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CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINERS
CENTRAL OHIO CHAPTER
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NEWSLETTER**





Central Ohio Chapter of the C.F.E.

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“To improve fraud detection and deterrence through the education and interaction of our members and to aid community efforts to detect and prevent fraud”

FROM THE EDITOR

The BIG day has come and gone and to tell you the truth, I'm excited about it! After election day, it will be life altering; a breath of fresh air; a change, not only for me, but for countless other Americans ... and I'm not talking about the latest outcome of the Presidential election! I mean, that's pretty exciting too – but I'm talking about all of the TV ads, mailings, literature and those all-annoying automated telephone calls! WOW! Could it get any worse? My timing for staying at home trying to get some rest was never worse! Right when I was ready to get some sleep, either Barack, John, Joe, Sarah, Larry, Curly or Moe would be calling me ... and not letting me get a word in edge-wise ! They wouldn't stop talking! And then, you have people running a 'green' campaign whilst dropping off tons and tons of literature in my mailbox – I could just hear all of those trees dying! And those TV commercials – I didn't want to vote for anyone because of all of the negative ads! Well, my friends, we are free at last (for at least another 2 years); free to answer the phone and having a conversation; free to get the mail and not getting a hernia bringing it into the house; and free to watch TV and wonder if there are ANY good people out there in government! I think we should get a referendum to limit the amount of ads, mailings and phone calls from any candidate for the next election – and do you know how we do that? We gather a grass roots campaign utilizing TV ads, phone calls and mailings to people that are fed up with TV ads, phone calls and mailings and ... Oh Wait! Talk about your Catch-22! ☺

There is still even MORE change on the horizon than the outcome of the Presidential election – due to the feed back we got from the last luncheon, we've moved meeting locations again – this time to Franklin University, Frasch Hall, Room 411! Talk about 'Time for a Change'! (See directions and map on pages 5-7); also, if you plan on attending the luncheon, please fill out the menu (see page 8) and email it to Norman Hofmann (nahofmann@auditor.state.oh.us) no later than noon on November 17.

Hope to see you on November 19th!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to thank everyone who attended the September meeting and filled out the evaluation forms. Your input was very helpful. In response to your feedback, we have decided to try holding this month's meeting at Franklin University as the room at the Spaghetti Warehouse was not conducive to our meeting format.

We are still looking for up to five CFE candidates to assist towards obtaining their CFE certification for the Class of 2009. Anyone interested should contact Adam Featherling as soon as possible to express interest.

Please contact Adam if you have any ideas for a community service project focused on detecting and deterring fraud. The chapter in the past has assisted local law enforcement agencies with purchasing equipment that they could not fit into their budget. We are looking for new ideas, so don't be afraid to speak up!

If you are a member of National, remember to vote for the 2009-2010 Board of Regents. There are two open positions and many great candidates. Be sure to logon to <http://www.acfe.com/regents-election.asp> to read the candidates bios. You have until December 31, 2008 to place your vote.

Are you up to date on all of your ACFE reading materials? Have you read the "2008 Report to the Nation?" Reviewed the new guidelines for fighting fraud entitled "Managing the Business Risk of Fraud: A Practical Guide," published by ACFE, the AICPA and IIA? These materials as well as the "Compensation Guide for Anti-Fraud Professionals" can all be downloaded from ACFE's website for free!

I hope to see you at our next meeting Wednesday, November 19 at Franklin University, Frasch Hall, Room 411 at 11:30. Don't forget to speak up and share those great ideas!
Chrissie

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- Treasurer's report was delivered by Norman Hofmann and accepted by the Board. Norman Hofmann is currently entering data into QuickBooks to perform the compilation of our Financial Statements for FYE 2007 & 2008. Current money market/checking balance is \$29,523.13. The Board has approved the following expenses: \$125.00 and any legal expenses associated with filing Articles of Incorporation with the Ohio Secretary of State (Chrissie will ask Mike Moran to be statutory agent) and all expenses associated with filing state and federal tax returns for the Central Ohio Chapter. Currently, the treasurer is awaiting payment from AOS and AG regarding the 2008 conference.
- The Secretary's report was delivered by Aric Bizzarri. The Central Ohio chapter has 78 active members. Currently looking for members to assist with the membership committee (Jim McClary and Dave Welch have volunteered). Anyone else willing to help, please contact Aric or Danny.
- Chrissie Powers delivered the Training Director's report. The Board is currently looking for candidates for the class of 2009 – anyone interested please email Adam.
- A Spring Seminar Update was delivered to the Board. The 2008 Emerging Trends Conference had their wrap up meeting and was introduced to David Payne who will be working with CFE in planning this year's conference. AOS stated that no grants will be available to assist with this year's conference.
- The Board will once again be accepting requests for Community Projects. Please send all inquires to Adam Featherling.
- The Board is submitting information to Franklin University to update the Central Ohio CFE's website. The Board has seen 2 different mock-ups of the new website. A date for the new website to be launched has not yet been determined. Mike Day will work with Franklin regarding the transition of sites.
- OIA Joint Training – 1st meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2008. Danny will attend and receive assistance from Wanda Shepherd and Kevin Brun.



**SEPTEMBER 17, 2008
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by Chrissie Powers. Others in attendance were Aric Bizzarri, Danny Case, Mike Day, Norman Hofmann, Heinz Ickert, Adam Featherling, and Melissa Smart.

The following agenda items were discussed at the meeting:

- The August 2008 Board Meeting Minutes were accepted.

- Mike Day agreed to talk with Franklin regarding their interest in advertising in the Central Ohio CFE newsletter.
- Henry Smith is talking to Jan Orr regarding mentoring other chapter's involvement with the college students and local universities.
- New Business:
 - The Board has agreed to look into purchasing a new display board for the Central Ohio Chapter. Danny will review catalog and make recommendations.
 - Chrissie will follow up with the Ohio Analysts group regarding the possibility of a joint meeting.
 - The Board will review speaker evaluation forms to determine the following:
 - Members opinion on new meeting location.
 - The feasibility of the Chapter taking a tour of JP Morgan's proof operation and lock box facilities located near St. Ann's. Long or Short version.
- A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.



**NOVEMBER 19th
LUNCHEON SPEAKER
MICHAEL W. FANNON
ACTING SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
PREMIUM ENFORCEMENT TEAM - BWC**

Background

Mr. Fannon received a degree in Law Enforcement in 1986 and graduated from the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy in 1987. He worked both full and part time as a police officer from 1987 to 2008, achieving the rank of sergeant.

He began working for the Bureau of Workers Compensation Special Investigations Department in 1994 specializing in claimant fraud. Starting in

2005, Michael began specializing in the investigation of Workers Compensation Employer Fraud.

He has completed numerous training courses on white collar and financial crime as well as interview and interrogation and criminal case management.

Topic

Michael will be discussing the Special Investigations Departments efforts to investigate and prosecute Employer Fraud against the Ohio State Insurance Fund.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Get out your Franklin Planner, update your Outlook calendar or write these following dates on the back of your hand because, on the third Wednesday of the selected months, we've got a date at a designated location (it'll be a secret) for the Central Ohio CFE luncheons ... don't be late and I promise to have you home by midnight!!

- November 19, 2008
- January 21, 2009
- February, 2009 – OIA/CFE Conference
- April 15, 2009
- May, 2009 – Emerging Trends in Fraud
- June 17, 2009

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Once again, your Central Ohio CFE Chapter is soliciting ideas and requests for our annual Community Service Project! This is where we try to help out any Police Department/Community Service Project with an offer they can't refuse: MONEY!!!

**Please contact Adam Featherling!
Remember, we're here to HELP!!!**

You know that old saying "You can't hit a moving target" ... Well ...



WE'VE MOVED
...AGAIN!!

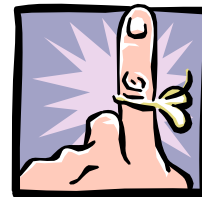
Our NEWEST of the NEW luncheon meeting place is now at FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY in FRASCH HALL in Room 411 (see map on pages 5-7 for directions)

FEBRUARY, 2009
Annual OIA/CFE Joint Training Seminar

If there are any topics or speakers that you would like to see added to the agenda, please notify Danny Case at:
Email - dlcase@aep.com
Phone - (614) 716-1153

SAVE THE DATE

The Ninth Annual Emerging Trends in Fraud Investigation and Prevention Conference has been scheduled for May 4 -5, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus, Ohio.



ANNOUNCEMENT

Your Board is interested in re-energizing our membership drive and would like your assistance. We are hoping to send out welcome letters to all members who have newly joined in addition to being present to talk to guests who are arriving at the luncheon. We are also interested in hearing any thoughts or suggestions that you may have on how we could obtain additional members.

Please feel free to send your thoughts and or concerns to Aric Bizzarri (aric.bizzarri@bwc.state.oh.us) or Danny Case (dlcase@aep.com). Hopefully, we could schedule a meeting or a teleconference for those available to assist prior to the November luncheon. We look forward to hearing from you.



Map & Parking Directions

Franklin University, Fresch Hall

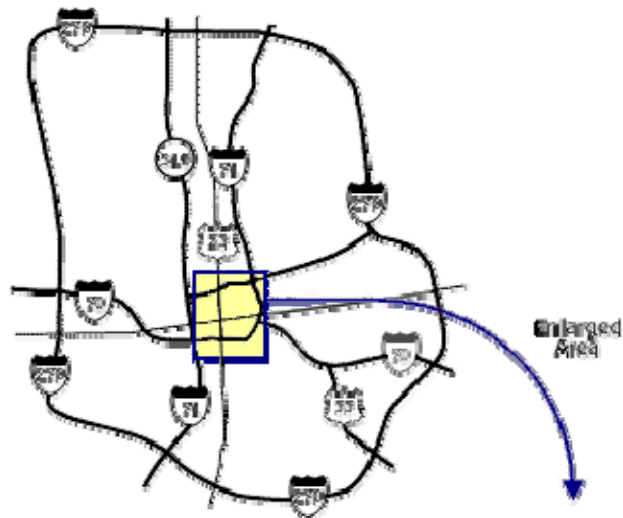
201 S. Grant Avenue
Downtown Columbus
(614) 797-4700

- FROM SOUTH OF DOWNTOWN:
 - Take I-71 north to Livingston Avenue exit
 - Follow Livingston Avenue east to Grant Avenue
 - Turn left (or north) on Grant Avenue
 - Fresch Hall is on the left between Rich and Town Streets

- FROM EAST OF DOWNTOWN:
 - Take I-70 west to Fourth Street exit
 - Follow Fourth Street (one way northbound) to Main Street
 - Turn right (or east) on Main Street
 - Turn left (or north) on Grant Avenue
 - Fresch Hall is on the left between Rich and Town Streets

- FROM NORTH OF DOWNTOWN:
 - Take I-71 south to the Main Street exit
 - Stay left on the exit ramp to the light
 - Cross Main Street onto the Rich Street connector
 - Follow Rich Street (one way, westbound) to Grant Avenue

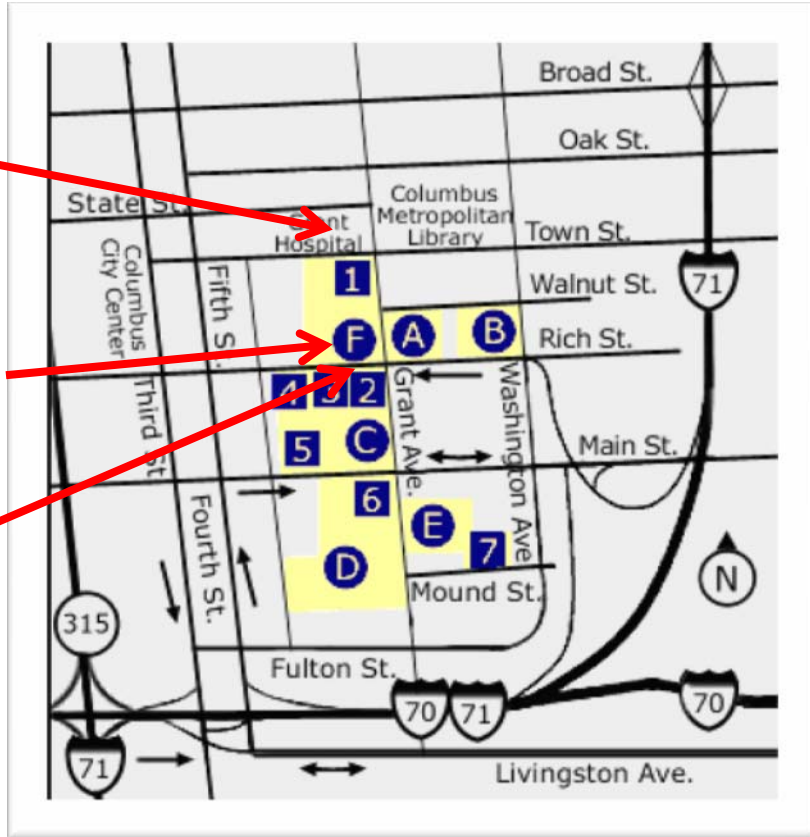
- Turn right (or north) on Grant Avenue
- Franklin 's Frasch Hall is on the left between Rich and Town Streets
- FROM WEST OF DOWNTOWN:
 - Take I-70 east to the Livingston Avenue exit
 - Follow Livingston Avenue east to Grant Avenue
 - Turn left (or north) on Grant Avenue
 - Franklin 's Frasch Hall is on the left between Rich and Town Streets



**1 = Frasch Hall
201 S. Grant Avenue**

**A, F, and C are the
closest parking lots. Lot F
is the least likely spot to
find a space during the
lunch hour.**

**Lot C is probably the best
bet.**



Name: _____
Meeting Date: _____

Please choose one main entree (pizza, stromboli, sub or salad), side and beverage. All meals come with a chocolate chunk cookie. Please send back to Norman by Monday, November 17 at noon.

Main Entrée (Pick one):

Pizza (7" individual):

- Pepperoni
- Cheese
- Works
- Hawaiian
- Mariachi Chicken
- Vegy
- Serious Meat

Stromboli:

- Pepperoni
- Deluxe
- Vegy

Subs(white or wheat):

- Big Don Italian
- Big Don Pizza
- Fresh Vegy
- Meatball
- white or wheat roll
- white or wheat roll
- white or wheat roll
- white or wheat roll

Salad:

- Italian Chef Entrée
- Chicken Harvest Entrée
- Tuscan Chicken Entrée

Salad Dressing:

- Buttermilk Ranch
- Honey French
- Italian
- Apple Vinaigrette
- Honey Mustard
- Tuscan Caesar
- Lite Italian

Side (pick one):

- Bag of Lays Potato Chips

- Italian Garden Side
- Tuscan Caesar Side

Salad Dressing:

- Buttermilk Ranch
- Honey French
- Italian
- Apple Vinaigrette
- Honey Mustard
- Tuscan Caesar
- Lite Italian

Beverage Choices (pick one):

- Coke
- Diet Coke
- Sprite
- Water

Please Email completed form to Norman at:
NAHOFMANN@auditor.state.oh.us

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED! In case you've forgotten, the Columbus Chapter CFE will be holding their next Luncheon November 19, 2008 at the **FRANLIN UNIVERSITY, FRASCH HALL, ROOM 411**. As is always the case, the food will be great and the speaker will be superb! However, reservations are required.

PRICES: \$12.00 Member/ \$14.00 Non-Member
RSVP: Norman Hofmann
(614)728-7164

E-Mail: nahofmann@auditor.state.oh.us

AGENDA: 11:15am Registration
11:30am Lunch
12:00n Speaker

POLICY: The deadline for reservations/cancellations is Monday, November 17, 12:00 noon.

NOTE: ALL RESERVATIONS MADE AND NOT CANCELED BY THE DEADLINE MUST BE PAID FOR.

BONUS: ONE LUNCHEON = ONE HOUR CPE
Check out the National CFE Website:
WWW.ACFE.COM

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