



AFP Bluegrass Chapter News

A Note from the AFP Bluegrass President

This time of year, always makes me think of new growth and fresh beginnings. Every time I attend an AFP luncheon or conference, I discover something new that helps me be a better professional. I love learning new things whether at a lunch meeting, conference or a conversation with a colleague - it helps me refocus and gives me a boost to better serve my donors and agency.

AFP offers so many opportunities for members to learn and grow - from seasoned professionals to those just starting out in the profession. So far in 2018, our chapter has learned about philanthropy from a corporate perspective from Lexington Legends CEO Andy Shea, found out more about the new tax law from experts Tim Burcham, Mike Delzotti and Danielle Clore, and reacquainted ourselves with the AFP Code of Ethics which Ben Mohler taught us were the "best 25 ways for a fundraiser to stay out of jail".



There are AFP membership opportunities at every level - professional fundraisers, those associated with related business fields, young professionals and non-profits. We are also fortunate to have scholarship opportunities. If you are interested in joining AFP, please check out our scholarship opportunities by visiting - <https://bit.ly/2xjBlej>.

Over the next few months, we have other fun chances to learn and grow. We will begin the quarter with "AFP Day at the Races", a fun event at Keeneland on Wednesday, April 18th. Mike Geiger, AFP International President and CEO will be joining us for the afternoon. In May, we will hear from Kaelyn Query who will enlighten us on "The Power of the Party" and in June, Andrew Potter will teach us about "LinkedIn and Prospect Research".

"To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow" - Audrey Hepburn. This is one of my favorite quotes and to me speaks volumes about philanthropy and the work we do. Just as we cultivate and steward our donors to encourage them to plant seeds in our organizations, so does AFP, planting opportunities for members to grow through professional relationships, learning opportunities through luncheons and advancement in the profession.

I look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event!

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AFP Bluegrass Scholarships Available!

You can receive a scholarship to cover your membership, membership renewal fee, register for the AFP International Conference and more. Check out your options below:

- Young Professional Membership Scholarship covers entire membership cost of \$95
- Professional Membership Scholarship covers entire membership cost of \$275
- Associate Membership Scholarship covers \$150 of the membership cost
- Small Nonprofit Membership Scholarship covers \$150 of the membership cost
- AFP International Conference Chamberlain Scholarship 2019 covers registration cost less a \$10.00 processing fee
- CFRE Certification Scholarship covers \$250 of the exam fee

These scholarships are for potential AFP Bluegrass members, too. Know someone who may benefit from becoming a member? Share this email with them!

Click [here](#) for full scholarship information.

This is Tina's Scholarship Story



Tina Pugel

I have been a member of AFP for many years. I think the camaraderie, education and networking is essential to my professional growth as a fundraiser. Last year, after budget cuts, I discovered I would not be able to renew my membership through my organization. I inquired about the scholarship. Having been a member of AFP for a while, I was aware we offered membership scholarships but had not applied.

I am grateful AFP provides scholarships, because whether we serve in large or small nonprofits, sometimes funds are not available for professional development. The scholarship provides me with the opportunity to continue to learn about the fundraising profession, gain new ideas or solve issues through networking with colleagues, and enjoy the social aspect of being with people who have the same passion for fundraising.

I currently serve as the Director of Annual Campaign for the YMCA of Central Kentucky. I think it is very fitting that I raise funds for the YMCA so we can provide scholarships for anyone to be a part of the Y and I also received a scholarship to be supported by the AFP in the work I do everyday.

AFP Bluegrass Named Ten Star Chapter



AFP International announced that the AFP Bluegrass Chapter has earned the Chapter Ten Star award. These awards honor those chapters who have accomplished many of the key objectives outlined in the AFP International Strategic Plan.

Be the Cause

Excitement is building for the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy's BE the CAUSE Campaign! This individual giving program supports essential tools and resources like the AFP Online Knowledge Center, the Chamberlain Scholarship, and Advocacy for policies and issues that impact nonprofits.

Special thanks to the following AFP Bluegrass Chapter members who have already made an investment in the future of our profession and advancing philanthropy for the greater good with a gift to the BE the CAUSE Campaign! (As of March 19, 2018)

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Please join us! Make your gift today at <https://bit.ly/1S0mGYF>.



Upcoming Events!

Wednesday, April 18, AFP Day at the Races (Sold Out)

Wednesday, May 16, AFP Luncheon, The Power of the Party, presented by Kaelyn Query, LexEffects

Save the Date!

National Philanthropy Day 2018 will be held on Friday, November 2 at Embassy Suites by Hilton Lexington. Watch for more details coming soon!

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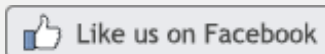


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AFP Bluegrass Chapter is an organization of fundraising professionals in central and eastern Kentucky. We are committed to improving the practice and profession of fundraising in our area.

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