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**2013-2014**

## *President's Message*

This year is off to a good start. The CEC had two meetings in August to get organized and orient the new members on their duties and responsibilities. The committees are coordinating efforts to ensure we are getting information to all the members. We are working with the National staff to ensure we have dotted all the I's and crossed all the T's. The budget has been passed and will be posted on the website so everyone can see how our resources will be spent.

The Membership Committee (Kandi Thomas and Jennifer Whitsel) requested and received a scholarship from National. The money will be used to recruit new members. President-elect Michelle Earhart is on top of the Chapter Recognition Program ensuring we capture everything that will give us points toward our goal of Platinum Award at the National PDC next year.

The Community Service Committee has another strong line-up of projects for our chapter to help others in middle Tennessee. The CEC voted to send \$500 to the newest chapter in the Southeast to help them get off to a good start. Gerry Boaz and the Accountability Outreach Committee have meetings scheduled with local governments to help them develop a Citizen Centric Report (CCR) for their jurisdictions.

Education Chair, Chas Taplin, and his committee have been hard at work lining up a venue and speakers for the Winter Seminar in January. He has coordinated with the local CFE chapter so that the Winter Seminar and ACFE's free day of CPE will take place back-to-back (January 13- 15, 2014) at Nashville State Community college. More information will be provided as the committee works through the details. And a November breakfast for CPE is being planned.

Barry Monson and the Program Committee made an excellent selection for our first meeting speaker, Manny Tyndall of the Office of Inspector General, Department of Finance and Administration. Manny's presentation was an eye-opener into TennCare fraud. Don't miss the October luncheon where Tennessee State University President Glenda Baskin Glover will be our speaker.

The Meetings and Attendance Committee, team of John Dunne and Scarlet Sneed, beat the bushes, and we had almost 100 people in attendance at the first meeting. That was a great showing, and I'm confident we can meet or exceed that number at future meetings.

Karen B. Hale has given the newsletter a facelift. It looks great, and we hope to use it to provide you with information each month. Dan Willis and Nathan Abbott continue to keep the website updated as we provide them with new information.

Joe Waldrum has resigned as a one-year director, but Chas Taplin has agreed to complete the remainder of the term. The CEC has ratified his appointment. Congratulations, Chas!

And congratulations to Kay Ulmer our newest CGFM!

All these volunteers, and more that I didn't mention in this message, are the ones who keep the administrative side of our chapter going. You have placed your trust in us to take care of the business of the Nashville Chapter of AGA. Everyone on the Chapter Executive Committee hopes to earn that trust by giving you their best effort.

*Rusty*

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 11, 2013 — Audio conference
- September 28, 2013 — Women's Walking Half Marathon/Nashville
- October 9, 2013 — Audio/Web Conference
- October 14, 2013 — Luncheon Meeting
- November 13, 2013 — Breakfast Seminar
- January 14—15, 2014—Winter Seminar at Clement Auditorium, Nashville State Community College
- February 3, 2014 — Joint Luncheon Meeting with ACFE and IIA.

## October Luncheon Speaker — Dr. Glenda Glover

### President, Tennessee State University

Dr. Glenda Baskin Glover began serving as President of Tennessee State University on January 2, 2013. She has advanced a five-point vision that includes: (1) academic progress and customer service, (2) fund raising and partnerships, (3) diversity and inclusion, (4) shared governance, and (5) business outreach.

Dr. Glover was formerly the Dean of the College of Business at Jackson State University in Jackson, Mississippi, where she led the College of Business throughout the accreditation process, and spearheaded the implementation of the

business from George Washington University, and later completed her law degree from Georgetown University.

Prior to joining Jackson State University, Dr. Glover served as Chairperson of the Department of Accounting at Howard University. Her past employment also includes positions as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of an engineering firm, a tax manager at a major public utility company, and an accountant with a Big-Four CPA firm.

Dr. Glover has been a corporate board member of three publicly



**President Glenda Glover**

## Tennessee State University

nation's only Ph.D. in Business at a historically black college or university (HBCU). She is a certified public accountant, attorney, and is one of two African American women to hold the Ph.D., CPA, JD combination in the nation.

Dr. Glover's educational development began as a student at Tennessee State University, where she majored in mathematics. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree, she pursued the Master of Business Administration at Clark Atlanta University. She then completed her doctorate in

traded corporations. These include Citigroup Student Loan Corporation, American Learning Corporation and First Guaranty Bancshares. She served as Chair of the Audit Committee or Financial Expert on each Board. Dr. Glover also is a member of the Advisory Board of Regions Bank of Mississippi, and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Jackson (Mississippi) Airport Authority.

Dr. Glover is the author of more than one hundred articles and papers, and is regarded as one of the

nation's experts on corporate governance. She is a member of several professional, civic, and non-profit organizations, and is the recipient of numerous awards and honors. She is married to Charles Glover, and they have two adult children, Attorney Candace Glover and Dr. Charles Glover, II.

# Committee News

## Membership Committee

### AGA 500 Update

Congratulations to the Nashville Chapter. It is one of 25 chapters nationwide that has reached its membership retention goal, and actually, Nashville has exceeded its goal!

## Education Committee

### AGA Audio/Web Conference

The next audio/web conference will be held on October 9, 2013. The topic will be Effective Internal Control: Understanding the New COSO Framework .

### AGA Breakfast Seminar

Be sure to mark your calendar, because the Nashville Chapter will host a breakfast seminar on November 13, 2013. The location will be confirmed soon.

### AGA Winter Seminar

Save the dates as the Nashville Chapter plans to host its annual Winter Seminar January 14-15, 2014 in the Clement Auditorium at Nashville State Community College. This seminar offers 16 CPEs, and more information will be provided soon. Please make plans to attend.

## Community Service

Congratulations to Jacqueline Laws and the entire Community Service Committee for being awarded the 2013 National Community Service Award. This is the second year in a row that the Nashville Chapter has won this prestigious award.

Just a quick reminder that AGA is starting to collect supplies for Alex Green. If you have already purchased items and need to drop them off, there are three locations so far:

- ◆ 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, James K. Polk Bldg.: contact: Tammy Fruscione, [tammy.fruscione@cot.tn.gov](mailto:tammy.fruscione@cot.tn.gov)
- ◆ The Metro Government Complex: contact: David Lannom, [David.lannom@nashville.gov](mailto:David.lannom@nashville.gov)
- ◆ 23rd Floor, W.R. Snodgrass TN Tower: contact: Charlotte Gentry, [Charlotte.Gentry@tn.gov](mailto:Charlotte.Gentry@tn.gov)
- ◆ The Bank of America Building (BOA): Contact: Melvin Jones, Jr. call 289-9197 to set up a drop at this location, as BOA is a security building.

The drive will go from August 1, 2013 through Sept. 30, 2013. Below is a list of suggested items for those of you who would like to contribute:

## Community Service Cont.

Elementary School (grades pre-K through 4)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Collared Shirt (any color/size plain no markings)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Khaki pants/skirts/shorts (Blue, Brown or Black all sizes)

### SUPPLIES FOR ALEX GREEN:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Bottles of Glue
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Boxes of Tissue
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Crayons (24 count)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Dry Erase Markers
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10 Erasers
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Glue Sticks
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Hand Sanitizer or Liquid Soap
- \_\_\_\_\_ 40 Pencils (#2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10 Pocket Folders with brads
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Plastic Rulers (inches & centimeters)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Scissors (blunt edge)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Washable Markers (8 count)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10 Notebook paper (wide rule or primary tablet)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5 Pencil box or pencil pouch



Thanks in advance for your contribution to this organization!

# Community Service Plan

Every year the Community Service Committee seeks out opportunities for the Nashville Chapter to give back to the community either by donating our time, energy and/or money. This year is no different, and the Committee has decided on the following events:

## One-Time Events

**September 2013**



### Women's Half Marathon —

Provide a team of volunteers to assist in the annual running event to benefit the women's health. Provide for individuals to participate and/or contribute money to the cause.

**October 2013**

### A Kid's Place —



Provide monetary funds to help ensure cooperative, multi-disciplinary services to child abuse victims and their families.

**November 2013**

### Second Harvest Food Bank —



Collect can goods and/or money at November/December meetings to be delivered to the Second Harvest Food Bank.

**December 2013**

### Little Soldiers —

Provide gifts and supplies during the holiday season for children of service members deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

**December 2013**

### Hats, Coats, Gloves & Socks Drive —

Provide hats, gloves and coats to children and individuals in need and/or contribute money to the cause.

**January 2014**

### Nashville Union Rescue Mission —

Provide a team of volunteers to serve dinner and/or make monetary donations to the homeless.



**February 2014**

### The Elephant Sanctuary —

Provide to the monetary fund for the care of rescued elephants.

**March 2014**

### Channel 8 Membership Drive —

Provide a team of telephone bank volunteers to assist the local public television station in its pledge fund drive.



**April 2014**

### Habitat for Humanity —

Provide a team of volunteers to assist in building a house affiliated with the sponsors of each house.



**April 2014**

### Country Music Marathon —



Provide a team of volunteers to assist in the annual running event to benefit the Leukemia Society. Provide for individuals to participate and/or donate monetary to cause.

## On-Going Project

**September 2013 to May 2014**



### Pencil Foundation — Alex Green Elementary School —

Partner with Alex Green Elementary School throughout the school year to enrich the educational experiences of the students.

If you would like to participate in one or more of these events, please contact the Community Service Committee for more information.

## CEC Member Spotlight — Elvy “AJ” Rorie, IV

### Education Committee Member

My real name is Elvy Rorie, IV, but most everyone calls me AJ. It's just a nickname my parents picked for me. My dad's nickname was Al, and my mother told me AJ stood for Al Jr. She told me that it came from a show called Simon and Simon too, but I'm not really sure which one is true, maybe both. I was born in Memphis, TN. I lived in Millington, TN until the 5th grade when my parents moved us to Ripley, TN. I lived there until I graduated high school in 2004.

While I was in high school, I did not take any advanced math classes because I knew that I would not go into any math related field. However, when I graduated high school I went straight to engineering at the University of Tennessee at Martin. I did not really want to be an engineer major, but I did not know what else I wanted to do. I met my wife, Stephanie, during the fourth year of my studies. After we had been dating a year, she motivated me to make a change. I went to a career counselor at the university and took a couple tests. The 4th result on the list was accounting. The counselor suggested I take a couple classes and see what I thought about them. Two accounting classes later, I knew that was what I wanted to do. I got myself on the fast track to get out of

school at that point, and I started taking summer classes. I finished my accounting studies relatively quick compared with engineering.

In November 2009, about a month before graduation, the university held a career fair, where I met Clare Tucker. I did a sort of pre-interview at that time. In December 2009, I graduated, and started looking for work, and I continued to work at the Tractor Supply Company where I been working during college. Eventually I got a call from the Comptroller's office and they made me an offer. I started with the Comptroller's office in April of 2010. I currently work in the division of State Audit, with the TennCare/Medicaid section.

Since I started working with the state, a lot has happened in my life. I got married on 10-10-10, here in Nashville, at the Parthenon. It was an intimate ceremony. In December 2011, my wife moved to Nashville with me, as she had been student teaching in West Tennessee. We spent 2011 exploring Nashville, going to festivals, art exhibits, shows, thrift stores and our personal favorite, many, many restaurants. We were blown away by the 4th of July celebrations. It's still one of our most memorable events in the city. We found out in March 2012, that



**Elvy “AJ” Rorie, IV**

we were going to have a baby. The rest of 2012 seems like a blur, the time spent scrambling to prepare. We had our daughter, Katherine, on 12-12-12.

I'm an early careers member of AGA, and currently serve on the education committee.

## Chapter Members' AGA National and Regional Participation

We would like to recognize members of the Nashville Chapter who are participating at the national and regional levels in AGA this year and thank them for their service to this organization.

### Members Participating at the National Level

**Gerry Boaz**, CGFM, Chair of the Professional Certification Board

**Michelle Earhart**, By-Laws and Procedures Committee

**Talia Lomax-O'dneal**, CGFM, Awards Committee

**Melinda Parton**, CGFM, Chair of the By-Laws and Procedures Committee

**Kathy Stickel**, CGFM, Finance and Budget Committee

### Members Participating at the Regional Level

**Karen B. Hale**, MAOM, CGFM, Immediate Past Regional Vice President and Chapter Development and Assistance Regional Coordinator

**Eugene S. Hampton, II**, CGFM, Membership and Early Careers Regional Coordinator

**Ron Queen**, CGFM, CPA, Certification Regional Coordinator

### Member News!

### Welcome New Members!

**Laura Isbell, CGFM, CPA, CFE** — has been promoted to Legislative Auditor 4 in the Division of State Audit in the Comptroller's Office.

Congratulations to Laura on her accomplishment! We wish her the very best as she continues to work for accountability in government financial management.

**Thomas Allen**, Department of Health, No sponsor  
**Loriann Davis**, Department of Finance and Administration, No sponsor

**Alicia Grice**, Comptroller of the Treasury, No sponsor  
**Cecilia Parsons**, State of Tennessee, No sponsor  
**Alicia Reynolds**, Department of Finance and Administration, Sponsored by Michelle Earhart

**William Sadler**, Comptroller of the Treasury, No sponsor  
**Salwa Suror**, Department of Safety, No sponsor  
**Chas Taplin**, Comptroller of the Treasury (Returning Member), Sponsored by Teresa Hensley  
**Tammy Thompson** (Returning Member), Sponsored by Clare Tucker

## Welcome to the Guests at the September 2013 Luncheon

**Crystal Allen** — guest of Margaret Walker  
**Satrice Allen** — guest of Angela McElrath-Prosser  
**Tommy Allen** — guest of Janice Moore  
**Colin Dudley** — guest of Anne Henson  
**Ashraf Gabous** — guest of Kay Ulmer  
**Karin Kopinski** — guest of Rashika Alwis  
**Lisa Parks** — guest of Kay Ulmer  
**Karen Pirtle** — guest of Keevia Battle  
**Shannon Powell-Eldridge** — guest of Kay Ulmer  
**Lisa Wells** — guest of Margaret Walker  
**Jacky Winters** — guest of Rusty Lacy  
**William Wood** — guest of Kathy Stickel

## News and Just the Facts!



### LUNCHEON/CEC MINUTES

To read the minutes from the most recent CEC and luncheon meeting, please visit the chapter website at [www.nashvilleaga.org](http://www.nashvilleaga.org). The luncheon minutes will be presented for approval at the next business meeting scheduled for October 14, 2013.

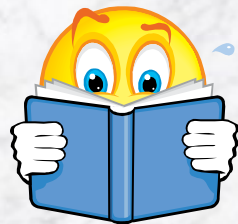
### JOB OPPORTUNITIES

From time to time departments forward job opportunities to the Website Committee which are posted for members' convenience. If you are interested in new job offerings or know someone who is, go to this link for detailed information: <http://nashvilleaga.org/jobs.html>.



### Editor's Corner

We truly enjoy reading articles submitted from our membership. Please share your thoughts and ideas or interesting news with us by submitting your article to [Karen.B.Hale@cot.tn.gov](mailto:Karen.B.Hale@cot.tn.gov) no later than October 18 for the next edition of our newsletter. If you have any questions, please let me know.



Thanks!

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