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President's NotesBy Jason Conner, CFE



The 21st Annual Fraud Conference is now in the rear view mirror. I hope everyone enjoyed the speakers as much as I did. Thanks to everyone who worked to make it a success! Also, congratulations to all of our door prize winners! We will be emailing CPE certificates and evaluation links to everyone who signed in at the conference. If you signed in and do not get your certificate and/or evaluation link by the end of this month, please let us know.

We are still compiling a first-come, first-served list for those interested in volunteering for the

Global Fraud

Conference in June. My understanding, at this time, is that one volunteer will be stationed in each break-out session room each day. That person is responsible for making announcements and for introducing speakers. Volunteers will also be responsible for helping people find available seating during general sessions. As soon as I get more information, I will pass it on.

We still have two CPE luncheons and one social event before the end of the chapter year. I hope to see you all at the next luncheon on April 20th.

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2016-2017 Calendar of Events

We will hold our 2016 – 2017 CFE luncheons at the Scarritt-Bennett Center located at 1008 19th Avenue South in Nashville. You will find this year's calendar below. All luncheons will begin at 11:30 am. The upcoming event dates for this year are:

4/20/2017 5/18/2017 6/8/2017 6/18-23/2017 Luncheon
Luncheon
Member Social *
National Conference in Nashville



The Middle Tennessee Chapter of CFE celebrates our members this year! We are focusing on our members, bringing them the best quality training events and CPE earning luncheons that we can, while also allowing our members to share their wealth of knowledge in detecting and fighting fraud. To do that, we are asking members to step up and out at a luncheon and

share a case study, a technique, or a scheme that others can benefit from and apply in their own practice. Our members are important! They have important and valuable jobs where they try to retain various resources for their companies and clients while making sure the expenditures of those resources are done without fraud, waste or abuse.



Please celebrate with us and join us in a CPE event or social!



^{*} member-only events

CFE Prep Course Giveaway

The Middle Tennessee Chapter, ACFE, has a drawing each year to give away a CFE Exam Prep Course, valued at \$745 (member price) to a chapter member who is not yet a CFE. To be eligible:

- 1. Contestant must be a member of the Middle Tennessee Chapter of the ACFE, in good standing for at least six (6) months (prior to the date of the drawing).
- 2. The Contestant must have not yet earned their CFE certification.
- 3. The Contestant must be eligible and willing to meet all requirements to become a Certified Fraud Examiner and sit for the CFE exam by December 31st of the year in which the contestant is determined to be the winner of the contest and receives the prep course.
- 4. Should it be determined the winning Contestant has not met the requirements set forth above, the winning contestant must reimburse the Chapter for the cost of the prep course by January 31st in the year following the drawing (i.e. Contestant wins the prep course in June 2016; reimbursement would be due January 2017).

To Enter:

All those who are eligible and agree to the terms of the drawing should contact <u>Mark.Ingram@tn.gov</u> to enter the drawing and submit the *CFE Exam Prep Course Giveaway Contest, Agreement to Terms and Conditions* form no later than June 1st.

CPE Certificates

How do attendees to events get a CPE certificate? Certificates are emailed out after the event. If you did not get a certificate, it may be that you did not pay, failed to sign in at the event, or gave a wrong email address. Please remember to update your information on the new chapter website to ensure that you will receive your certificate promptly.



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Please email <u>info@middletennesseecfe.org</u> to request a copy of your CPE certificate.

Event Sign-In Sheets



Remember to complete the sign-in sheet at the event registration table to be eligible to receive your CPE credits and certificate. The Chapter will email your CPE certificate to you after the event. Once the event has ended, the sign-in sheets are completed. Signatures of the attendees on the sign-in sheet will be the only valid evidence of attendance. If you do not sign in, you waive your right to receive CPE credits.

Important Information Regarding CPE Suspensions



According to http://www.acfe.com/myannouncements.aspx, beginning January 1, 2015, CFEs with five or more years of CPE suspensions will be placed into Associate member status. Should these individuals want to reinstate the CFE credential they will be required to take the CFE Exam. If you have any questions about this new requirement, contact the ACFE at 1-800-245-3321. If a CFE does not certify compliance on an annual basis, their credential will be placed into suspension. Suspended

status prohibits individuals from representing themselves as CFEs to the general public and using the credential in any form.

Chapter Scholarships

Our chapter gives away thousands of dollars in scholarships each year to deserving students. Please see our chapter website at

https://middletennesseecfe.wildapricot.org/Scholarships for more information.



Social Media



Our chapter is now on social media! We are on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ACFENashville and on Twitter @AcfeNashville. Please like and follow us! A big thanks to Board Member-at-Large Barry Pruitt for getting us set up. The Chapter plans to set up a LinkedIn page as well in the near future.

Important Meeting Information

Luncheon Reservation/Cancellation Policy—Please Take Note!



Please be sure you make reservations for the luncheons prior to attending. We need the reservations to plan appropriately for our attendees and to eliminate confusion at the luncheons. You will receive a confirmation email after you submit your reservation.

Luncheons are \$10.00 for members who make their reservations by the reservation deadline, usually the COB one week prior to the luncheon. For members who make a reservation

but do not attend or call to cancel, the cost is \$20.00. Individuals who attend without making a reservation will also be charged \$20.00.

To cancel your reservation and avoid being invoiced for the event, you must notify the reservation-ist at mary.cole@nashville.gov before the reservation deadline (usually one week prior to the date of the event). If you cancel after the deadline or fail to appear at the event, you will be invoiced for the full per-attendee cost, including other fees that apply as deemed appropriate by the Board. Any pre-paid fees that you have will be applied to the invoiced amount.

Any invoices that are unpaid after 60 days will result in the suspension of membership in the Middle Tennessee Chapter under the current Chapter Bylaws Section 3.09, Non-payment of <u>Dues</u>*. As a result of suspension, any reservations you make for future events will not be **ACCEPTED** and you will not be allowed to attend Chapter luncheons or take advantage of member benefits until your outstanding invoices are paid.

We typically have a waiting list for our events, so if you must cancel your reservation, **PLEASE** notify the reservationist at mary.cole@nashville.gov as soon as possible, or you may have someone attend in your place to avoid being invoiced for the luncheon. If you have someone take your place, you must notify the reservationist or have the substitution notify the reception/sign-in table at the luncheon when signing-in.

Other exceptions may apply in extreme situations (i.e. death of a family member) and will be reviewed on a case by case basis at the discretion of the Chapter Board at the member's request.

Members, if you are inviting nonmembers to attend who are not first time attendees, please be sure that they are fully aware of their costs and our cancellation and invoicing policy. First-time guests eat free. After a guest's first visit, he or she will be charged \$20.00 according to the nonmember fee schedule. No Free Guests are allowed at joint luncheons, due to elevated costs, or Member Benefits Events, such as the December Luncheon or January Member Benefit Training Day.

If you have any questions concerning the luncheon costs or the Chapter's cancellation policy, please feel free to contact Mark Ingram, Chapter Treasurer at mark.ingram@tn.gov.

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to our chapter!

Tracy Allen Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Sandy Baird Baird Dental Business Concepts

Rich Glasgow Regions Bank

Elise Kamiya Precision Dynamics Int'l

Carlos Landeros Middle Tennessee State University (Student Member)

Joseph Lee Regions Bank Gregory Poss Regions Bank

Jimmy Stewart Comptroller of the Treasury



28th Annual ACFE Global Fraud Conference June 18-23, 2017 Nashville, TN



This year's ACFE Global Fraud Conference will be held right here in Nashville at the Music City Center! Our local chapter has been asked to provide volunteers for the event. Volunteers will receive free registrations for the conference!

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact a member of the chapter board. You must be a member of the Middle Tennessee chapter in order to volunteer.

Information about the conference is available at http://www.fraudconference.com/. There are registration discounts available for groups. Please contact Mark Ingram, Chapter Treasurer, at mark.ingram@tn.gov for more information.

21st Annual MTACFE Fraud Conference

Thank you to everyone who attended our 21st annual Fraud Conference, which was held March 6-7 at One Century Place! Our speakers did a fantastic job, and we all learned things that will make us better in our jobs. Many thanks to Gina Estrada from national ACFE, who manned the AFCE bookstore throughout the conference. Congratulations to the gift card winners: Martha Boyd, Kerry Dye, Judy Tribble, Brent Rumbley, Brian Fazenbaker, and Martin Brown. And, congratulations to Zach Nixon, who won a registration for the national conference in Nashville. See you all in 2018!













April Luncheon Information



We will hold our April luncheon on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at 11:30 am in the Raintree Room at the Scarritt-Bennett Center. Scarritt-Bennett is located at 1008 19th Avenue South, Nashville, TN 37212. Directions are available at http://www.scarrittbennett.org/about/maps-directions/

Important New Parking Information

Due to issues with unauthorized parking by Vanderbilt students, **Scarritt-Bennett is now requiring parking passes for those attending events on its campus**. Scarritt-Bennett asked that our luncheon attendees place the parking pass at the end of this newsletter on their dashboard when parking at Scarritt-Bennett Center. You can also download the parking pass at

http://www.middletennesseecfe.org/resources/Documents/Luncheon%20parking%20pass%20PDF.pdf.

This is effective immediately for the November luncheon, and you can use the same pass for subsequent luncheons. Please note that this pass does not guarantee parking will be available. Scarritt-Bennett staff will begin taking license plates and towing repeat offenders without an identifiable pass.

Scarritt-Bennett visitor parking is available in Parking Lot A or Parking Lot B. Please be aware that parking can be limited due to other events held on the same day as ours. Other parking options include the Wesley Place Garage on Scarritt Place between 19th and 21st Avenues or the meters along 19th Avenue. Approximate prices are \$1.00 per half hour and the parking meters are \$1.50 per hour in the Central Business District. Members may want to consider carpooling or bringing cash or change to pay for parking if necessary.



Member Spotlight Tina Green



I was born and raised in a small town in Arkansas to wonderful parents, Leroy and Naomi Moore. From an early age my parents instilled in me and my four siblings core values that we take with us to this day. They worked hard and laid a great foundation for us, establishing the principal that whatever job you do, you always give it your best. I feel quite fortunate to have been taught such valuable lessons. My father is deceased, and my mother is currently battling Alzheimer's...a very, very cruel disease.

I graduated from Marvell High School, in Marvell, Arkansas. After graduating from High School I attended the University of Arkansas in Pine Bluff (UAPB), in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where I received my Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. Upon completion of my under-graduate degree, I left Arkansas and moved to Huntsville, Alabama. There I enrolled in the Master's Program at Alabama A&M University. I received my Master's Degree in May 1983.

It was while there in Huntsville that I met my husband, Roderick Green, on a chance encounter in the summer of 1982. One year later we were married, and have been together ever since. Rod is a licensed representative with AETNA, and works primarily in the Senior market with Medicare Supplements. He loves what he does because he enjoys helping people with a product they need. He's always been very supportive of me, and vice versa, which is important in having a successful career and marriage. July 17 marked our 33rd wedding anniver-



sary. A little over two years into our marriage we were blessed to have a beautiful daughter, Ambroshia JoNai. At an early age, Ambroshia would accompany me to work when we lived in Huntsville.



company me to work when we lived in Huntsville. At that time, I co-owned a Bookkeeping and Accounting firm called Williams and Green. Ambroshia always wanted to help out at the office, so she learned the value of a dollar early on – when we got paid, she got paid. © She's currently an established Account Manager over in Atlanta, GA, where she's married to her wonderful husband, Terrance, and raising the love of my life – my granddaughter, Avani Milan, who is two years old.

I am currently employed with Deloitte & Touche, where I serve as a Team Lead with the Business Expense Substantiation (BES) Team, within Policy and Compliance. I began my career with Deloitte in March 1999, so I completed my 17th year at Deloitte this past March.

Outside of work, Rod and I enjoy doing things together. We like spending time showing love for God and Neighbor. We also enjoy the simple things of life, like riding around sight-seeing and going fishing. We love traveling when we have time, and love the ocean. We recently spent a few days in Florida, enjoying the lovely beaches of Panama City Beach! Oh yeah, one other thing, Rod is from Alabama, so in the fall of the year we "Roll" with this team in some city down there called Tuscaloosa!! Being from Arkansas, we also love my Razorbacks!

Middle Tennessee ACFE Chapter Library

Did you know that the Middle Tennessee Chapter has a library of fraud-related books that are available to members? To check out books, contact Suzanne Smotherman, chair of the Library Committee, at (615) 253-2020 or Suzanne.Smotherman@tn.gov. The library is currently housed on the 16th floor of the James K. Polk building.



Member Spotlight Volunteers Needed



The Newsletter Committee is looking for volunteers to be featured in the Member Spotlight! If you would like to volunteer, please contact a member of the Newsletter Committee. It's a great way to introduce yourself to the chapter!

Speaker Search

Our chapter is always on the lookout for speakers for luncheons, the Member Benefit Day, and the Annual Fraud Conference. If you know of someone who might be willing to speak, please contact the chapter Training Director, Suzzie Singleton, at Suzzie.Singleton@cot.tn.gov.



Newsletter Articles



Do you have a great article to contribute to the Middle Tennessee Chapter, ACFE newsletter? If so, we would love to hear from you! Please contact a member of the Newsletter Committee with your ideas and articles. Remember, you receive points for your articles that count toward the trip to the National ACFE conference! Also, if you note any corrections that need to be made, please contact one of us.



National ACFE Conference Contest Points System



Congratulations to Barry Pruitt, who won an all-expense paid trip to the 2017 national conference, which will be held in Nashville. Start compiling your points for the 2018 national conference! To be eligible for the contest, you must be a member of MTACFE, in good standing, for at least 12 months, and you must have attended a prior MTACFE annual fraud conference. Submit a breakdown of your total points earned between January 2017 and December 2017 to mark.ingram@tn.gov by February 15, 2018. Please have supporting documentation available for your points.

Category	<u>Points</u>
Attending Monthly Chapter Meeting	1 point per meeting
Publish Article in Chapter Newsletter	2 points
Sponsoring a New Member	2 points per new member
Publish member profile in Chapter Newsletter	1 point
Contribution to "Been There, Said That, Done That"	1 point/contribution/month
Publication of Case Results	2 points
Participating as a speaker in the Chapter Speaker's Bureau	2 points per engagement
Publication of an article in the Association's Fraud Magazine	e 3 points
Attending the Chapter's Annual Fraud Conference	2 points
Service on Chapter Committee	2 points



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