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Employment News

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

Dear Akron IMA,

Have a great summer!

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

Thanks!

Kelly Heil

President's Message

Hello fellow Akron chapter members. I hope you are all having a great summer and are looking forward to our chapter year kickoff in September as much as I am. Your board of directors is still working to figure out the new privacy rules instituted by the IMA but we will get there. In the meantime, have a great rest of the summer and I hope to see you in September.



Follow us on Twitter for announcements and information @AkronChapterIMA.

Joe Richards, CMA, CPA
President Akron Chapter IMA
2018/2019

Welcome New Members

Date Joined	Name	Employer	Sponsor
5-17-2018	Morgan McLaughlin	Student	

July 2018

Congratulations

At the June 19 Chapter and Council Awards Recognition Luncheon in Indianapolis, Akron chapter not only won the Remington Rand Trophy (2nd place Stevenson Division banner) for the second year in a row, but MORE:

- Bronze Medal for Public Relations Competition and the Bronze Medal for Newsletter Competition during the 2017-18 IMA Year.
- The chapter achieved “Outstanding” Level of Service.
- Chapter member Sue Mullen, CMA, CSCA, received our awards.

Program Book Update

IMA National has instituted a new Privacy Policy protocol (effective May 1, 2018) following the guidance of the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The new privacy rules will affect the roster section of the Annual Program Book. In last year’s Program Book, we published chapter member’s name, employer or occupation (e.g., “student”, ELM, consultant, etc.), an email address, and a phone number. Under the new protocol, we can no longer publish any personal contact information. If you would like us to list your employer or occupation, please send an email to Ken Bechtol (akron@imachapter.org) granting your explicit permission to publish your employer or occupation. If you don’t approve or don’t respond to this request for explicit permission to publish, we will assume you don’t give your permission; we will then list only your name in the Roster section of the book. Also, we will not be publishing a hard-cover book this year, only an online book that you can download.

Board of Directors Slate for 2018-2019

Attention Akron chapter IMA members: we are now looking for a few additional Board members for the next fiscal year (Board position marked “OPEN” below). Note that if you serve on the Board for five years, you will qualify for reduced dues as an ELM (Emeritus Life Member) when you retire. Serving as a chapter Board member is a volunteer position that doesn’t involve a huge time commitment. If interested in volunteering, please contact Linda Garrison at akron@imachapter.org. The following Board positions are still open:

- Chair Audit Committee – **OPEN**
- Director, Advertising – **OPEN**
- Director, Corporate & Academic Development – **OPEN**
- Director, Special Activities – **OPEN**
- Associate Director, Speakers – **OPEN**

CMA Mentoring Program

The Akron chapter IMA is proud to offer its members a mentoring program to assist CMA candidates with strategies to pass the CMA exam. The Akron IMA 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.

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.

The CMA credential is:

Focused - On the critical skills you use in business

Respected - Leading employers seek to hire and promote CMAs

Valued - CMAs on average, earn higher compensation than noncertified professionals

Convenient - CMA exams are offered electronically in hundreds of locations worldwide.

The accreditation process leading to the CMA designation can be a rigorous experience requiring great energy and effort. The CMA candidate will have questions regarding exam content, study materials, test taking strategies, and much more. Without somebody to guide and mentor them, the candidate may become discouraged and abandon the certification program. However, through the Akron IMA CMA Mentoring Program, candidates will be able to seek and obtain the support and guidance of fellow chapter members who have earned their CMA designation.

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.

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 National 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