Shenandoah Valley Chapter Report of Accomplishments FY 2016 – 2017

Education

The Chapter held five (5) regular meetings this year with speakers at three (3) meetings that offered 1 CPE per meeting to each of its members in attendance. The guest speakers included:

Sue Gainor, Former State Department/DOD

Jason Gould and Kristin English, KPMG

Scott Fournier, Integrity Home Mortgage

Mark Hoesch, PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP

Richard Kennedy, CEO Top of Virginia Regional Chamber of Commerce

Shenandoah Valley worked with the Richmond Chapter for a meeting on Fraud and Information Technology in October 2016. They also assisted the Richmond and VA Peninsula Chapters with their annual December PDT. Shenandoah Valley and Roanoke Chapters hosted a joint training on Fraud, Auditing and Information Technology in April 2017 in which they had 21 attendees and provided 7 CPEs to each in attendance.

CGFM

The Chapter has two members with a CGFM certification; however, one member's is void and the other member is inactive. The Chapter encourages members to study for the Educational offerings hosted by the Chapter and supports the maintenance of the CGFM certification through CPE points.

Accountability

We completed our fourth Citizen Centric Report (CCR) in September 2016, and submitted it to AGA's Certificate for Excellence Review Program. Gina Smith Moss participated in the quarterly Regional Accountability calls and provided guidance to a few smaller chapters to assist them with developing a CCR for their chapter.

Membership

At the beginning of this year, we had 21 members. The Chapter continued to look for ways to grow our membership, especially to those outside of FEMA. At the end of the

year, we had 22 members. We continue to reach out to those members who have not renewed their membership for the upcoming year, as well as reaching out to seek new members.

Community Service

Our Chapter continued with community service efforts.

In August, we participated in collecting school supplies and snacks for children in the Winchester/Frederick County, Virginia area and donated to Bright Future's Non Profit center.

In November, we participated in the National Wreaths Across America campaign. We raised \$255 which provides 17 wreaths.

In December, we adopted a family through the non-profit center Bright Futures, which services local school children.

In January, we conducted a blanket drive for the Winchester Area Temporary Thermal Shelter.

In March/April, we conducted a pet supply drive to benefit the ME-OWRY Cat Shelter and Tara's House all-breed dog rescue.

Danielle Unger and Kristin Black were invited to attend a charity donor appreciation event by the Director of Bright Future's for their charitable work for that organization this past year.

Early Career

On Wednesday, November 2, 2016, our Chapter participated in Shepherd University's Meet the Firms night hosted by the University's accounting club. The event was open to all Shepherd students giving them the opportunity to meet local firms and accounting associations in the local area.

On March 23, 2017, our Chapter hosted a Student Night and invited students from Shepherd University, Shenandoah University and Blue Ridge Technical College. Dennis Carpenter, Membership Manager for AGA National spoke about the benefits of AGA and government careers. We had 2 students and the Accounting Instructor from Shepherd College attend.

<u>Awards</u>

Our Chapter received six National awards at the Professional Development Conference in Anaheim, California in July. Chapter President Gina Smith Moss received a Platinum Chapter Recognition Award. Danielle Unger received a Chapter Service Award. We also

received a Community Service Award, Education Award, CGFM Award, and Chapter Newsletter Award.