

The AGA Messenger

President's Message

Lee Ann Watters

It's amazing how quickly a year rolls around. It seems like just yesterday that I agreed to serve as President-elect and here we are with a new year, and my term as President, starting.

I'm sure that each of you join me in thanking last year's officers for their dedication and service. We just completed another award-winning year. Rick Waddle, President-Elect, will be representing us at the National Professional Development conference in Washington D.C. at the end of June and will be accepting a Chapter Recognition Award on behalf of our Chapter.

I'd like to extend a special thanks to everyone who has agreed to serve as officers for the coming year. Welcome back to Sydney Lawson who rejoins the executive council as Program Coordinator after a brief respite. Lydia Reynolds is joining executive council for the first time as our Newsletter Editor.

I have had the privilege of serving on the executive council for the past five years. It has been a pleasure because of the dedicated service of my fellow officers. We still have two positions open on our slate – Secretary and Historian. If you are interested in filling either of these positions please contact me or any member of CEC for information. I'm sure that whoever fills these offices will find it to be a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

We are looking forward to an exciting new year. Currently, we are planning initiatives to increase our membership and to raise our level of community service. Additionally, we plan to hold a fundraiser for our Scholarship Fund to enable us to award a larger dollar amount in the coming year. We hope, by offering a larger scholarship, to increase the number of applications we receive and thereby raise awareness of AGA at the collegiate level.

The Executive Committee hopes to have a large number of our membership participate in these projects over the coming year. We, as officers, have found our involvement in AGA to be a rewarding experience. We hope that as each of you increase your involvement in AGA projects and activities you will experience the same personal rewards each of us has.

In the coming months, I'll be filling you in about our Regional Leadership Conference and the National Professional Development Conference.

Until next month...

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Kentucky State Auditor Crit Luallen at Awards Banquet

June Speaker

The Central Kentucky Chapter will hold its June meeting at The Office Pub and Deli on June 3, 2004.

Joan House-Salley, a Specialist at the Kentucky Division of Historic Properties, will speak to the group about historic preservation within Franklin County.

A resident of Frankfort, Ms. House-Salley has spent six years in Historic Preservation. She received her B.A. in history from Kentucky State University and will be graduating this fall from the University of Kentucky with an M.A. in Historic Preservation.

May Chapter Meeting Notes

Phil Nally

The Central Kentucky Chapter held its Annual Awards Banquet at Serafini Restaurant on May 6, 2004. There were 24 members and guests in attendance.

President Roy Hunter presented community service contributions to Amy Oliver Steinkuhl from Indian Summer Day Camp and Nola Gregory from the University of Kentucky Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Center. Awards will be mailed to the Franklin County Women's Shelter and the Frankfort Soup Kitchen.

President Hunter also presented gifts to the 2003-2004 Chapter Executive Committee. He presented Don Fields, Chapter Historian, with a special gift to honor his years to the chapter. Don recently retired from the Transportation Cabinet.

Following lunch, Roy introduced State Auditor Crit Luallen. She stated she began her political career in Wendell Ford's 1974 U.S. Senate campaign. She has been Commissioner at the De-

partment for the Arts and Secretary of the Tourism and Finance and Administration Cabinets. She most recently was Secretary of the Governor's Executive Cabinet for seven years in the Patton administration.

Auditor Luallen decided to run for State Auditor to continue her dedication to public service. She complimented the Auditor's staff for their professionalism. She discussed two recently completed audits and how her office assisted in avoiding some difficult situations.

Auditor Luallen said that elected leaders should have a broad understanding of government. One purpose of the auditor is to help ensure that limited resources are used effectively. With the current gridlock between the Legislative and Executive branches, it is important to look to the long-term challenges, instead of the near-term.

Ms. Luallen stated that public service is a high calling. Kentucky's employees help to contribute to Kentucky's future.

Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Notes For June

Lydia Reynolds



The Association of Government Accountants, Central Kentucky Chapter, held its monthly Chapter Executive Committee meeting at Viva La Pasta on June 2, 2004, with eleven members in attendance: Lydia Reynolds, Lee Ann Watters, Roy Hunter, Sharon Parrish, Linda Sagraves, Mary Hudson, Amy Small, Dan Flaherty, Rick Waddle, Phil Nally and Cindy Upton.

Lee Ann Watters announced that Rick Waddle, President-Elect, will be the chapter's representative to National Professional Development Conference. Discussion took place and it was decided that the chapter would pay for our delegate's travel expenses.

The problem of unfilled CEC positions was discussed. After hearing recommendations for office holders, it was decided that Lydia Reynolds would fill the position of Secretary and Roy Hunter would fill the position of Historian, pending any membership interest received after the newsletter goes out.

Membership meeting locations and the chapter subsidy of members' meals was discussed and put on hold until next month's CEC meeting. The date of July's membership meeting was set for July 8, 2004.

It was decided by the committee that gifts for the speaker at each membership meeting should not exceed \$25.

Amy Small discussed Community Service activities for the year. She suggested that the chapter sponsor one charity per quarter. Members should send suggestions for charities to support to Amy Small.

The idea of a scholarship fundraiser was discussed. Members of the committee will brainstorm on this and get back to Lee Ann on ideas. Sharon Parrish suggested making calls to

departmental chairs at colleges to increase awareness of the scholarship.

Lydia Reynolds requested information for the newsletter.

The next CEC meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 30 at Super Buffet.

Correspondence

Thank you cards were received from the Franklin County, Grant County and Boone County Animal Shelters in recognition of our contributions.

If you have any suggestions for any other community service projects, let Amy Small or any CEC member know!

Dates to Remember

June 30 Chapter Executive Council
11:30 a.m.
Super Buffet

July 1 July Chapter Meeting
11:30 a.m.
Office Pub & Deli

June 27-30 National Professional Development Conference
Washington, D.C.

Central Account		Education Account	
Beginning Bank Balance	\$2,913.71	Beginning Bank Balance	\$3,297.17
Revenue:		Revenue:	
Interest	1.98		
Total Revenue	1.98	Total Revenue	0
Expenses:		Expenses:	
Total Expenses	0	Total Expenses	0
Ending Bank Balance	\$2,915.69	Ending Bank Balance	\$3,297.17

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