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Please contact [the chapter](#) if you have a job available or if you are looking for an employment opportunity.

July 2021

Dear Akron IMA,

Have a great summer. See you in the fall!

Please forward newsletter items to: [IMA Newsletter](#).

Thanks!
Kelly Heil

President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer in northeast Ohio.

The Board of Directors has been busy planning the upcoming year for the Chapter. After thoughtful discussion, it was decided we will ease into in-person meetings this year. We plan to have one in-person meeting in the fall and one in the spring. Please mark your calendars for Wednesday October 20, 2021 and Wednesday April 20, 2021. We are hoping for record turnouts for both evenings. Details on location and costs will be firmed up soon.

As in the past year, we will continue to offer a wide array of online CPE each month. At the time of this writing, almost all of our speakers for the entire year have been identified and locked in. A special thanks to Wendy Tietz, Karin Petruska, and Jeff Walters for putting the entire speaker series together. They have done a fabulous job!

I am looking forward to the coming year and especially to seeing all of our members on Wednesday, October 20, 2021. If you have comments, suggestions, or questions, please send them to me at pdorff@kent.edu.

Sincerely,

Peter Dorff

2021-2022 Akron IMA Chapter president

Welcome New Members

Please join me in welcoming the following new members:

DATE JOINED	NAME
06/07/2021	Sasha Overmyer
06/19/2021	Elioth Bernard
06/22/2021	Lucas Ilgenfritz

Congratulations to a New CMA

Congratulations to David Casalinova for earning his CMA Certification!

Poll about in-person event on Oct 20

Good news! We are tentatively planning to have an in-person event in the evening of Wednesday, October 20, most likely at the Hilton Garden Inn (1307 E. Market St., Akron.) We do not have the speakers confirmed yet, but we need to get an idea of how many members would attend this meeting for planning purposes.

If you could take this quick one-question survey ([link](#)) about the likelihood of you attending this in-person event, we would appreciate it. You are not committing to anything – we just need a rough idea of headcount for the event.

July 20th Webinar – “Find Your Path” from Cleveland East Chapter

Cleveland East is having a “Find Your Path” webinar on July 20, from 5 to 6 pm Eastern, featuring Bill Chorba from Cleveland Metroparks – he is the CFO and Treasurer. Register at [Home - Cleveland East Chapter \(imanet.org\)](#) and use the online URL to access the meeting.

Perfect Attendance Survey for 2020 - 2021 IMA Year

We had a lot of changes this year: going all remote, having multiple CPE and non-CPE sessions per month, and changing platforms mid-season. If you are going for perfect attendance in 2020-2021, can you respond to the survey with which sessions you attended? If you need help or have questions, please contact us at akron@imachapter.org.

Google form survey: <https://forms.gle/VVLrb5iYDXRYsT7n7>

Competition for 2020-2021 Year

The Global Board Member Relations Committee and Global Components Roundtable Volunteer Committee have made the decision to not hold competition programs this year as it would be unfair to many chapters and councils during this difficult time.

IMA Free Ethics Courses (from Friday Roundup email)

In line with IMA’s commitment to upholding the highest ethical standards, IMA members now have unlimited access to all IMA ethics courses for free.

Automatic Membership Renewal (from Friday Roundup email)

Check out the recent article in the Friday Roundup email on how to automatically renew your IMA membership to save 25%!

Common workplace conflicts and their solutions

Check out this article regarding common workplace conflicts and their solutions.

[Common workplace conflicts and their solutions | SmartBrief](#)

Gleim Partnership

The Akron IMA Chapter has partnered with Gleim to ensure your success on the CMA exam!

Almost 40 years ago, Gleim set the standard for CMA exam review. Today, as an industry leader and IMA Strategic Partner, we continue to dedicate ourselves to preparing candidates to pass quickly and confidently. The 2021 Gleim CMA Review includes thousands of the most realistic CMA exam questions, the most comprehensive coverage, dedicated and reliable support, and more. More CMAs have passed with Gleim—we have the experience to guide you to exam success! IMA chapter members, order now and save at least 30% on our Premium CMA Review System.

Place your order directly online by going to gleim.com/IMAAkron or contact Alexandra Graham at 800.874.5346 ext 428 or imachapters@gleim.com to learn about the significant discounts you are eligible for as an IMA Chapter member.

CMA Mentoring Program

The IMA Akron Chapter is proud to offer its members a mentoring program to assist CMA candidates with strategies to pass the CMA exam. The IMA Akron CMA Mentoring Program will encourage networking and provide career development opportunities designed to help CMA candidates (mentees) and other members (mentors) in our chapter to form valuable mentoring relationships. The success of this program will rely on volunteers to serve as mentors. Mentoring can take place online, by phone, or in person at Akron chapter events or other locations.

Mentees and mentors will be matched based on the needs of the mentee and the availability of the mentors. The ideal mentor for this CMA focused program would be an individual who has obtained the CMA certification and / or who has recently passed one or both parts of the newer two-part CMA exam structure. All individuals who are currently enrolled in the CMA program and studying for the CMA exam are encouraged to enroll as a mentee. In addition, individuals who are undecided about obtaining the CMA certification and would like additional information or guidance are encouraged to enroll.

The CMA Designation - The CMA (Certified Management Accountant) is the advanced professional certification specifically designated to measure the accounting and financial management skills that drive business performance. Achieving the CMA credential demonstrates your mastery of financial planning, analysis, control, and decision support, as well as professional ethics.

If you would like more information, please contact: Jeff Falter at akron@imachapter.org

Internet References

Dinner Reservations, Newsletter articles, Employment service, IMA insurance: akron@imachapter.org

Akron chapter website: akron.imanet.org

IMA Global website: www.imanet.org

Login: enter user name (your IMA account number)

Enter password (last name, unless you changed your password)

Ohio Council website: www.ohio.imanet.org

Access online recording of chapter meetings:

Contact the chapter board members at akron@imachapter.org