

NEWSLETTER



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Central Ohio Chapter

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CHAPTER UPDATES

21st Annual Emerging Trends in Fraud Investigation & Prevention Conference - THANK YOU!

To all of Chapter members and conference attendees, thank you all again for your support and engagement! We hope all those who attended the conference this year found the sessions extra engaging and enlightening! We had over 1,000 anti-fraud professionals and broke our record yet again!

Member Challenge Coins: Did You Get Yours?

Many of you stopped by our table during the *Emerging Trends in Fraud Investigation & Prevention Conference* and picked up your challenge coin celebrating our chapter's 30 year anniversary! If you haven't, we hope to get one to you at an in-person event this fall!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The last few years have been a bit of a roller coaster for our chapter with the pandemic and its related impacts. We had a great year in 2019 that earned our chapter recognition from the ACFE as Chapter of the Year in 2020. We then had to make the tough decision to cancel our May 2020 conference after weighing a number of factors, quickly transitioned to virtual events for the first time, hosted our first hybrid in person and virtual event in September 2021, and then hosted our first hybrid conference in May 2022 - enabling us to reach over 1,000 anti-fraud professionals for the first time.

As my time to transition our great chapter's President role after four years comes at the end of June, I would like to express my appreciation for Andria Coppel stepping up to lead our chapter, the rest of our members, board, partners, and volunteers and for the honor and privilege it has been to serve our chapter in this role and previously as Treasurer. I look forward to continuing to volunteer, celebrating our chapter's 30 year mark later this year, and seeing where the next 30 years take us!

21-22 CHAPTER BOARD

President: James Rumph, Nationwide Insurance

Vice President: Yufei Mao, Bath & Body Works

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Danny Case, AEP

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Andria Coppel, Huntington National Bank

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President Emeritus: Melissa Smart, Huntington National Bank

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 14, 2022 Chapter Event:

NFTs - From Fundamentals to Future. An Overview in NFTs & the Associated Fraud/AML Risks, 1-2 PM EDT (1 CPE); Free for students and Central Ohio ACFE Chapter members, \$30 for non-members - Sign up here.

STAY TUNED FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF OUR SEPTEMBER TRAINING EVENT!

THANK YOU TO SPONSORS FOR OUR UPCOMING EMERGING TRENDS CONFERENCE!

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Members: Also, join our LinkedIn group: [linkedin.com/groups/90120](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/90120)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Chapter Members

April '22

- Shannon Blackmer
- Kristie Bond
- Sara Causey
- Tara Downard
- Anthony Litwiller
- Victoria Long
- Tanya Long
- Kennedy O'Hara-Gilbert
- Tia Serrano
- Xavier Shellman
- Steven Torrieri
- Tracy Tunnell

May '22

- Christopher Ballard

New CFEs

April '22

- Melissa Carlin
- Barbara Bruce

May '22

- Spencer Hruby
- Adam Molter

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Leslie A Jordan, CFE

Ohio Resident Agent

USDA AMS FTTP, Packers and Stockyards Division



Q. How long have you been a CFE/member of the Central Ohio ACFE Chapter and what do you find most beneficial about your membership?

A. I became a CFE in May of 2019 and joined the Central Ohio ACFE Chapter later that summer. I was only able to attend one in-person chapter event prior to the pandemic, but the virtual training the chapter has provided since then has been excellent. I am looking forward to in person events and networking in the future.

Q. Tell us about your current role, how long you have been in that role and what you like most about what you do.

A. For the past 15 years, I have served as the Ohio Resident Agent for the United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fair Trade Practices Program, Packers and Stockyards Division. We regulate livestock markets, dealers, packing plants, swine contractors and poultry contractors helping to ensure fair and competitive livestock markets. I travel throughout Ohio conducting compliance reviews and investigations in the enforcement of the Packers and Stockyards Act. I enjoy the challenges presented in investigating different situations, and the trust my supervisors have in my ability to work independently with limited day-to-day direction.

Q. Looking about at your success and challenges throughout your career what is the best piece of advice you would like to share with others?

A. Always assume that the investigation you are working on will end up at a hearing. Document transactions thoroughly, ask open ended questions, and take good notes to support your investigation. When I submit an investigative report for further action, it could be another year before the Office of General Counsel is ready to take that action. It is important I have thorough notes to help me remember what happened during the investigation. No matter how good you think your memory is, you will forget some details. Good notes help you to remember.

Q. What accomplishment are you most proud of?

A. I grew up raising and showing livestock in 4-H and FFA. My husband and I are both employed in agriculture, and we also have a small farm where we raise sheep, cattle, corn, soybeans and hay. Agriculture is a big part of who we are, and it is very important to us that our children have a deep understanding of and appreciation for where their food comes from, a strong work ethic, and that they value life. All three of our children work on our farm and show livestock throughout the Midwest. They have made friends they never would have otherwise. They celebrate when baby lambs are born and mourn when we lose one. Raising three kids who love God and have the tools to become productive members of society is my biggest accomplishment.

Q. What do you do for fun?

A. When I am not busy taking care of livestock or preparing for a stock show, I enjoy gardening, canning, cooking, and riding horses with my dad and daughter.

Q. What is a fun fact about you?

A. From 2013-2019, my sister and I organized Farm to Family, a program through Marion County Farm Bureau where we taught families to prepare affordable and nutritious meals. Events were conducted at food pantries, churches, outreach ministries, and Marion Harding High School. We wrote a cookbook to use with the program, and families received ingredients to prepare a meal at home.

Are you interested in being our next featured member? Email [Melissa Butsko at Butskomel@outlook.com](mailto:MelissaButsko@outlook.com) for more information!