

The Roanoke Ledger

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Roanoke Chapter

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President's Message



As the budding plants of spring put out their young leaves and bright colorful flowers (wreaking havoc with my children's allergies) the Roanoke chapter is also blooming. Congratulations to Patricia Bidanset and Phil Weese, our newly elected Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. A big thank you to Patty Belcher who has served as chapter Treasurer for many years without nearly the recognition she deserves. We appreciate your commitment to service and continued support, as we do all committee chairs who have served this past year, or longer as the case may be. Our new committee chairs are as follows;

Membership Chair – Lal Harter
Education Chair – Gordon Jones
Community Service Co-Chairs – Patricia Bidanset and Samantha Bailey
CGFM Chair – Linda Woody
Accountability Chair – Phil Weese
Early Careers Chair – Samantha Bailey

Our Newsletter editor continues to be Deanna Cox (the most underworked position she has ever had, but again, we thank her for her service) and our Webmaster is Patricia Bidanset. We plan on updating our website in the near future, so expect changes there as well.

Patricia, Samantha, and I recently attended the Sectional Leadership Meeting in Indianapolis, where we were presented with an array of tools and resources to help us better serve our chapter members. We will be exploring various ways to provide convenient and economical CPE, but we need your feedback. We will be distributing a brief survey soon and we respectfully ask that you take the time to complete it; your feedback is critical.

Our social media footprint has also grown. You can now follow the Roanoke Chapter of the AGA on Facebook at (<http://www.facebook.com/groups/agaroanoke/?ref=ts>) and Twitter at (@RoanokeAGA). I'm so excited; I'm contemplating becoming a twit myself.

We are in the process of revising our chapter plans for the upcoming program year. If you would like to participate in the process and are unable to make our regular scheduled meetings, please contact any of our officers or committee chairs. Our regular scheduled meetings have been moved to the third Wednesday of each month, with the venue alternating to accommodate members. If you would like to host a meeting or have one closer to you, please let us know.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, May 16th, at El Gran Rodeo in Christiansburg at 6:00 PM. We hope to see you there.



Roanoke Chapter President

Roanoke Chapter News

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings are generally held the third Wednesday of each month. Meeting locations will be announced a few days prior to each meeting. As member participation increases, the meeting locations and dates will be rotated in an effort to give all members a chance to attend and become involved in the Chapter.

The Roanoke Chapter will hold its next meeting May 16, 2012 at 6:00pm, at El Gran Rodeo in Christiansburg. All members are encouraged to attend. Guests are always welcome.

If you need more information, please contact Lal Harter at lharter@pcva.us.

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUEST

Please remember to notify someone in the Chapter if you or your place of business participate in a community service project. The Roanoke Chapter of the AGA will receive credit for chapter recognition points for community service that members participate in either individually or as a part of their place of work.

Other AGA Information

MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL NEWS

The Roanoke Chapter is part of the Mid-Atlantic Region. Visit the Mid-Atlantic website at www.geocities.com/agamidatlantic for up-to-date information on the Mid-Atlantic leadership.

NATIONAL NEWS

For National news, please visit the AGA's website at www.agacgfm.org.

CPE OPPORTUNITIES

National PDC, July 29-August 1, 2012, San Diego, CA (Mark your calendars NOW!)

Information regarding these conferences may be obtained at www.agacgfm.org.

MEMBER INFORMATION ONLINE

Update your personal information online. Just go to www.agacgfm.org to the "Member Information" Section.

Renew your membership for 2012-2013 by logging onto the AGA website under Member Services.

To join the AGA, obtain an application on the above website.



CGFM INFORMATION

All members are encouraged to become CGFM's. Information about how you can become a CGFM is on the AGA's website.

The Roanoke Chapter has purchased study guides that may be checked out by Chapter members for use in studying for the CGFM exam.