



# The Roanoke Ledger

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## Roanoke Chapter

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## President's Message

Since the beginning of the AGA's 2006-2007 year, which began on May 1st, the Roanoke Chapter has increased its membership by an unprecedented nine members! Welcome to all of you who are new to the AGA this year and we look forward to your participation in future events.

A growing membership will enable the Chapter to offer more local events and I encourage all of the Chapter's members to take an active part in directing the future of the Chapter.

The Chapter co-hosted the Blue Ridge PDC in July in Charlottesville, VA. Over

10% of the Chapter's members attended the conference which was a huge success. In addition to offering excellent CPE, the conference also



raised over \$1,000 for the Children's Hospital at UVA.

The Roanoke Chapter has plans to offer several events in the near future that we hope you will not want to miss and welcome any input that you all may have regard-

ing suggestions for speakers, possible venues, subjects, etc.

The Chapter's new website is still under construction and we hope to have it on the web soon so that we can post upcoming events and Chapter news.

Please forward any comments or questions to me at [dcox@rfca.com](mailto:dcox@rfca.com).

Deanna L. Cox  
Chapter President

## Roanoke Chapter News

### August Conference

The Roanoke Chapter co-sponsored with the Government and Non-Profit Center (GNAC) of Radford University its second educational event of the 2006-2007 year on August 31st at the Higher Education Center in Roanoke. Sessions presented

included retirement planning, estate and trust planning and IRS compliance audits and taxable fringe benefits. Approximately twenty people attended the very informative event. Lunch by Heavenly Hams was provided.

We extend a special thank you to Dr. Bruce Chase and

the GNAC of Radford University who made it possible for us to use the fabulous facilities at the Higher Education Center.

Thank you also to all of the speakers who volunteered their time to be with us.

# Roanoke Chapter News (Continued)

## Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings are currently held in Wytheville every third Tuesday of each month. As member participation increases, the meeting locations and dates will be rotated in an effort to give all members a chance to attend and become involved in the Chapter.

The Roanoke Chapter will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, October 17th at 5:45pm at the Wytheville Community College. All members are encouraged to attend. Guests are always welcome.

## Committee Chairs

Membership - Brenda Flora and Frances Vaught co-chairs  
Education - Deanna Cox  
Comm. Service - Lisa Wensil  
Newsletter - Sarah Fink  
Webmaster - Cain Johnston  
CGFM - Linda Woody  
Historian - Frances Vaught

*Please welcome the following new members:*

*Linda Catron,  
SW Va Training Ctr.;  
Mary Beth Clement,  
Danville-Pittsylvania  
Comm. Serv.;  
Vince Copenhaver,  
County of Franklin;  
Cain Johnston, RFCA;  
Terri Morris, Floyd  
County;  
Nikki Shank, City of  
Galax  
Patty Flanagan,  
Alleghany Highlands  
CSB*

## Other AGA Information

### MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL NEWS

The Roanoke Chapter is part of the Mid-Atlantic Region. Visit the Mid-Atlantic website at [www.geocities.com/agamidatlantic](http://www.geocities.com/agamidatlantic) for up-to-date information on the Mid-Atlantic leadership.

### NATIONAL NEWS

For National news, please visit the AGA's website at [www.agacgfm.org](http://www.agacgfm.org).

### CPE OPPORTUNITIES

National Performance Management Conference, October 30-31, 2006 in Schaumburg, IL

Registration Info for the above is available at [www.agacgfm.org](http://www.agacgfm.org).

CPE hours may also be earned by taking a quiz online on each *Journal of Government Financial Management*. CPE certificates are printed immediately upon completion.

### MEMBER INFORMATION ONLINE

Update your personal information online. Just go to [www.agacgfm.org](http://www.agacgfm.org) to the "Member Information" Section.

Renew your membership for 2006-2007 by logging onto the AGA website under Member Services.

To join the AGA, obtain an application on the above website.



### CGFM INFORMATION

All members are encouraged to become CGFM's. Information about how you can become a CGFM is on the AGA's website.

The Roanoke Chapter has purchased study guides that may be checked out by Chapter members for use in studying for the CGFM exam.

# Meet Your Officers

**Deanna Cox, CPA**, President of the Roanoke Chapter is a partner with Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates (RFCA) in their Christiansburg office. Deanna graduated from Randolph-Macon Woman's College. She has been with RFCA since 1987 and has spent the last 19 years assisting with and managing local government audits. She lives in Blacksburg, VA with her husband, Hal Brown and son Eli.

**Teresa Tolbert**, Secretary of the Roanoke Chapter has worked for Bland County for the past twelve years and has spent six of those twelve serving as the County's finance manager. She has her AAS from Wytheville Community College and her BBA from Radford University. She has been an AGA member since July of 2003 and has served as the Roanoke Chapter's secretary since May of 2004.

**Lisa Wensil**, Treasurer of the Roanoke Chapter works at the Southwest Virginia Training Center where she has worked for the last 3 1/2 years. She was previously employed as an officer manager for a travel plaza and an accountant for Wytheville Community College's Education and Scholarship Foundations. At home, she spends time with her husband Sam and her Yorkie, Dusty. Before embarking on the quest for her CGFM, she was an avid reader.

**Brenda Flora CPA**, President-Elect 2008-2009 for the Chapter is originally from Gate City, Virginia. She graduated from Radford University. Prior to taking the position of Tax Manager with Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates in Christiansburg, Virginia, Brenda was in private practice for 18 years. She has served as an adjunct instructor at New River Community College where she taught principles of accounting and payroll accounting. Brenda currently resides in Pulaski, VA. She loves to read and spoil her grandsons, Jarrod and Will.