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President's Message By Robin Burkhart

March at times roars in like a lion and leaves us like a lamb. At times our lives are the same way in which we are roaring like lions. We roar from one meeting to the next, continually making decisions throughout the day while ensuring offices operate as well-oiled machines and constantly attempting to stay abreast of new technology, state and federal guidelines/regulations, etc. And then, there are those times where life is as mild as a lamb. We actually are at our desks for the large portion of a day, have a chance to ask a staff person how their day is going, or maybe time to enjoy lunch with a peer, and catch up on those tasks which are laid aside on the roaring days.

The Mid-MO AGA Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) members are continually roaring to ensure you have educational opportunities to earn CPE; maintaining records for the organization whether it be the financials, CEC meeting minutes, member of the year points; community service events; ensuring membership/CGFM dues are current; scholarship applications review, creating newsletter and maintaining the website. Each CEC member is vital to the success of Mid-MO AGA. So, once a month we slow down like a lamb and convene for lunch. These luncheons allow CEC members to aid in the development of the organization by reporting what has happened in the past month for their particular area, voice opinions on any issues, and most importantly gain relationships with others outside their own department. Volunteers are needed for the 2017-2018 CEC. Come join us and help us make Mid-MO AGA be the best it can be. Positions to be filled still for 2017-2018 are: President-Elect, Education Director, and Community Service Director. Contact Felicia Hubble or myself to volunteer for the 2017-2018 Mid-MO AGA CEC.

During March, scholarship applications are being reviewed, Mid-MO AGA Summer and Winter PDTs are in the process of being planned, and CEC members are finalizing plans for the remainder of the 2016-2017 year. If you have ideas for an educational event/speaker, please email info@midmoaga.org.

Mark your calendars as the Mid-MO AGA Annual Summer PDT will be August 29th & 30th, 2017 at the Inn at the Grand Glaize in Osage Beach. Further information will be sent out at a later date. Please periodically check out the upcoming educational opportunities at www.midmoaga.org.

And so I leave this month with a quote from an unknown author:

"The March wind roars
Like a lion in the sky,
And makes us shiver
As he passes by.
When winds are soft,
And the days are warm and clear,
Just like a gentle lamb,
Then spring is here."
- Author Unknown

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Regional and National News and Events

National Events

www.agacgfm.org

Select training links below to learn more!

[CGFM Intensive Review Course](#)

April 3-4, 2017
18 CPEs



Click [here](#) to learn more about National PDT 2017!

Under 30? Want to attend National PDT 2017 at **NO**
COST? Click [here](#) to learn more!

AGA is the member organization for government financial management professionals.

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We lead and encourage change that benefits our field and all citizens. Our networking events, professional certification, publications and ongoing education help members build their skills and advance their careers.



Regional Events

Ozarks Chapter:

April 27th

Blending Requirements of Component Units

Buy an egg for a chance to win an "eggstra" special prize! All proceeds benefit Ronald McDonald House

May 18th

eFactory Tour



Join Us This Month to Prepare Breakfast for the Ronald McDonald House!

Mid-MO AGA Events and Community Service

For more details and to register for upcoming events, visit Mid-MO Chapter AGA [Events](#) page.



AGA Ethics Webinar and Chapter Meeting/Luncheon

(4 CPE)

April 12, 2017

10:30 AM to 3:00 PM

NEW LOCATION, TBD

Jefferson City, MO 65101

Skip Eno Memorial Scholarship Program

Scholarship applications have been received. Applications are currently being reviewed by Mid-MO AGA members: Amanda Sifford, Shawn McCauley, and Robin Renfrow. Recipients will be announced and awarded at the April 12th Chapter Meeting.

AGA Webinar: Blended & Braided Funding (CANCELLED)

April 26, 2017

REMINDER: Bring donations of non-perishable food items or money to any future chapter meetings to support the Central Missouri Food Bank!

AGA Webinar – DATA Act

(2 CPE)

May 17, 2017

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Jefferson Building – DESE 8th Fl. Conf Rm

205 Jefferson Street

Jefferson City, MO 65101



Have a great idea? 

If you have any suggestions for topics for educational events, please let us know! We want to hear from you and provide training that suits your needs. To provide a suggestion or give us feedback, contact us

at info@midmoaga.org



CGFM Digital Badge

AGA has partnered with Acclaim to provide our active CGFMs with a digital badge of their CGFM certification.

New to badging?

View this [introductory video](#) from Acclaim

Already claimed your CGFM badge?

Access your [Acclaim account](#)

What is a digital badge?

A badge is a digital token that appears as an icon on a webpage, email signature, social media platform, or other online venues and serves as a digital proof of the certification. The badge provides a link to verify the credential in real-time and describes what one had to do to earn it.



This is what the CGFM digital badge looks like. Click on the badge to see what details will be displayed when clicked on. Individuals' badges will also have their name, CGFM award date, expiration date and certificate number.

What are the benefits of a badge?

The CGFM digital badge is an online representation of your certification. It is sharable with others and verifiable with one click. It provides employers and peers concrete evidence of your certification status and requirements to earn it. The badge also offers labor market insights, based on CGFM-related skills. You can search and apply for job opportunities right through the Acclaim platform.

How do I get my digital badge?

After you have earned your CGFM certification, you will receive an email from admin@youracclaim.com with instructions on creating an account on the Acclaim site. After you create and confirm an account, you can claim and share your CGFM badge. Digital badges are only issued for active CGFMs. If your CGFM is inactive, please visit [Maintaining CGFM](#) for current reactivation requirements.

What is Acclaim and what is its relationship with AGA?

Acclaim is part of Pearson VUE, a company that provides testing locations for CGFM exam administration. Acclaim works with credible organizations to provide digital credentials to individuals, worldwide. AGA has entered into a vendor relationship with Acclaim to issue digital badges to active CGFMs. Acclaim is the website from which you claim (accept), store and share your badge. It is also where those looking to verify your certification will go to view the badge details.

Is there a fee for claiming or displaying my badge?

No. Storing, managing and sharing badges is free for CGFMs.

Is it a requirement for my CGFM to use a digital badge?

No. The use of a digital badge is optional. If you decide not to utilize this service, simply do not accept the digital badge you receive from admin@youracclaim.com.

Who should I contact if there are any issues with my CGFM badge?

If your question relates to the status of your certification, please contact cqfm@agacgfm.org. If your question relates to the Acclaim website or functionality of the badge, please [contact Acclaim support](#).

To learn more regarding the CGFM certification process, visit the AGA website at <https://www.agacgfm.org/> or by contacting CGFM Director, Jessica Prater.



Membership Update

MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD LEADERBOARD



As of February 28, 2017, the leaders in points for this award are:

Shari LePage
Tammy Hoback-Reichl
Mary Dallas
Rich Villmer
Andrea Beck
Mickey Wilson

There are many ways for members to earn points toward the Member of the Year award. Some of these ways include:

- ❖ Help plan an AGA event
- ❖ Participate in Community Service
- ❖ Attend AGA events
- ❖ Contribute to the Mid-MO AGA Newsletter



IN OTHER NEWS...

Manage Your Energy (Because People Can Read It) – Better! Results Tip #19

Charlie let loose with a world-class yawn. Right in the middle of the meeting. And we all saw it.

“What”, he said. “I’m soooo tired.”

Which was apparently soooo true.



But it wasn’t anything new. We all knew Charlie was always tired. We ‘saw’ it every day in his work, his pace, his attention to detail, his suggestions, and especially in meetings when he thought no one was watching.

About 20 years ago, I listened in on an interesting presentation. It was about the ‘energy signature’ we all leave. The lesson of that program was simple: be more aware. People notice.

One of the foundation principles of **Better! Results** is the conscious elimination of barriers to our success. You know, those little and not so little habits and other things that we put in the path of our progress. And unless we have a medical condition, are working two or more jobs, or are raising one-year-old twins, it’s very possible that we have more control over our energy level and resulting signature than we believe.

So here are a few ideas to lean us all towards **Better! Results** through **Better! Energy**.

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IN OTHER NEWS...(cont.)

One, turn off the TV and get an extra 30 to 60 minutes of sleep each night. Such a simple step with extraordinary potential results.

Two, eat **Better!** Food is fuel. Bad food, bad fuel. Real food, good fuel. We wouldn't dream of intentionally putting bad fuel in our \$30,000 car. But most of us put bad fuel in our bodies every day. Does that make any sense? It's that simple.

Three, watch the sugar intake. A 12-ounce can of 'regular' Coke or Pepsi has about 39 grams of sugar. I was never very strong on the metric system, so I had to look it up. Conversion is 4 grams per teaspoon (a measure even I can understand). So a 12-ounce can of pop has about 10 teaspoons of sugar. Result - a raging sugar high followed by a hard sugar crash. No wonder they call it 'pop'!



Watch out for the hidden sugar as well. Ketchup, tomato sauce, processed breakfast cereal, yogurt, condiments, processed meats, and bread. Plus the bagels, donuts and pastries that seem to be required at too many business meetings and training events.



Just so we're clear, I love sweet treats. (So you can skip the protesting email.) And I have to watch out every single day. But I know from experience what the hidden and not so hidden sugars can do to my energy level. All I'm suggesting is a little conscious thought and modest adjustments to intake. Find that elusive middle-ground between sugar-pleasure and **Better!** sustained energy

Become that person everyone wants on their project. Bring the energy that inspires confidence in your work. You'll think **Better!**, perform **Better!**, and feel **Better!** And others will notice - especially your boss.

Original article: [click here](#)

CEC Meeting Minutes

**Association of Government Accountants
Mid-Mo Chapter Executive Committee
January 19, 2017 Meeting Highlights**

By: Carol Blecha

In attendance: Robin Burkhart, Felicia Hubble, Cathy Long, Danielle Weed, Jessica Prater, Christina Freeman, Tracy Farris, Erica Schroer (visiting) and Carol Blecha

President:

- The SLM is scheduled for May 4-6, 2017 in Kansas City, Mo. Christina, Amanda and Erica expressed an interest in attending.
 - o National will pay for two chapter members to attend the SLM.
 - o A motion was made to send a third person from the chapter using chapter funds. The motion passed.
- CEC Positions:
 - o We currently have the Education Position open.
 - o We have a volunteer for the Treasurer's Position as soon as their membership is established.

Secretary's Report:

- The minutes of the December 8, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Robin presented the Treasurer's Report through October 31, 2016.
- A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion passed.

Communications:

- Website:
 - o The 2017 Mid-MO AGA Skip Eno Memorial Scholarship Program applications have been added to the website.
- Newsletter:
 - o Christina asked to have the articles submitted for the next Newsletter by Tuesday, January 24th.

Community Service:

- Amanda noted the 2017 Mid-MO AGA Skip Eno Memorial Scholarship Program applications are due March 15.

Education:

- The January Chapter Meeting had 20 in attendance.
- We worked on planning the Chapter Meetings for the remainder of the program year, with various CEC Members taking responsibility for different aspects of the meetings.
- The chapter is working with the local IIA chapter to again co-sponsor a free training for our members possibly to be held in June.
- Jessica began the research looking into offering the Grants Management Training courses again.
 - o Since DNR has asked us to provide the training, it was suggested to request DNR to make a commitment to send a set number of people for the full training track.

- Jessica will ask further questions about the pricing of the courses and a few other issues.

CGFM:

- Jessica provided a list of all CGFM's to Robin and Danielle.

Membership:

- We are sending a check (in the amount of \$ 10,247.00) to National AGA to pay the membership fees for all those who attended the Winter PDT as approved at the December CEC meeting.
- Danielle stated she has the applications for the guests who attended the Winter PDT. She is forwarding these applications to National AGA to establish the membership for the guests.

President-Elect:

- The CRP report due 12-31-16 was submitted.
- Felicia is working on the Summer PDT:
 - Bids were sent out to the various venues.
 - She is working on obtaining speakers.

Past-President:

- No report at this time.

Accountability:

- No report at this time.

The meeting was adjourned.

CEC Meeting Minutes (continued)

Association of Government Accountants

Mid-Mo Chapter Executive Committee

February 22, 2017 Meeting Highlights

By: Robin Burkhart

In attendance: Robin Burkhart, Cathy Long, Danielle Weed, and Christina Freeman (No voting will occur since a quorum is not present)

President:

- The SLM is scheduled for May 4-6, 2017 in Kansas City, Mo. Christina and Erica are registered to attend.
- The National PDT is scheduled for July 9-12, 2017 in Boston, MA. Danielle and Cathy are registered to attend.
- SLMR Report – Robin and Danielle reported SLMR provided an opportunity to meet with peers from other Chapters and share ideas.
- CEC Positions:
 - We currently have the Education Position open.
 - The Treasurer's Position is open, but Erica Schroer – DNR is attending CEC meetings to learn more about the Mid-MO AGA and potentially become Treasurer.

Secretary's Report:

- No report

Treasurer's Report:

- Robin presented the Treasurer's Report through December 31, 2016.
- Due to not being a quorum Treasurer's report will be approved via email process.

Communications:

- Website:
 - o Continually updating to conform to new AGA guidelines.
- Newsletter:
 - o Christina asked to have the articles submitted for the next Newsletter by Friday, February 24th.

Community Service:

- Robin reported National AGA did match our fundraising efforts at the August Summer & December Winter PDTs. A fundraising check for Central MO Food Bank-Buddy Pack Program was presented to Central MO Food Bank staff. Photo will be in next newsletter. The fundraising check for Marines Toys for Tots programs will be mailed.

Education:

- Chapter Meetings for the remainder of the program year still need to be planned.
- AGA/IIA Joint meeting will occur in July 2017. Robin is still working with IIA on the details. Right now, the only cost will be splitting cost of lunch with IIA.

CGFM:

- No report.

Membership:

- Working with National AGA to process all of the membership fees for all those who attended the Winter PDT as approved at the December CEC meeting.

President-Elect:

- The CRP report is next due 3-31-17.
- Felicia is working on the Summer PDT:
 - o Negotiating hotel contract.
 - o She is working on obtaining speakers.
- 2017-2018 CEC Members – discussion as to what positions will be open for the 2017-2018 year

Past-President:

- No report at this time.

Accountability:

- No report at this time.

The meeting was adjourned.

Post Meeting Vote: On March 1, 2017, a motion was made to accept the December 2016 Treasurer's report as presented. The vote passed.

In Memory of Skip Eno...

Below is the Thank You card received from Mrs. Eno by the Mid-Missouri AGA chapter for the recent renaming of our scholarships in Skip Eno's name.

Mar 1, 2017
Dear Ms DeVore,
When I received your card, I was overwhelmed to the point of Tears when you advised me of your AGA chapter decision. How proud skip would have been!
To know that you renamed your high school and college fund in memory of him was a tremendous honor.
AGA has always been a top priority in his life, from the days when he helped establish the Jefferson Chapter, to AGA on a national level. In 1979 he received an award for being "the outstanding chapter service" award in the nation.
Please thank all the people who made the decision to change the name to Mid-Missouri AGA Earl "Skip" Eno Memorial Scholarship Program. It is a wonderful tribute to a long time AGA supporter, that I loved very much

...straight from my heart.

In sincere and
humble thanks,
Shirley Eno



Mid-MO AGA Financial Summary-as of 1/31/17



		Budget Year	
	1/31/2017	Ending	
	Actual	6/30/2017	
Receipts:			
Membership Dues		\$	-
Registrations	\$ 33,420.00	\$	39,750.00
Interest	\$ 4.70	\$	40.00
National Awards		\$	-
Miscellaneous		\$	-
Fundraising	\$ 250.50	\$	500.00
Sponsorships		\$	-
Disbursements:			
Awards, Honoraria, Gifts		\$	450.00
CEC Planning Meeting	\$ 446.81	\$	150.00
Community Service		\$	500.00
Credit Card Fees	\$ 1,096.73	\$	750.00
Dues/Registrations	\$ 9,595.00	\$	13,045.00
Equipment		\$	-
Fundraising		\$	-
GASB Contributions		\$	-
Meeting Meals	\$ 4,547.66	\$	10,620.00
Member Travel	\$ 477.98	\$	1,500.00
Merchandise Expense		\$	-
Miscellaneous	\$ 282.64	\$	604.00
PDT/S&L Registration		\$	1,550.00
PO Box Rental		\$	75.00
Postage		\$	100.00
Printing		\$	2,400.00
Regional Planning Meeting		\$	300.00
Scholarships		\$	1,650.00
Speaker Fees/Travel Exp.	\$ 5,978.47	\$	4,800.00
Website	\$ 899.95	\$	930.00
Workshop Accomodations	\$ 650.00	\$	500.00
Workshop Supplies	\$ 2,927.39	\$	1,300.00
Revenue Over (Under) Expenses	\$ 6,772.57		
Prior Year Expenses	\$ (800.00)		
Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 6,501.42		
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 12,473.99		
Accounts Receivable			
Accounts Payable			
Credits on Account (Cancelled Trainings)			
Net Available for Chapter Use	\$ 12,473.99		
Investments			
Premier Certificate of Deposit	\$ 9,587.90		
Home Savings Bank CD (now with Legends Bank)	\$ 6,243.29		
Total Investments	\$ 15,831.19		
Chapter Fund Balance	\$ 28,305.18		
Cash Balance Consists of:			
Petty Cash	\$ 30.00		
Checking Account	\$ 12,473.99		
	\$ 12,503.99		

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Vacant Positions
Education Director

WE NEED YOU!

Are you interested in planning events for Mid-MO AGA? We are still looking for an **Education Director** for our chapter! Contact Robin Burkhart at president@midmoaga.org to volunteer or with ideas for future events!!

