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President's Message



Greetings All!

Devastating summer storms, drought, wildfire, movie shootings, municipalities declaring bankruptcy; it's been an eventful summer. What next, the dead walking the earth? At least we've all made it through another fiscal year, and in good health and spirits I hope.

Fear not, it gets better. Beginning Sunday, July 29th, the AGA's 61st PDC: Training to Solve Today's Fiscal Challenges kicks off in San Diego. If you want to check out the agenda and all star line-up visit: <http://www2.agacgfm.org/pdc2012/>. The Roanoke chapter will be in attendance to receive our annual chapter recognition award. If you've never been to a large national conference, and even if you have, none compare to this. I would encourage all of you to make the pilgrimage if not this year, than next.

On Monday August 27th (please mark your calendars) we will be having our annual fall professional development. Once again, it will be at the Roanoke Higher Education center and will be an all day affair. The workshop will be worth 7 CPEs and will feature excellent speakers. Evelyn Brown, AGA National President and Keynote speaker, will share her secrets of success and speak on leadership and career planning. Barry Faison, CFO Virginia Retirement Systems, will provide a VRS update including; system overview, previous pension reform initiatives and upcoming GASB reporting standards, 2012 GA legislative actions, and a modernization update. A four member moderated fraud panel, consisting of a police accountant, attorney, official and an audit partner, will share their experiences with actual fraud cases. We anticipate a lively discussion that will prove informative for all. We plan on emailing registration forms in the next week, so keep an eye out.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 19th, at Bull and Bones in Blacksburg 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 September 19, 2012 at 6:00pm, at Bull and Bones in Blacksburg. All members are encouraged to attend. Guests are always welcome.

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

It has been a while since we extended a welcome to our new members—our apologies for the delay!

Vicky Moore, Virginia Tech

Tim Clark, New River Valley Regional Jail

Steven Bolster, County of Rockbridge

Melissa Cable, Dept of Veterans Affairs

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.