



EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER



December 2002

NEWSLETTER

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Presidents Message

Happy holidays! I hope everyone is surviving the holiday shopping season! First of all I would like to give a big thank you to Dr. Matt Murray for our meeting last month. I really learned a bit more of our area's economy.

I hope everyone enjoyed the riverboat cruise for the December meeting. It was very interesting to hear from the US Postal Inspectors office and the topic on Anthrax. I am also pleased that our Regional Vice President, Robert Crowl, was here to visit during our chapter meeting.

Lots of gifts were collected and will be delivered to our areas needy children. Once again, thank you to all who have participated. I am really proud of the public service activities that our chapter is able to do.

See you at our next meeting in January. I hope to see everyone there!

President,

Carol Malkemus

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

The second Chapter meeting of the year was held November 12, 2002 at the Tennessee Grill. Carol Malkemus opened the meeting with several announcements.

First, members introduced the guests that were present. Second, Carol thanked those who brought coats. Carol, Aldena, and Audrey dropped off toiletry items at the Ronald Mc Donald House after the October meeting. The organization was extremely grateful for our contribution.

Carol announced that the Riverboat cruise is the location of our December meeting. She encouraged everyone to bring a lot of guests. Dave announced that Blount County is taking canned goods for the storm victims in Morgan County.

The angel tree tags were distributed and we were asked to bring the unwrapped gifts to the December meeting. Carol asked for volunteers for the spring seminar and then she presented Dave Bennett with his plaque for serving as president last year.

The speaker was Matt Murray from the Center for business and Economic Research at the University of Tennessee. He spoke on the economy of the state. His talk centered on forecasting job growth, consumer spending, and personal income.

An executive meeting was held immediately following the luncheon. The

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following officers were present: Carol Malkemus, Tonya Davis, Audrey Atkins, Mike Blair, Phyllis Palmer, Amy Paganelli, Nancy Donahue, Sherry Sheffey, Dana Lamson, Karen Phillips, Aldena Phillips, and Alicia Reed.

The board first discussed the December meeting. The Riverboat will be \$10.00 per member and \$23 per guest. A meeting announcement will be sent out before Thanksgiving regarding meeting information and the newsletter will come out at its regular time.

The next discussion was regarding the website we use. They are taking donations because of financial programs. Our group decided to donate \$100.00.

We are going to do the Spring Seminar on our own this year and it will be held tentatively on April 25, 2003. We are checking around on a place to have it. Finally, it was decided we would publish our meetings in the Knoxville News-Sentinel. It is a free service.

Submitted by: Audrey Atkins

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CPE Hours Due December 31 – If your GCGFM in 1996, 1998 or 2000, you will need to complete the 80-hour CPE requirement by the end of the calendar year to maintain your CGFM certification. If your CGFM was awarded in the odd-numbered year, (1995,1997,1999,2001) or 1994, you must complete 20 hours by the end of this calendar year. One way to earn CPE hours is to visit the AGA website and review the many online courses offered by Smart Pros or read AGA's Journal of government Financial Management and earn 3 CPE hours through CPE Online, which quizzes on the content of each Journal. Read in more detail about the CGFM Program's CPE requirements at www.agacgfm.org/cgfm_detail.htm.

Source: Certified Government Financial Manager Topics Newsletter.

Member Profile

Dana Lamson

Dana Lamson, has been a member of AGA since 2000. Dana is the Assistant Finance Director for Blount County Government and is an active member in AGA. She was last years program chair and currently serves on the board as meetings chair.

In 1991, she began working as an Accounting Technician for the City of Maryville. Then started working for Blount County Government in 1997. She received her Bachelor degree from Tennessee Wesleyan. Also, while working full time Dana received her Masters of Business Administration in 1999 from LMU.

Dana is currently an active member in TGFOA, GFOA, Allocations Panel of United Way, and is member at East Maryville Baptist Church.

Dana currently lives in Maryville, with her husband Dave and her two children; Jesse and Lindsey. The family has a cat (Socks), puppy (Millie), and 2 fish (Goldie & Bubba).

Dana enjoys reading, scrapbooking, cross stitching, hiking, camping, boating and when she has time working out.

Upcoming Events

Public TV Food Drive
Chocolate Fest

Attached you will find a copy of the Chocolate Fest volunteer form. You will need to complete the attached form and reply to Mike Blair by no later than December 17,

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2002, if you are interested in being a volunteer.

If you should have any questions regarding the Chocolate Fest, please contact Mike Blair at (865) 632-6056 or e-mail tmbclair@tva.gov.

Conferences & Exhibitions

Professional Development Conference

June 29 - July 2, 2003
Sheraton Chicago, Chicago, IL

June 27 – 30, 2004
Marriott Wardman Park, Washington D.C.

July 10 – 13, 2005
Marriott Orlando World Center, Orlando, FL

National Leadership Conference

February 20 – 21, 2003
Ronald Regan Building/International Trade Center, Washington, D.C.

National Events/News

AGA's 2001-2002 Annual Report is Now Available. You may review the documents on their website www.agacqfm.org.

AGA's First Chapter: Denver Begins Its 50th Anniversary Year

AGA's Denver Chapter kicked off its 50th Anniversary year with a bang on Thursday October 24.

Source: www.agacqfm.org.

Membership News

The prizes for the members that recruit the most new members into the East TN Chapter in FY 2003 are: First prize is \$100.00 and second prize is a wonderful goodie still to be determined. The contest runs September 2002 through April 2003. First prize is \$100.00 and second prize is a wonderful goodie still to be determined. Members be sure to have potential new members complete the application by including your name in the sponsor blank!!

If you know these people- please call them.

Lisa Hammer, TVA, 632-4731
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Think back to the day you decided to join AGA... a chance to network with other professionals, increase knowledge of government financial management, gain added recognition and respect from colleagues, etc... and ask yourself why do you keep renewing? See, you know first hand the benefits of membership and once you share this information with those non-renewing chapter members, they too will decide to stay with AGA!

Submitted by Amy Paganelli.

Chapter Reports

We have 3,000 in chapter points. Mike Blair, Treasurer, reported an ending cash balance of \$3,956.74 as of November 2002.

2002-2003 East TN AGA Chapter Calendar

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01/14 – Don Benson
Copper Cellar

02/11 – Butch Peccolo, UT
Naples

03/11 – Mickey Bilbrey
Calhoun's

04/25 – TBA
AGA Conference with IIA

05/13 – FBI Whitecollar Crimes
Riverside Tavern

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*Happy Holidays From
AGA's East Tennessee
Chapter!*
