

AGA Chapter Meeting Minutes May 2010

Submitted by Shirley Henry, Secretary

The Nashville Area Chapter held its May meeting, which is designated as the Awards Luncheon, at the Doubletree Hotel on Thursday, May 27, 2010. The meeting was originally scheduled for May 6 at the Wildhorse Saloon, but it had to be rescheduled and relocated because of the downtown flooding, which impacted the Wildhorse Saloon.

President Karen Hale called the meeting to order. Richard Norment gave the invocation.

Karen welcomed everyone and asked if there were any corrections to the minutes for the April meeting, and since no corrections were noted, the minutes were considered to be approved.

Karen announced that the chapter has 27 new members, and she recognized the four new members who were at the meeting: Hank Clay, Sharon Shaneyfelt, Valerie Oliver, and Bhupinder Sood. She then asked all those who had guests to introduce their guests.

Scholarships - Michelle Earhart said that the Awards Committee received 25 scholarship applications, and she announced this year's scholarship recipients. The chapter awarded two William R. Snodgrass scholarships. Heather Harrison received the \$750 scholarship; she was unable to attend the meeting. Katherine Posey came forward to receive the \$1,500 scholarship. Hank Clay came forward to receive the \$1,500 Fawn Ellis scholarship.

Early Careers - Michelle Earhart announced the Early Careers winners. Hank Clay and Jeff Hughes won \$25 awards for newsletter articles. Hank Clay was the only Early Career member who had applied for the CGFM examination so he won the award for reimbursement of his application fee. From the pool of all new members, Qian Yuan and Ellen Dunkin won the drawing for reimbursement of their membership dues. Jeff Hughes won the MVP award since he had the most points.

Retirees - Karen Hale recognized two members who had retired during the year. David Bowling was not at the meeting, but Bertha DeWeese was there. Karen presented a certificate to Bertha and a torch medallion for her many years of service to the chapter in various capacities.

Service Anniversaries - Karen Hale recognized and congratulated several members for their many years of membership in AGA.

30 Years+ Members

Harry W. Fuchs

John M. Hughes

Barbara K. White, CGFM - Retired

Richard V. Norment, CGFM, CIA

William R. Hedge, CGFM

Robert E. Hart, CGFM

Charles L. Harrison, CGFM, CPA - Retired
Dennis F. Dycus, CGFM
Charles K. Bridges, CGFM, CPA - Retired
Arthur L. Alexander, Jr., CGFM
Beth R. Chapman, CGFM, CPA
Shirley A. Henry, CGFM, CPA
Robert A. Lackey, CGFM

40 Years+ Members

William E. Sisson
Doyle J. Bailey
Doyce R. Bailey

50 Years+ Member

John C. Stanton, Jr.

Torch Awards - Karen Hale presented torch awards to Regina Dobbins and Joann Shumaker for their dedicated service in keeping up with all of the name tags for the monthly meetings.

Community Service - Julie Rogers announced that 67 members participated in various community service activities this year, and she expressed thanks to all. Two names were drawn from the pool of members who had earned more than 10 points for community service, and Jacqueline Laws and Sandra Patterson won the drawing. The chapter will make a \$50 donation in honor of each of them to the charity of their choice.

Membership - Jennifer Lewis and Ann Collett came forward for the membership drawings.

Four names were drawn from the pool of all members who renewed their membership by March 31, and these individuals received \$25 awards: Dan Willis, Charles Powell, Tammy Worley, and Jim Arnette.

Rusty Lacy won the \$100 recruitment award for recruiting the most new members from December through April.

From the pool of all members who recruited new members, Joe Holzmer's name was drawn for the \$50 prize.

Valerie Oliver's name was drawn from the pool of all new members, and she won a \$50 prize.

From the pool of members who recruited two or more new members, two names were selected for the Top Recruiter drawing. Mel Marcella's name was drawn first so he got to choose between two tickets to Universal Studios or \$50 cash; Mel chose the tickets. Rusty Lacy's name was drawn second so he got the \$50 cash prize.

Newsletter - Corey Tester announced the winners of the newsletter awards. Melvin Jones won the top award for his article on internal auditing and received a cash prize of \$100. Jeff Hughes won an award for his article about Internet fraud and received a cash prize of \$75.

Innovative Idea Award - Karen Hale recognized Jeff Hughes for his proposal for the Outstanding Government Achievement Award.

Outstanding Government Achievement Award - Michelle Earhart presented this award to Dennis Dycus, Director of Municipal Audit, in the Comptroller's Office, and highlighted some of his more significant achievements in his many years of service to the State of Tennessee particularly in the local government area.

Member of the Year Award - Michelle Earhart presented this award to Corey Tester.

Drawing for PDC - Four names were drawn to select one recipient for the payment of registration fees for the National PDC. Corey Tester was selected as the primary recipient, and three alternates were selected in the event Corey is unable to attend: Reynolds Worthington, first alternate; Melvin Jones, second alternate; and Ann Collett, third alternate.

President's Award - Karen Hale announced Hellens Tamimi, who served as Treasurer, and Rusty Lacy, who served as Education Committee Chair, as the recipients of this year's award.

Installation of New Officers and Directors - Karen Hale conducted the installation of the officers and two-year directors for the 2010-2011 year: Melvin Jones, Jr., President; Shirley Henry, President-Elect; two-year directors - Keevia Battle; Hank Clay; Corey Tester; and Cynthia Setters. Debra Bloomingburg, Secretary, Scarlet Sneed, Treasurer, and Rhonda Williams, two-year director, were unable to attend the meeting.

After her parting remarks as the 2009-2010 President, Karen Hale passed the gavel to Melvin Jones, Jr., the 2010-2011 President.

After accepting the gavel as the new President, Melvin presented a plaque of appreciation to Karen for her service as President in the 2009-2010 year. Melvin also acknowledged the one-year directors who will be completing their term in the 2010-2011 year: Ralph Cross, Eugene Hampton, Jane Lacy, Mel Marcella, and Sandra Tulloss. Melvin then made a few remarks as the newly inducted President, and he expressed his excitement about the upcoming AGA chapter year, which will begin in September.

Jane Lacy won the \$25 door prize.

There being no further business, Melvin, Jones, Jr. declared the meeting adjourned.