Officers’ Farewell Message

All of the outgoing IMASC officers would like to thank all the IMASC members and Faculty Advisors for the amazing and successful year for the IMASC/Accounting Club! We are thankful for all the wonderful opportunities provided to us by Athens State University and the Accounting Club. We wish the club the best in the coming semesters!

Latasha Davis
President
At our February 15th educational meeting, Trent Poff, CPA, CGMA, CRFC, MBA, a former Athens State accounting student, spoke to us about his experience as a management accountant and how he became the CFO of Ignite, Inc. Mr. Poff started as a filer and accounts payable clerk, and then senior accountant. He talked about his responsibilities as a CFO such as making sure the entity is compliant and is healthy in a budgetary way. Mr. Poff encouraged us throughout the meeting to obtain certifications.

On February 13th, the Accounting Club participated in the Mardi Gras Festival in downtown Athens, hosted by the Athens State Art Club. We decorated a shopping cart with posters that said, “It Takes Cents to Make a Dollar,” and we collected canned beans that were given to the needy.

On February 27th, Latasha, Cowanna, Maria, Robert, and Rachel, along with Professor Corzine and Dr. Hammon, went to Calhoun Community College to speak to the accounting classes about the IMA, Accounting Club, and Athens State. They spoke to two classes about Athens State and why they chose to attend Athens State over other universities in the area. They spoke on subjects of internships, scholarships, and the opportunities that the Accounting Club and university have provided them. The student officers answered questions with each class and were excited to see that students were interested in the Accounting Club and Athens State. At least two students applied for admission as a direct result of our recruiting visit.
On March 29th, Dr. Mark Lawrence from the University of North Alabama spoke to our club about the CMA Exam. We learned about the requirements to sit for the exam, what is covered on each section of the exam, and about the advantages of becoming CMA-certified! Students can take the exam before graduating, and the earnings potential is higher than an accountant without the CMA!

The CMA is worth it!

Carole Chamberlain spoke to us on March 1st on the topic of ETHICS. She spoke from her own personal experience with ethics and how to solve ethical issues. She shared stories from her time as a legal secretary, as well as from her time as a flight attendant. She gave three primary theories of ethics: virtue, utilitarianism, and universal. It is important to have situational awareness.
Mission Statement
To create a vibrant organizational community for students that will provide them with the necessary tools to compete effectively in the professional business community through programs that create education and networking opportunities, community and university involvement, and build a framework of highly ethical behavior.

Vision Statement
Perpetuate the IMA-gold standards of excellence for a world-class organization at both a national and local level.

Congratulations to our members with new jobs!

Robert Smith
Nucor Corporation
Accounts Payable Clerk/Intern

Mandy Logan
gkhouses
Remote Accountant

Want to Join the Athens State Accounting Club?
Three Easy Steps:
1) Be a student at Athens State enrolled in at least 6 hours
2) Be a student member of the Institute of Management Accountants (www.imanet.org)
3) Email your IMA member number to Professor Emily Corzine

Upcoming Events:
March 29th - Educational Meeting CMA and UNA MBA Program
March 31st - Deadline for Officer Nominations
April 1st - 7th — Officer Elections through Blackboard
April 10th - Board Meeting with Current and Newly-elected officers
April 11th - Women’s Leadership Symposium at Dynetics
April 17th - Accounting Awards Luncheon
April 18th-20th - IMA GulfSouth Council Seminar in Atlanta
May 5th - Spring Graduation
May 5th - Belk Charity Sale Fundraiser

Learn about the IMA Accounting Honor Society at http://www.imanet.org/

Feel welcome to contact any of our advisors or officers with any questions!
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