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CENTRAL OHIO CHAPTER
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NEWSLETTER**





Central Ohio Chapter of the C.F.E. SEPTEMBER, 2007

“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

Hey Kids! Guess what time it is? It's CFE time! You know your summer is officially coming to an end when you start getting the CFE newsletter! Hey! Don't shoot me, I'm just the newsletter editor! Well, I hope everyone had a great summer! Was it hot enough for you? There were a couple of days there that I could've sworn I saw the sun sweating!! But, I'm not going to complain; as the song goes, "to everything turn, turn, turn!" – no, that song was not describing a NASCAR race! (rim shot!)

On a bright note, even though the better part of the summer is behind us, we have fall and with fall comes ... football season! Evidently, the Big Ten Conference is in need of money, so instead of a Big Ten Telethon (a la Jerry Lewis), they came up with the Big Ten Network! It looks like the day of 'free' sports on TV is rapidly coming to an end! Only in America! By the way, if anyone out there HAS the Big Ten Network, you've just become a very popular person with more friends than you can remember! I mean, who knew your old roommate's study partner's second cousin, on his father's side, still had your phone number?

Not only do we have a new season of the year upon us, we've got a new CFE year, a new Board and some really good, innovative ideas in store for you this year!

Don't miss the first luncheon of the new year at the River Club on September 19th. This is YOUR luncheon; we're going to open the floor up, not to dance, but to hear what's on your mind and so you can hear what direction the Chapter is going to be taking! It's a time to express any concerns you have; ideas for improvement or any changes that you feel would make the Chapter better.

See you there! MT

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome back from summer break!

Your Board has met and have begun planning for the new program year. Our first meeting will be September 19 at Confluence Park. We will not have a speaker, but we plan to have an open forum discussing the direction you the members would like to see the Chapter head. Some of the issues we would like to hear your feedback on are:

1. Holding chapter meetings every other month rather than on a monthly basis.
2. Updating the chapter website and the items you would like to see available.
3. Having the membership directory available to our local members.
4. Future speakers and topics you are interested in hearing.
5. What would you like the chapter to do with the \$400 reward money if we qualify for the reward program?

Please gather your thoughts prior to the meeting and come ready to discuss these issues with the Board.

National is offering a reward program to close out 2007, worth \$400 to our chapter. If 20 new associates join National by December 21 and mention the Central Ohio Chapter as the referring party, we could earn some extra cash.

I am working on coordinating joint meetings with possibly the RIMS Group, Central Ohio IIA Chapter, and the Council for Ethical Leadership. As the dates are scheduled, they will be posted in the newsletter and on our website. Be sure to keep your eyes open and put them in your PDA.

I am unable to attend the September meeting as the doctor has ordered me off of work and put me on moderate bed rest with my pregnancy. I feel as though I am Maratha Stewart on house arrest;

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however, I don't have the cute little ankle bracelet. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Chrissie

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**MAY 16, 2007
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by Chrissie Powers. Others in attendance were Danny Case, Henry Smith, Mike Day, and Training Officer Adam Featherling.

The following agenda items were discussed at the meeting:

- The April 2007 Board Meeting Minutes were accepted.

- Adam Featherling reported that he had received feedback from three of the 2007 scholarship recipients on their progress on the CFE review material. The individuals indicated that generally they were on track with the completion of their study material.
- There were no new responses for the chapter's Community Project. It was decided to make an announcement at the upcoming Emerging Trends conference concerning this chapter activity. The Board tabled all action on the requests of the Union County Sheriff's Office and Columbus Police Department until the fall meeting pending additional information and new requests.
- An update on the Emerging Trends conference was provided to the Board. At this time, everything is set, speakers have all been confirmed, etc. The Board discussed the Chapter's display which will be set up at the conference. Available Board members will staff the display during breaks and lunch periods. Membership applications will be made available at the display. Available Board members will take Jim Ratley – President ACFE to dinner on Monday evening, May 21, 2007.
- The Board approved a motion to add a caption to the chapter's membership application requesting the ID number of those members who are members of National ACFE.
- Danny Case informed the Board that Kelli Coleman DelGuzzo and Gregg Thornton of the Ohio Investigators Association (OIA) would be present at the luncheon to present to the Chapter, one-half of the net proceeds from the joint training session held on February 9, 2007.
- The Board was reviewed the ballot for the elections occurring at the May luncheon meeting. The positions to be filled are Vice President, Secretary and one Board Member At Large.
- A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

At the close of the luncheon meeting, Chrissie Powers announced the results of the elections:

Vice President – Mike Day
Secretary – Aric Bizzarri
Board Member at Large –
Danny Case



AUGUST 17, 2007
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING

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

The following agenda items were discussed at the meeting:

- The May 2007 Board Meeting Minutes were accepted.
- Treasurer's report was delivered by Melissa Smart and accepted by the Board (check book balance as of the end of month was \$19,204.47). The Board is currently in search of someone to perform the audit of our Financial Statements for FYE 2007.
- Adam Featherling delivered the Training Director's report. Adam only had updates from 3 of the 5 participants. The Board is looking forward to the selection of the 2008 class candidates in November.
- The Board discussed different options regarding signing a contract with Confluence Park and the possibility of reducing the number of monthly meetings. Additional discussion will take place at the September meeting.
- Chrissie Powers noted that no changes were made from the prior year with regards to the Chapter Bylaws and ACFE Codes.
- Chrissie Powers provided the Board with information that she obtained at the National ACFE Conference.
- A Spring Seminar Update was delivered to the Board by Lynda Buel. The 2008

Emerging Trends Conference has been scheduled for May 13 & 14, 2008 at the Hyatt downtown.

- The Board will once again be accepting requests for Community Projects. Please send all inquires to Adam Featherling.
- The Board discussed the option of putting together a membership directory and possibly revamping the website to include the directory and chapter bylaws.
- The following Board members are responsible for obtaining speakers for the monthly meetings: Chrissie (September), Melissa (October), and Mike (November).
- A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.



SEPTEMBER 19th
LUNCHEON SPEAKER
OPEN FORUM

This month's meeting speaker will be ...

YOU!

Chrissie is opening up the luncheon to all the members to fill them in on the latest and greatest ideas that the Board has been mulling over. This would be a perfect time for you to voice your opinion on those topics and/or any other topics that you think could be started, improved or changed!

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 every month, we've got a date at the River Club for the Central Ohio CFE luncheons ... don't be late and I promise to have you home by midnight!!

- September 19, 2007
 - October 17, 2007
 - November 21, 2007
 - December 19, 2007
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- January 16, 2008
- February 20, 2008
- March 19, 2008
- April 16, 2008
- May 21, 2008

Intelligence Analyst – New Cutting Edge Career

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call 216-373-5286 or visit our web site www.notredamecolleg.edu/professiona_development Fall & Winter cohorts are now being formed.

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 inform a Board Member! Remember, we're here to HELP!!!

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We are looking to assist five CFE candidates towards obtaining their CFE certification for the Class of 2008. Anyone interested should contact Adam Featherling (403-0591) so the Board can vote on candidates by the November meeting!

Message from the Treasurer

Happy September, Central Ohio Chapter! Hopefully everyone has had a fun-filled summer with family and friends. I, for one, am looking forward to the cooler autumn weather and some exciting college football.

As we move back into our active schedule of board meetings, luncheons, and 2008 event planning, I would like to ask each of

you for assistance in making my job as treasurer a bit easier.

In the coming months, please be prepared to pay for luncheon meeting fees and membership dues by check. Paying by check will allow me to utilize the ATM for deposits after business hours, and will greatly ease the sign-in process for the luncheons. Please indicate the purpose of the check in the memo section, and if you are paying by company check, indicate who the check is covering.

Also, please be aware that going forward membership applications/renewals and payments that are submitted for incorrect membership levels will be returned unprocessed. In the past, it has been our practice to issue an invoice for the difference. Unfortunately, the invoices do not always get addressed and I do not have the ability to effectively act in the capacity of a collection agent. The membership application has recently been modified to clarify the difference in the membership levels, so hopefully this will minimize the confusion that has caused issues in the past.

Thank you all in advance for your help and cooperation!

Melissa Smart

2007 - 2008 ELECTION WINNERS

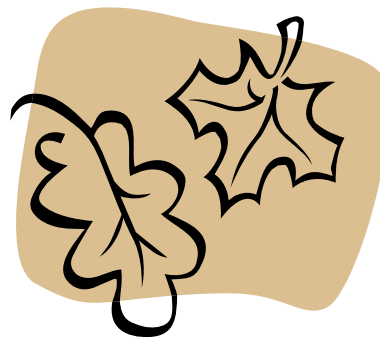


**VICE-PRESIDENT
Michael E. Day, CGAP, CFE**

**SECRETARY
Aric Bizzarri, CFE**

**BOARD MEMBER
Danny Case, CFE, CPA**

**Congratulations to everyone who
participated in the election!**



RESERVATIONS REQUIRED! In case you've forgotten, the Columbus Chapter CFE will be holding their next Luncheon September 19, 2007 at the **RIVER CLUB (CONFLUENCE PARK)**. 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: Melissa Smart
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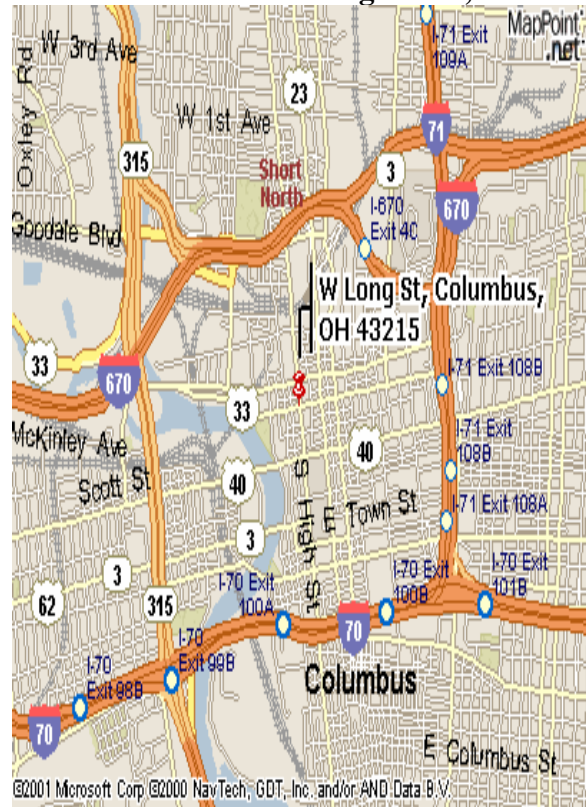
AGENDA: 11:15am Registration
11:30am Lunch
12:00n Speaker

POLICY: The deadline for reservations/cancellations is Monday, September 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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