

# QUALIFIED OPINION

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## ACE Awards Luncheon 2018



The Association of  
Accountants and  
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in Business

**Buffalo Wild Wings:** 3150 Boardwalk Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108

**Time:** 5:30-8:30pm

**Date:** **September 21, 2018**

**Price:** \$5 for students – \$10 for members – \$20 for guests/non-members

### ***DIDN'T YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS?***

The Ann Arbor IMA has Meals-on-Wheels on the second Saturday of every month from 10:30 to 12:00. If you are interested in joining the party, contact ***Evan Scarbrough*** at [eascarbro@gmail.com](mailto:eascarbro@gmail.com). Ideas for possible community service for the future are definitely welcome and will be considered!

Check out our website:  
[www.imamichigan.org/  
annarbor](http://www.imamichigan.org/annarbor)

The **CSCA**<sup>™</sup> (Certified in Strategy and Competitive Analysis) is a specialty credential designed specifically for CMAs\*, which complements and expands upon the strategic planning and analysis skills developed through the CMA<sup>®</sup> (Certified Management Accountants) certification.

This credential will help you master the concepts and techniques that are required to earn a seat at the leadership table and become a key player in driving the strategic planning process at your organization.

### **CMA Prep**

Cleary University will be offering **preparation classes** for the *Certified Management Accountant (CMA)*

Exam at its Livingston campus. See <http://www.cleary.edu/cma/> for more details.

### **News of Interest**

Contact me, Chris, at my email below if you have ideas for the newsletter. We always are interested in adding to the board of directors, too.

[christopherwozniak@  
outlook.com](mailto:christopherwozniak@outlook.com)

## ***The IMA Michigan Council:***

### **What We Do**

The Michigan Regional Council of IMA is one of 24 councils nationwide, consisting of 8 chapters (7 in Michigan and 1 in Northern Indiana, including Ann Arbor Chapter).

Our council provides leadership for and facilitates partnerships with our chapters by:

- Providing and supporting Statewide Continuing Education programs
- Offering a full-day of seminars at an Annual Fall Conference at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan
- Promoting local, regional and national continuing educational programs
- Conducting Chapter Leadership Training Programs for their volunteer boards of directors
- Holding quarterly Council meetings with delegates from each chapter
- Providing assistance and guidance to Chapters
- Representing regional chapters in the National IMA organization
- Encouraging the promotion of professional certification via IMA's Certification in Management Accountant (CMA)
- Supporting the creation of IMA Student Chapters
- Publicizing our programs through our website and newsletter



**Connect with us on LinkedIn:**

[www.linkedin.com/groups/ima-  
ann-arbor-chapter](http://www.linkedin.com/groups/ima-ann-arbor-chapter)

### ***September Meeting Speaker:***

***Thursday, September 21, 2018***

***Speaker: Doug Hicks, CPA***

***Topic: "Management Accounting's Most Dangerous Myths Part 1"***

***Speaker: Doug Hicks, CPA***

***Topic: "Management Accounting's Most Dangerous Myths Part 2"***



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# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual IMA Michigan 2018 Fall Conference

**Monday, October 29, 2018**  
**Kellogg Center-Michigan State  
University**  
**Meeting starts at 8:00 AM with  
Registration and Networking**  
**8 hours of CPE with 2 hours of Ethics  
Training**

### Conference Fees

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| Members by October 7.....     | \$ 150 |
| Members after October 7.....  | \$ 190 |
| Nonmembers by October 7.....  | \$ 190 |
| Nonmembers after October 7... | \$ 240 |
| Student .....                 | \$ 60  |

A \$5 Convenience Fee is added to all credit card payments

Price includes Parking, Continental Breakfast & Lunch

**Register by October 7 to receive the  
Early Bird Discount**

## Speakers

### John L Daly



John L. Daly is a Chelsea, Michigan-based management consultant specializing in costing, pricing strategy and pricing model development. He has taught continuing professional education courses since 1995 and began doing ethics seminars two weeks before the Enron scandal. John has been CFO for a Tier 1 automotive parts supplier and a large restaurant chain and COO for a window treatments manufacturer and retailing chain. He is the author of *Pricing for Profitability*, published by Wiley & Sons, Inc.

### Kristie Stocker



is an inspirational speaker, mentor, life coach, teacher, master encourager, team builder, leader, designer

Kristie offers thought-provoking perspectives on leadership, team harmony, time management and defining personal purpose. As CEO

and founder of Kinetik Edge, a coaching and training organization, she offers a unique message on how to bring harmony to one's personal and professional life.

With decades of positively influencing individuals and groups, Kristie has been described as genuine, funny and a master at energizing her audience. Her messages use relatable stories in a warm and conversational style to guide her listeners with game-changing information they can use right now. She is best known for using her positivity and strength as a visionary to transform people's thinking. Audience members will walk away enlightened with practical actions steps they can take. Most importantly, her listeners will have fun doing it!

Kristie has won countless national and regional awards in speaking, communication and design. She's passionately involved in leadership roles for non-profits like the American Lung Association, Toastmasters International and Hope for the Hungry. Kristie also founded the 3 Scoops of Inspiration movement and blog and lives to serve and motivate others to their greatest potential.

## Speakers

### Christopher Keslin



Chris's unique skillset empowers businesses that are navigating today's emerging and turbulent fourth industrial revolution. His research in experimental physics combined with deep technical and business training at Avanade, Microsoft, and

Accenture, as well as his first-hand experience as partner and owner of a multimillion dollar international consultancy, informs his unique perspective and ability to successfully bridge the gaps between business executives and technologists.

Chris's career highlights include:

- Designed and oversaw the implementation of the Audit Data Synchronization Platform for two of the Big Four accounting firms
- Expert Witness in a 14-month multimillion dollar lawsuit in Melbourne, Australia
- Delivered multiple three-day executive briefings to Fortune 50 C-Suite executives at Microsoft's EBC in Redmond, WA.
- Simultaneously managed multiple high-stakes, mission-critical multimillion dollar engagements
- Delivered AI solutions for predictive maintenance and forecasting across multiple industry verticals ranging from finance, manufacturing, retail, and hydraulic engineering.

Following a 20-year career of consulting and travel, Chris is now focused on educating and helping small-and medium-sized enterprises execute their own digital transformations. Residing in South Bend, IN, Chris is now committed to building a healthy and thriving environment for business technologists in local communities.

**For more information on this conference  
or to register, please visit our website  
[www.michigan.imanet.org](http://www.michigan.imanet.org)**

**or this link  
<https://www.123signup.com/event?id=hnbzk>**

## Speakers

### Mark P Hass



Mark Haas serves as Michigan State University's Vice President for Finance and Treasurer. He joined MSU in 2010 and has served as the Chief Financial Officer.

Haas has more than three decades of university, government, financial, and managerial experience, along with a broad and deep knowledge of all aspects of financial operations necessary to manage the multiple aspects of MSU's finances. At MSU, he has overseen staff responsibilities for treasury and banking functions, cash and debt management, investments, contract and grant administration, endowment administration, risk management and insurance, financial reporting, purchasing and logistics, licensing, and recycling. Mark previously worked in Michigan State government for 32 years serving four Governors. Haas last served as the State of Michigan's Chief Deputy Treasurer. In that role, he served as a principal adviser to the Governor and State Treasurer, overseeing 2,200 employees and an operating budget of \$1.9 billion, investments of \$63 billion, and a \$50 billion banking operation.

Work experience extends to currently serving on the boards of the MSU College of Law Foundation Board, University Club Board, and as Treasurer of the Michigan History Foundation.

Mark received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Master of Arts in Economics from Central Michigan University, attended graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and worked toward a Ph.D. in Economics at Michigan State University. Also, he attended the Harvard Kennedy School and the Yale School of Management for post graduate programs in public policy and investments, respectfully.

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*If you have any questions, please call or email our conference chair at 313-549-8729 or [chuck.phillips@imadetroit.org](mailto:chuck.phillips@imadetroit.org)*

## Speakers

### Christian Cuzick



Christian Cuzick, CMA is the Vice President of Finance at Johnson & Johnson Vision Surgical, in Santa Ana, Calif. He has been with Johnson & Johnson (J&J) for more than 13 years, holding positions of increasing responsibility both internationally and in the U.S.

Cuzick started his career at Johnson & Johnson in 2004 as a Business Analyst at LifeScan. In 2007, he was promoted to Finance Director in the Medical Device segment, relocating with his family to Zug, Switzerland. During his time in Switzerland, Cuzick held the position of Treasurer and President for the Swiss IMA Chapter. Cuzick repatriated to the U.S. in 2012 to take the role of Finance Director, Innovation within Medical Devices. In his most recent role, he served as the Senior Director, Janssen Canada, located in Toronto, Canada. Before joining Johnson & Johnson, Cuzick held various positions in Marketing at BASF and Sony. Christian Cuzick, CMA is Chair-Elect for the IMA's fiscal 2018-2019 period.

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## Speakers

### Jonathon W. Schumaker



Jonathon is a member of the Tax Department at UHY

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**  
Experience in corporate and flow-through entity federal, multi-state and local taxations  
Monitors client tax reporting

requirements, law changes, application and liabilities  
Experience with clients with multiple related entities and tiered partnerships  
Significant experience on clients with international reporting and foreign tax credits

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Licensed CPA in the state of Michigan

M.S. in Taxation, Walsh College

M.S. in Accounting, Western Michigan University

B.S. in Accounting, Western Michigan University

#### **ACTIVE & PRIOR PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

Member – Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants

Member – American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

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## Program Moderator



Douglas T. Hicks, CPA is President of D. T. Hicks & Co., a consulting organization concentrating on the decision costing needs of small and mid-sized organizations. Before establishing his firm in 1985, he accumulated over fifteen years of financial and management accounting

experience, twelve of those years in the industry. A graduate of the University of Michigan - Dearborn's School of Management, he is a member of the Michigan Association of CPAs and the Institute of Management Accountants. He is also a member and serves on the Executive Committee of the Society of Cost Management. In 1997, he was presented with the University of Michigan – Dearborn Alumni Association's Professional Growth and Scholarship Award in recognition of his work in the development of advanced cost measurement and management. Doug is a member of the Detroit Chapter IMA.

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