members to volunteer to be on the Executive Committee and Education Committee. These positions provide members with valuable leadership skills and networking opportunities. If you are interested, please reach out to chapter leadership at executive.coaga@gmail.com.

Visit our website, LinkedIn or Facebook page to keep up to date with your Central Ohio AGA Chapter.



Erin Hill, CGFM

2024-2025 Central Ohio AGA President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| • Daisy Barham | • Karen First | • Sylvia Eileen Reed |
| • John Beal | • Nicole Brianne Goldbach | • Takeisha Reese |
| • Elizabeth Bennett | • Garyn S. Greene | • Linnette Schaffer |
| • Amy Berger | • Elnora Hamilton | • Ivy S. Sheeler |
| • Brent Bester | • Elizabeth Howard | • Sharon Elaine Singletary |
| • Logan Gerald Burns | • Julia Yvonne Kenton | • Todd Stahr |
| • Jill M. Butler | • Eileen Kunkler | |
| • TJ Cusick | • Deanna R. Miller | |
| • Brittany English | • Casey Orem | |

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

5 Years

- Tina Archangel
- Jason R. Cowman
- Sandra Hegarty
- Brad Higgins
- Ousmane Ndao
- Matthew H. Perry
- Sarah E. Ramsey McKee

10 Years

- Dennis Sklenicka
- James Vehslage

15 Years

- Jennifer Birkemeier
- Mary Ann Ferraro
- Robyn Roush

25+ Years

- William Ault
- Michael Balestra
- James Brubeck
- Jennifer Carson
- Jared Cottrell
- Kristine Devine

- Russell Elliott
- Glen Gram
- Shawn Hufstedler
- Christopher Johnson
- Kevin O'Connor
- Ginger Sampson
- Christopher Schornack
- Glenna Spohn Plaisted
- Douglas Zimmerman

Thank you for your dedicated membership!

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<https://www.linkedin.com/in/central-ohio-association-of-government-accountants-b76068190>

UPCOMING WEBINAR

Internal Controls & Risk Management– May 6, 2025

Registration: [Registration Link](#)

We will discuss the 5 components of internal controls (control environment, risk assessment, information and communication, control activities, and monitoring). This will include definitions and best practices for each component including discussion on how this relates to and impacts an audit and protects your entity as well as the inherent limitations of internal controls. The session will cover fraud and risk assessments including the Cressey Fraud Triangle, risk identification and how to respond to the risks identified. We will provide fraud facts from the most recent and relevant fraud studies. Lastly we will provide real world examples and discuss method to prevent fraud. Lastly, there will be open discussion and opportunity for questions.

Presenters:

Chad Gorfido, CPA Chad Gorfido graduated from Kent State University with a bachelors in accounting and finance. He has worked with Rea and Associates for 15 years where he works with School Districts, Cities, Counties, and State Agencies providing audit and consulting services. Chad holds a CPA and Advanced Single Audit Certificate from the AICPA.

Allie Rodgers, CFE Allie Rodgers graduated from Ohio Dominican University with a bachelor's in accounting and from Ohio Northern University with a master's in accounting. She has worked with Rea and Associates for 8 years with School Districts and Cities providing audit and consulting services. Allie holds a certified fraud examiner (CFE) certification.

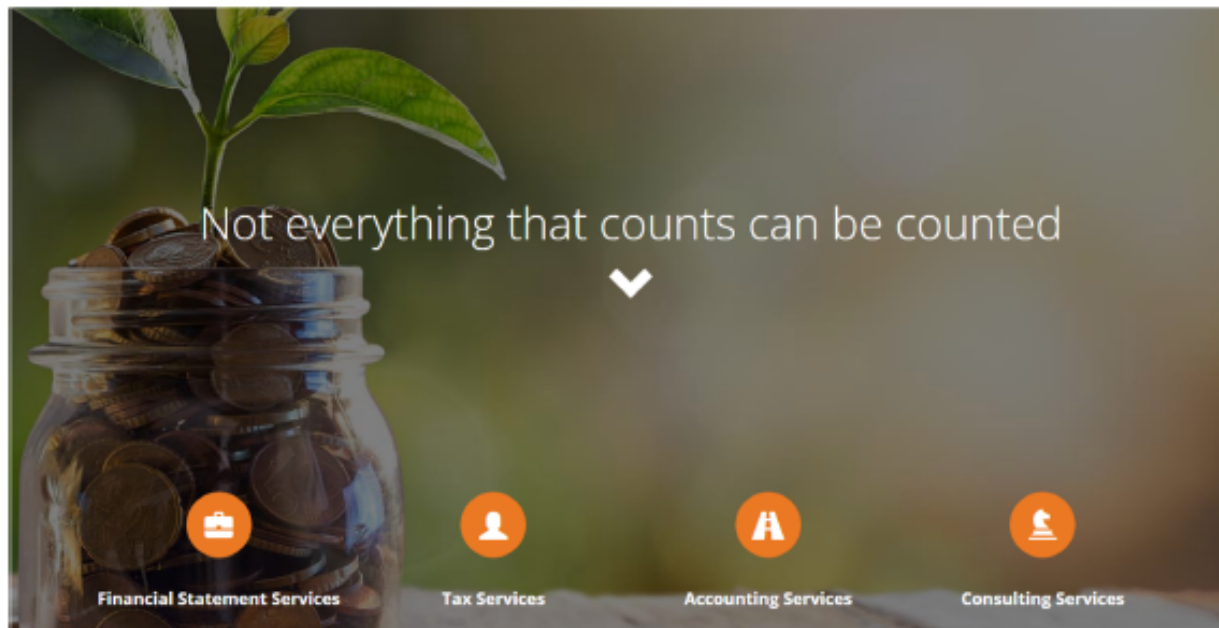
JOB POSTINGS

Please visit our Job Postings page at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Central-Ohio-Chapter/Our-Chapter/Job-Postings.aspx> to find out about potential openings in your area. Any Organizations wanting to have job openings posted on the COAGA website may email our webmaster Tony at tertuliani@live.com to add a position to the board.



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PLANNING 2025 PDT

October 21st and 22nd , 2025

The AGA - Central Ohio Chapter's 40th Annual Professional Development Training will be here before we know it! The annual COAGA favorite is slated for October 21 - 22, 2025 at the Quest Conference Center 9200 Worthington Road Ste. 400, Westerville. Near Polaris Mall.

Featuring:

Mark Mitchell, 2025/2026 National AGA President

Paul Wylie, 1992 Winter Olympic Figure Skating Silver Medalist

David Bean, retired GASB Director of Research and Technical Activities for over 30 years and 121st inductee to the Accounting Hall of Fame

Dr. Carri Brown, Fairfield County Auditor and recipient of both 2024 Central Ohio Chapter and 2025 National AGA Excellence in Government Leadership Awards

Josh Winfrey, NASACT Executive Director

Michael Barton, Member AICPA Accounting and Review Services Committee

Dr. Jeremy Graves, founder and CEO of JGG Coaching & Consulting in Boise, Idaho

Stacie Massey, Deputy Director of Grants and Financial Reporting at the Ohio Office of Budget and Management

Dr. Toby Groves will also present a 3 CPE Ethics session which meets requirements of Ohio Accountancy Board



Reasons to attend this 2-day conference:

- Cost effective CPE hours – obtain up to 16 CPE's
- Several hours of CPIM approved sessions
- Nationally recognized industry leaders from the AICPA, NASACT, AGA, and others
- Timely updates about federal single audits and grants, fraud, ethics, leadership related sessions, and more!
- Required Ohio Accountancy Board 3 CPE "Ethics" training available
- Gain valuable insights into the latest industry trends, emerging challenges, and key developments that directly impact your career growth and success
- Networking



Registration will be opening this summer, but save the date now!

Hope to see you there!



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2025 COAGA SCHOLARSHIP

The Central Ohio Chapter of the AGA (COAGA) would like to thank all applicants of the 2025 AGA chapter scholarships.

The five scholarships will be awarded to active members, or other selected candidates who are currently enrolled in a college or university's accounting, business, finance, or computer sci-ence programs (or college acceptance pending). Children/grandchildren of an active AGA member who are currently enrolled in full or part-time study in a college or university with any major also qualify (or college acceptance pending). The scholarship award winners will be announced no later than May 31, 2025.

For additional information visit: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Central-Ohio-Chapter/OurChapter/Scholarship-and-Awards.aspx>

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Third Quarter 2025

	Program Year 2025	Program Year 2024
	July 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025	July 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024
Revenues and support		
Chapter dues	\$ 600	\$ 1,644
Registrations	70,665	55,758
Sponsorships	10,000	6,000
Interest	609	8
Other	8	100
Total revenue and support	81,882	63,510
Expenses:		
Program services:		
Professional development training	57,183	48,579
ByLaws and Sponsorships	-	-
Community service	200	300
Education and CPE	45	24
Social and networking	1,460	1,655
Communications	-	-
Membership	-	-
Golf	2	-
CGFM/Other	-	17
Scholarship and awards	-	(1,000)
	58,890	49,575
Support services:		
Management and general	7,211	4,657
Total expenses	66,101	54,232
Change in net assets	15,781	9,278
Net assets - June 30, 2024 and 2023	47,930	46,018
Net assets - March 31, 2025 and 2024	\$ 63,711	\$ 55,296



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