

AGA Chapter Meeting Minutes October 2009

Submitted by Shirley Henry, Secretary

The Nashville Area Chapter held its October meeting at the Nashville City Club on Thursday, October 1, 2009.

President Karen Hale called the meeting to order, and Tommie Pendergrass gave the invocation. Karen introduced the individuals at the head table: Melvin Jones, Jr., President-Elect; Jane Lacy, Two-Year Director; Corey Tester, Newsletter Editor; Tommie Pendergrass, Meetings and Attendance Committee Co-Chair; and Rhonda Williams, Awards Committee Co-Chair.

Karen welcomed everyone and asked those who had guests to introduce their guests. She also announced that the chapter has ten new members.

Jane Lacy introduced the speaker, Melvin Jones, Jr., CGFM, CPA. She also introduced Melvin's son, Chris, and Melvin's guest, Vicki Guye, Chief Audit Executive at the Bureau of TennCare. Mr. Jones is the Director of Internal Audit & Consulting Services for the Tennessee Department of Revenue. He spoke on "Government Services and the Importance of Integrity and Commitment to Our Principles." In appreciation for Mr. Jones speaking to us, the chapter made a donation to his charity of choice, Alive Hospice of Nashville.

Karen then called for announcements from the various committees.

Announcements

Community Service - Rhonda Williams shared some information about breast cancer and encouraged everyone to participate in the "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" 5-mile walk, which is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2009, at LP Field.

Tammy Fruscione announced that the donation of supplies for the Alex Green Elementary School has been down this year so the committee has decided to extend the donation period. She also announced opportunities to participate in the "Principal of the Day" program on October 28, 2009, and to serve as a volunteer tutor in math and reading at the school. She also reminded everyone that donations for the Second Harvest Food Bank will be accepted at each monthly meeting.

Tammy Thompson encouraged everyone to participate in the "Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes" walk, which is scheduled for Saturday, November 7, 2009, at the Nashville Zoo at Grassmere. Participants are welcome to stay and enjoy the zoo after the walk.

CGFM - Ron Queen announced that there will be a drawing at next month's meeting for three candidates to receive a CGFM exam subsidy and those interested in entering the drawing should e-mail Ron. He also said that his committee will be scheduling training to prepare people for the

CGFM exam. Ron also encouraged all individuals who have not obtained the CGFM certification to pursue the certification.

Education - Corey Tester announced that CPE forms are available for the September meeting and reminded everyone of the need to sign in when the meetings qualify for CPE. He also said that the Education Committee is planning to send out surveys after the monthly meetings.

Corey also announced that the next audio conference will be on October 7 and is entitled "Internal Controls for Auditors, Management, and Staff."

Since the door prize fish bowl was not available at last month's meeting, Karen Hale decided to have two names drawn at this meeting. Ted Fellman and Debra Bloomingburg were the two winners.

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

There being no further business, Karen Hale declared the meeting adjourned.