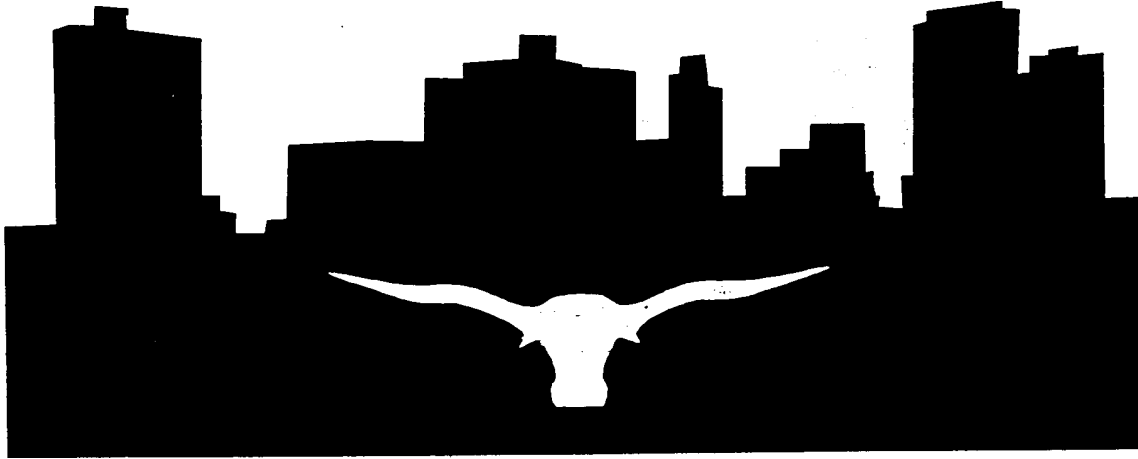


# THE COWTOWNER



Fort Worth Chapter

Association of Government Accountants

## APRIL 2001 CHAPTER MEETING

**Date/Time:** April 24, 2001

**Location:** Water Street Seafood Company  
1540 South University  
Fort Worth, TX 76107

**Directions:** Three blocks south of I-30 on University Drive in the University Park Shopping Center. Our meeting room is on the left of the main entrance.

**Price:** Members \$12 Lunch / Non-Members \$15 Lunch

**Program:** Ethics Practices in U.S. Corporations

**Our speaker:** ***Joe Booth, Director of Business Ethics***  
Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Fort Worth



**16,154 Points for**

**April!**

AGA  
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2000-2001 CEC MEMBERS

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## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's springtime in Texas and several things are inevitable: wildflowers, taxes, hailstorms, Mayfest, the junkyard golf tournament, the AGA Picnic, and the last Fort Worth Chapter Meeting for FY 2000-2001.

So smell the flowers, pay your taxes, avoid the



storms, and join us for the rest of the events!

Thanks again to Loretta Burns; Senior Auditor with the HUD-OIG for giving us a great presentation on "White Collar Crime" at the March meeting.

As I approach the end of my tenure as your President, I would like to thank all of you for supporting the efforts of your chapter. Also, a special word of thanks to the CEC members who gave of their time and resources to help us earn the 16,000 points we have accumulated to date.

**Have a great spring! I hope to see all of you at our last meeting on April 24, 2001. Also, if you not a golfer join us for some super B-B-Q at the Longhorn Pavilion on Lake Benbrook.**

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### Community Service Report

Two AGA members worked at Race for the Cure Headquarters passing out team packets. Two other members sponsored a runner.

Nine wireless phones were collected and mailed to Motorola to assist in the Call to Protect program for victims of domestic abuse.

Paula Graf and Leonore Hicks represented the Ft. Worth AGA at the Twist & Shout celebration, honoring organizations that gave assistance after the tornado that hit our area last March. Your generous donation at that time prompted our receiving an invitation to the celebration.

Next month's Community Service project is MAYFEST. This is probably the most fun project of the year! Let's have a big turnout! Call Leonore Hicks at 817-978-9655 if you would like to work. Mayfest 2001 is May 3rd through May 6th.

### March 2001 CEC Meeting

The Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) met at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2001 at the HUD offices in the Federal Building. Attendees were: Richard Wilkes, Watt Sammons, Theresa Carroll, Paul O'Connor, and Paula Graf.

Richard Wilkes, Chapter President, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the CEC meeting. He passed out nine suggested logos for our newsletter. Those present selected four (4) for the final choice of all CEC members before our March Chapter meeting. Richard will send them to all CEC members for a vote before our monthly meeting on March 27, 2001. Thanks go to Watt Sammons, Theresa Carroll, and Bob Kanaga for submitting their designs. Good luck to Bob and Theresa, who are the finalist! Next, Richard submitted three names of people who applied for the AGA Scholarship Awards. They are Janet A. Lane, Lisa Lara, and Ken C Chuka-Obah. The winners will be announced at the March Chapter Meeting. Next, Richard suggested adding two more awards to our Chapter Award list. After discussion by the CEC, it was determined that he didn't need to add the two additional awards.

Paula Graf, Newsletter, requested all items for the next newsletter be submitted by April 6, 2001. She needs members in the news, Presidents letter, CEC minutes, and Meeting minutes.

Leonore Hicks, Community Service is still collecting used or broken cell phones to be redistributed to assist battered women in protecting themselves. It is our March Community Service. For April, we are helping at the "Race For The Cure". Paula and Leonore are volunteering to work for an evening. Paul O'Connor and Bob Kanaga have each donated \$40 to the Komen Charity as "Ko-Men for the Cure". Leonore announced that our AGA Fort Worth Chapter was invited to attend Fort Worth Mayor Barr's Tornado Party "Twist and Shout" to be held at the Petroleum Club on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$50 per person. Paula and Leonore are planning to attend. Have fun, ladies!! We will be working at one of the Mayfest booths again this year. If you want to volunteer, let Leonore know

Paul O'Connor, for Bob Kanaga, Programs, informed us that Mr. Joe Booth of LM Aero-Fort Worth will be our April Speaker. His topic will be Corporate Ethics. Paul reminded everyone that Loretta Burns, HUD-OIG, is our speaker for our March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Paul then announced that our "Junkyard Dog" golf tournament is scheduled for Friday, May 11, 2001, with our Chapter Picnic to follow. Golf will be at the Pecan Valley Golf Course in Benbrook, TX. Our Chapter Picnic will be at the Engineering Pavilion on top of the hill overlooking Lake Benbrook. Paul

provided everyone a handout/application from Bob Kanaga on the Junkyard Dog Golf Tournament.

Our next CEC meeting will be Monday, April 23, 2001 at 4:30 in the Federal building. We concluded our meeting at 5:25 p.m.

**Paul O'Connor**  
**Chapter Secretary**

### **MARCH 2001 CHAPTER MEETING**

Our March AGA Chapter Meeting was held at the Water Street Seafood Restaurant on University Drive, Fort Worth, Texas from 11:30 a.m. to 12:55 p.m. on Tuesday March 27, 2001. We had a total of 28 members and guests present.

Our president Richard Wilkes opened the meeting by welcoming us to the luncheon, and introducing our Speaker Ms. Loretta Burns, from HUD – OIG. Her topic was “White Collar Crime, An Overview with a Focus on Mortgage Fraud”.

Middle/Upper-class white males’ aged 60 are the most likely to commit white-collar crime. White-collar crime includes embezzlement, price fixing, antitrust violations, and income tax fraud. The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) has specialized teams of agents reviewing only white collar/non-violent crimes. Ms. Burns stated that FRAUD is limited only by man’s imagination

The major contributing factors to white collar crimes include:

- weak policies
- weak internal controls
- lack of enforcement of policies.

HUD – OIG Audit is part of the Housing Fraud Initiative, along with the HUD – OIG Investigations, FBI and Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) are also part of this initiative. She provided many examples of the more common misrepresentations including: loan applications, credit history, appraisals, and evaluations, etc. Eighty percent of the fraud is from someone in the housing industry. Loretta concluded by reminding auditors to “FOLLOW THE DOLLARS” in their audit work.

Richard Wilkes, Chapter President, thanked Loretta Burns for speaking to us and presented her with a gift of U. S. Commemorative Quarters.

Bob Kanaga, Chapter Programs, presented several handouts. The first was the nomination list for the 2001-2002 Chapter Executive Committee (CEC). He also provided an updated Meetings and Activity Planner for the remainder of this Chapter Year. Finally, he provided handouts on our Junkyard Golf Tournament and Chapter Picnic.

Leonore Hicks, Chapter Community Service, announced the end of the cell phone collection effort for our March community service project. She said our April project is to volunteer or make donations to support the Susan Komen

“Race for the Cure”. Leonore announced that our May project is to work at Mayfest. She also, announced that our AGA Fort Worth Chapter was invited to attend Mayor Barrs’ “Twist and Shout” party on April 5, 2001 to commemorate the Tornado that hit our community on March 28, 2000. The cost is \$50/person. If you’re interested in volunteering for any of these projects, please call Leonore at (817) 978-9655.

This month’s winner was Ms. Patti Shosid. Congratulations Patti, next month’s lunch is on us!!

Richard Wilkes announced that our Newsletter LOGO winner is our Treasurer Ms. Theresa Carroll. Congratulations Theresa, spend the \$25 wisely!

Richard Wilkes announced the winners of our two Scholarship awards. A drawing was held to eliminate one applicant. The winners are Janet Lane, City of Fort Worth and Ken C. Chuka-Obah, Student. Each of them won a \$250 Scholarship. Congratulations to you both!

Richard Wilkes opened discussion on the nominees for next year’s Chapter Officers. Nominations were closed and a motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept those nominated as our new Chapter officers starting in May 2001. Your new 2001-2002 Chapter Officers are:

**President – Paul O'Connor, DCAA**  
**Pres-Elect – Watt Sammons, HUD**  
**Secretary – Shad Sanders, DCAA**  
**Treasurer – Glen Meyer, GSA**  
**Programs - Bob Kanaga, DCAA**  
**Newsletter – Theresa Carroll, HUD**  
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**Comm. Srvs – Leonore Hicks, HUD**  
**Membership – Betty Leonard, DCAA**  
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**Historian – Rick Benton, SBA**  
**Early Careers – Richard Wilkes, GSA**  
**Webmaster – Debbie Currie, EPA**  
**Imd Past Pres – Richard Wilkes, GSA**  
**Regional V. P. – Jim Turkett, GAO.**

Congratulations to all CEC members both new and old. You are greatly appreciated by AGA members for giving of yourselves and your time. Thank you all!! We concluded our meeting at 12:55 P. M.

Paul O'Connor  
**Chapter Secretary**

**19th JUNKYARD DOG GOLF  
TOURNAMENT  
FOUR PERSON  
SCRAMBLE**

**WHERE: Pecan Valley Golf Course  
– Hill Course 18 holes**

**Benbrook, TX**

**WHEN: Friday, May 11, 2001  
TIME: Tee Times will start at 11:30 A.M.**

**TROPHIES: JUNK YARD DOG  
AWARD: Best Team**

**DUFFER AWARD: Team with  
Highest Score**

**PRIZES: Long Drive Contest**

**Closest to Pin Contest  
Cost \$40.00 (Includes Golf, Cart (2  
players per cart) & BBQ Picnic  
ENTRY DEADLINE: APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>. Mail  
entry form & money to:**

**George Taylor  
Office # 817-222-5882**

**1121 Wales Drive**

**Home # 817-431-0419  
Keller, Texas 76428**

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<b><u>2001 JYD Golf Tournament Entry Form</u></b>	
Agency _____	
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If more than one team per agency, designate as Team A, B, etc.)	
<b>Team Members</b>	
<b>Employees?</b>	
<b><u>Yes</u></b>	<b><u>No</u></b>
_____	_____, Captain
(Phone Number _____) _____	
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<b>Attach Checks Payable to George Taylor DUE BY APRIL 30th</b>	

<b>Annual May Chapter Picnic</b>
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Our Annual May Picnic will be held at the Engineer Pavilion overlooking Lake Benbrook. We get started after the finish of the Junkyard Dog Golf Tournament, about 4:30 p.m., Friday May 11, 2001. Bring your family, eat, and then enjoy time exploring the Lake Benbrook. A very fine BBQ dinner will be served by Smokey's BBQ. Cost is \$10 per person: Payable at the picnic. If you need directions, call Bob Kanaga at (817) 763-4630 for a map.

<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>	
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**April 23, 2001**

CEC meeting at 4:30 pm HUD OIG offices

**April 24, 2001**

Luncheon meeting/Joe Booth, Director of  
Business Ethics Lockheed Martin  
Topic: Ethics Practice in US Corporations

**May 11, 2001**

Chapter picnic and Junk Yard Dog Golf  
Tournament

**July 3-7 2000**

National PDC/ San Francisco, California!

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***Don't forget to let Leonore Hicks know when you will work at Mayfest!***

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