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ABOUT OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

October 22, 2015
"Consumer Protection (and Internet Safety—using IT wisely)"
Jefferson Building, DESE 1st Floor Conference Room
CPE: 1 hour

November 16, 2015
Chapter Meeting-**TBD**
TBD
Governor's Office Building
CPE: 1 hour

December 4, 2015
7:30 AM-4:30 PM
" Annual Membership Seminar"
Governor's Office Building
CPE: 8 hours

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NATIONAL PDT AWARDS WINNER



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Mid-MO AGA was recognized as a Platinum Chapter at the National PDT in July 2015 and also was awarded 1st Place in Chapter Website competition.

Giving Back to the Community

September-November Chapter meetings & audios/webinars - collecting items such as hats, coats, gloves, etc. for the Jefferson City Samaritan Center

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Our Mission is…

To serve government accountability professionals by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance government accountability.

Our Purpose is…

- **To be a professional organization dedicated to the advancement of government financial management**
- **Serve members by providing or sponsoring appropriate educational programs, encouraging professional development, influencing government financial management policies and practices and serving as an advocate for the profession**
- **Serve government officials and the public by sponsoring efforts to ensure full and fair accountability for all public monies and by providing a variety of pro bono services throughout the United States and its territories that support that end.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Robin Burkhart

As summer comes to an end for another year, I embark down a journey of what that means for the Mid-MO AGA Chapter. The Chapter Board is busily planning another year of educational events including chapter meetings and webinars, Membership Seminar, Past Presidents' breakfast, and more. Unfortunately this year, I see a few doing the work of many. The Chapter Board has several positions unfilled this year. What does this mean to you as a member? The Chapter Board as it is today cannot begin to offer all of the educational, community sponsored, CGFM encouragement events we have in the past without the help of you volunteering to serve on the Board. The board consists of:

President – Robin Burkhart
Treasurer – Angela Schaben
Secretary – Carol Blecha
Membership Director – Felicia Hubble
Communications Co-Directors – Britni Hillen & Chelsea Siebeneck
Past President – Ami Patel
President-Elect – VACANT
Education Director – VACANT
CGFM Director – VACANT
Community Service Director – VACANT

Yes, we have four (4) positions that are vacant this year. It is not too late to volunteer to serve on the Mid-MO AGA Board. Are you aware what these vacant positions do for you as a member? Below is a brief description of each vacant position. More information about each position is located on the Mid-MO AGA website www.midmoaga.org under Chapter Info/Policies & Procedures.

President-Elect

Plans Professional Development Training offered in the summer.
Prepares and submits quarterly progress reports to National AGA as to the happenings with the Chapter concerning educational events, leadership, accountability, membership and communication with members.

Education Director

Serve as chair of the Education Committee
Ensures that quality educational events including chapter meetings and webinars are planned
Serve as chair of the Membership Seminar Committee

CGFM Director

Provides assistance to members who are interesting in and/or studying for the CGFM (Certified Governmental Financial Manager certification)

Community Service Director

Serve as chair of the Community Service Committee
Plans community service events such as collections at meetings for various community organizations; conduct 50/50 raffle at PDT and Membership Seminar raising funds for a community organization
Requesting matching funds for any fundraisers from National AGA
Serve as chair of the Scholarship Committee

All positions on the board are vital to insure that we continue to serve our members well. Please contact me and volunteer today. The Mid-MO AGA Board meets once a month over the lunch hour (lunch is provided) to conduct business and discuss how we can better serve the Mid-MO AGA members.

Look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at a future event. Please email me at president@midmoaga.org or via phone (573) 751-8291 and volunteer to serve on the Board, with ideas for a future educational event, and/or how we can best serve the needs of the Mid-MO AGA Chapter members.

National & Regional AGA News

2015-2016
National AGA Officers

President
John Edward Homan, MBA, CGFM, CPA, CGMA
Senior Manager
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Treasurer
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ADVANCING GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

Vision

AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability.

Mission

AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability.

AGA Core Values

Service, Accountability, Integrity, Leadership

CGFM

Other Midwestern Chapters Information

- Lincoln, Nebraska Chapter—September 23, 2015—Fall PDT 8:00-4:30 PM (www.lincolnneaga.org)
- Ozark AGA Chapter—October 22, 2015—8 hour Fall Seminar (http://ozarksaga.org)

AGA's 11th Annual National Leadership Conference! February 23-24, 2016

Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004
Phone: 202.312.1300
Located within five minutes walk from the JW Marriott Hotel.

The conference offers 14 hours of CPE training to help you solve real internal control problems and eliminate fraud, waste and abuse.

Who Should Attend:
- Senior-Level Managers and Executives
- CEOs and Presidents
- Auditors
- CPAs, Accountants, CGFMs

Register at http://www.agacgfm.org/NLC2016/Conference-Home.aspx

Mark the Date!!

Mid-MO AGA
Annual Membership Seminar
December 4th, 2015
Governor's Office Building—Jefferson City MO

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Ozarks Chapter of AGA

2015 Fall Professional Development Training

Date: **Thursday, October 22nd, 2015**
Location: 425 Downtown
425 W Walnut, Springfield, MO
Time: 7:30-8:00 registration and continental breakfast
Conference: 8:00-4:30 lunch included

Seminar Agenda (8 hours of CPE):

MO LAGERS and MOSERS update, We will hear from the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System on their investment management plans and the essentials of defined benefits. We will also hear an update from the Missouri State Employees Retirement System on the impact of recent GASB pronouncements 67 and 68. Presented by Michelle Nix, CFO, MOSERS and Jeff Kempker, Manager of Member Services, MO LAGERS

The Art and Science of Multi-Year Financial Projections, This hour will provide you with qualitative and quantitative considerations to help create, discuss, and communicate a multi-year financial plan. Presented by Maria Altomare - Managing Director and Seth Williams - Senior Managing Consultant at Public Financial Management; PFM Asset Management LLC

Function of the Federal Reserve, We will hear an overview of how the Federal Reserve operates, presented by Allen North – Vice President, Banking Supervision and Regulations, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Preparing for a financial audit, Tip and tricks to be prepared for your next financial audit, presented by Matt Cash – Audit Senior Manager, BKD CPA's and Advisors

Cybersecurity: How to stay safe online, We will focus on some of the current trends and attacks that cyber criminals are using to steal data and what steps can be taken to keep your information secure when online, presented by Dr. Shannon McMurtrey – Cybersecurity Graduate Program, Senior Instructor, Missouri State University

Missouri Revenue Growth; Insufficient for Current Budget, We will hear from the Missouri Budget Project on what is hindering Missouri's revenue growth, presenter to be determined

Dealing with Difficult People, We will dive into a topic that affects us all at one time or another. The focus will be on interpersonal communication and conflict resolution, presented by Dr. Melissa Maier, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication, Missouri State University

Community Service Project We will be kicking off our Relay for Life campaign. We will be accepting donations towards our goal and any volunteers to join the team!



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National & Regional AGA News

Fall Half-Day Continuing Education Training Seminar

November 3, 2015

Omaha Association of Government Accountants Half Day Continuing Education Training Seminar

Topics include:

- *Cyber Security in a Global Economy*, – Matt Morton, Chief Information Security Officer, UNO
- *Priority-Based Budgeting*, – Carol Ebdon, Professor, School of Public Administration, UNO
- *Innovation, Technology, and Ethics* – Vasant Raval, Professor, Creighton University Department of Accounting

Location: Mammel Hall Room 117, UNO

Time: 12:30 – 4:30

Registration cost before November 2:

AGA members $65.00

Other professional member organizations: $75.00

After November 2: All $80.00

Pay online at www.omahaaga.org (click Events for the calendar)

or RSVP: Russ Freitag at rfreitag@esu3.org

4 hours of CPE wILL BE APPLIED FOR (one hour ethics)!



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Maintaining CGFM Certification

To retain the CGFM certification, all CGFMs must adhere to the AGA's Code of Ethics. In addition, to continue using the CGFM designation after their name, CGFMs must be in active status. To maintain the CGFM certification in an active status, CGFMs are required to:

- Pay the CGFM renewal fee by the due date every year.
- Complete at least 80 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) every two years in government financial management topics or related technical subjects (within the designated two-year cycle).
- Maintain and, if requested by AGA, provide detailed information on CPE hours completed.

Below is an outline of detailed CPE requirements for maintaining the CGFM certification. For more information on all of the requirements to maintain the CGFM certification, please visit:

https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/Maintaining-Certification.aspx

Outline of CPE Requirements:

- Section 1: Introduction
- Section 2: Requirements to Maintain the CGFM Certification
- Section 3: Exemptions
- Section 4: Exceptions
- Section 5: CPE Carry-Over
- Section 6: Deficiency Makeup
- Section 7: Relationship Between CGFM and Other CPE Requirements
- Section 8: CPE Programs
- Section 9: Criteria for CPE Programs
- Section 10: CPE Programs and Activities That Qualify
- Section 11: CPE Topics and Subjects That Qualify
- Section 12: Examples of Topics and Subjects
- Section 13: Programs and Activities or Topics and Subjects That Do Not Qualify
- Section 14: Measuring CPE Hours - As An Attendee
- Section 15: Measuring CPE Hours - As a Speaker or Author
- Section 16: Maintaining CPE Documentation
- Section 17: Reservations and Appeals

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CGFM Preparation

The Intensive Review Course (IRC) will be held in Alexandria, VA, November 2-3, 2015. The class will run 8 AM to 5 PM both days. The cost of the course is only $375 for qualified participants and offers up to 18 CPE hours. The CGFM Examinations are offered at no additional cost to course attendees—a $375 savings! Go to http://agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/CGFM-Intensive-Review-Course—-Exam.

For further information on CGFM certification, please feel free to contact Robin Burkhart via email president@midmoaga.org or phone (573) 751-8291.

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New CGFM application pricing for AGA members

Now is the time to get certified as a Certified Government Financial Manager. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

Hurry in and sign up for the CGFM exams! Members now get a discount on the CGFM application fee—at $70, it represents a $29 savings from the non-member rate.

Important Tips for CGFM Candidates

- Review the CGFM examinations content outlines, which list the main and subtopics covered in each examination. This should be the focal point of your preparation. It is the core document used as the basis for each examination and a guideline for writing examination questions.
- Understand there is no "one-size-fits-all" approach to studying for the CGFM Examinations. While AGA courses and study guides provide an excellent foundation in studying for the GFM Examinations, and many candidates find them to be sufficient in their preparation, some individuals may need to go beyond the study guides and review additional materials.
- Review the CGFM Examinations sample questions. These questions are most similar, in both format and type, to the actual CGFM Examinations. Also make sure you are familiar with all the acronyms used on the exams.
- Use the score report as your guide. If you don't pass the CGFM Exam, you'll receive an instant report that shows your performance by content area. Use that to help you focus your study preparation.
- Request a CGFM mentor from AGA by emailing agacgfm@agacgfm.org

Mid-MO AGA News

Membership Report
By: Felicia Hubble

Mid-Mo AGA currently has 218 Active members with 8 new members recently. *Welcome to the following new members:*



Britni Hillen—DIFP
Jocelyn Oligschlaeger—DNR
Scott Walker—DNR
Chelsea Siebeneck—DA
Shay Younger—Library

If your field is government financial management—no matter your specialization or where you work—AGA membership is invaluable. AGA is the only association supporting more than 15,000 professionals working in federal, state and local governments as well as the private, nonprofit and academic sectors. AGA membership will give you the tools and support you need to make your mark on the profession.

AGA membership costs are the following:

- Full Government Member—$100/year
- Private Sector Member—$160/year
- Early Career Member—$45/year (Fewer than three years professional experience)
- Student Membership—$30/year (Full time college/university students not gainfully employed)
- Retired Member—$35/year

Contact Felicia Hubble at (573) 751-4351 or Felicia.hubble@oa.mo.gov for more information pertaining to AGA membership. Attend the Mid-MO AGA Membership Seminar on December 4th and your 2015 dues are paid by Mid-MO AGA (savings for you).

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Reminder—update contact information

AGA National—https://www.agacgfm.org
Mid-MO AGA—send e-mail to communications@midmoaga.org

Early Careers—

If you know someone who has just entered the Governmental Accounting career field, please send their name & contact info to education@midmoaga.org

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Education

Topic: Consumer Protection (and Internet Safety—using IT wisely)
Presenter: Tom Durkin, Attorney's General Office
Date: October 22, 2015
Times: 11:30 AM—1:00 PM
CPEs:1 credit hour
Location: Jefferson Building, DESE 1st Floor Conference Room
Cost:
$10-Members
$20-Non Members
Lunch will be served

Topic: TBD
Presenter: TBD
Date: November 16, 2015
Times: 11:30 AM—1:00 PM
CPEs:1 credit hour
Location: Governor's Office Building, Room 470
Lunch will be served

Topic: Membership Seminar
Date: December 4, 2015
Times: 7:30 AM—4:30 PM
CPEs:8 credit hours
Location: Governor's Office Building
Lunch will be served

Join us for a full day packed with professional training at a reasonable cost. As a bonus your membership dues for the 2016 year will be paid. More information to come. Hope to see you at the Membership Development Training!

Association of Government Accountants Mid-Mo Chapter Executive Committee July 29, 2015 Meeting Highlights
by Carol Blecha

Meeting Minutes:

In attendance: Robin Burkhart, Ami Patel, Felicia Hubble, Britni Hillen, Jocelyn Oligschlaeger, and Carol Blecha

President:

- The 40th Midwest Regional Professional Development Training (PDT) is next week and we are still looking for a speaker. Most other items are ready. Currently we have 58 registered for the PDT.
- Robin distributed a sample of the Chapter Recognition Program (CRP). It was stated that CEC members would be entering items from their respective areas and the first quarter report is due on September 30, 2015.

Secretary Report:

- No additional report.

Treasurer's Report:

- Robin presented the Chapter Year 2015-2016 Budget for review. Some adjustments will be made and then the revised budget will be emailed to the CEC for a vote.
- The June 30, 2015 Budget was presented and some items were questioned. Robin and Ami will discuss with Angela, revise and then email to the CEC for a vote.

Communications:

- No additional report.

Community Service:

- No additional report.

Education:

- No additional report.

CGFM:

- *No additional report.*

Membership:

- Felicia reported that she will be conducting survey of the membership.

Accountability:

- Copies of the Citizen-Centric Report (CCR) were distribute for review and discussion at the next CEC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Post meeting vote:
On August 6, 2015, a motion was made that we approve Tracy's hotel expense for one night (not to exceed $80) to attend the SLMR in Des Moines on August 14 and 15, 2015. The vote passed.

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Mid-MO AGA Financial Summary—as of June 30, 2015

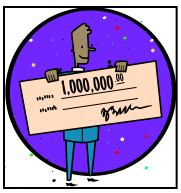
by Angela Schaben

Mid-MO AGA Financial Summary
AS of June 30, 2015

	June 2015 Final Actual	Budget Year Ending 6/30/2015	Variance
Receipts:			
Membership Dues		$ -	$ -
Registrations	$ 36,215.00	$ 44,855.00	$ (8,640.00)
Interest	$ 8.87	$ 45.00	$ (36.13)
National Awards	$ 275.00	$ 270.00	$ 5.00
Miscellaneous		$ -	$ -
Fundraising	$ 165.00	$ 1,200.00	$ (1,035.00)
Sponsorships		$ -	$ -
Disbursements:			
Awards, Honoraria, Gifts	$ 231.28	$ 1,020.00	$ (788.72)
CEC Planning Meeting	$ 583.71	$ 200.00	$ 383.71
Regional Planning Meeting		$ 300.00	$ (300.00)
GASB Contributions		$ 1,000.00	$ (1,000.00)
Meeting Meals	$ 11,318.55	$ 12,464.59	$ (1,146.04)
Member Travel	$ 86.79	$ 2,200.00	$ (2,113.21)
PDC/S&L Registration	$ 1,200.00	$ 1,400.00	$ (200.00)
PO Box Rental	$ 60.00	$ 100.00	$ (40.00)
Postage	$ 29.07	$ -	$ 29.07
Printing	$ 675.92	$ 2,182.00	$ (1,506.08)
Merchandise Expense		$ 200.00	$ (200.00)
Community Service		$ 75.00	$ (75.00)
Dues/Registrations	$ 9,000.00	$ 12,000.00	$ (3,000.00)
Miscellaneous		$ 250.00	$ (250.00)
Scholarships	$ 1,200.00	$ 2,160.00	$ (960.00)
Speaker Fees/Travel Exp.	$ 11,223.08	$ 5,596.56	$ 5,626.52
Website	$ 1,200.00	$ 2,200.00	$ (1,000.00)
Workshop Supplies	$ 330.08	$ 949.00	$ (618.92)
Workshop Accomodations	$ 3,661.47	$ 6,900.28	$ (3,238.81)
Equipment		$ -	$ -
Credit Card Fees	$ 1,055.64	$ 800.00	$ 255.64

Revenue Over (Under) Expenses	$ (5,191.72)
Beginning Cash Balance	$ 13,054.42
Ending Cash Balance	$ 7,862.70
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Payable	
Credits on Account (Cancelled Trainings)	
Net Available for Chapter Use	$ 7,862.70
Investments	
Premier Certificate of Deposit	$ 9,587.90
Home Savings Bank CD	$ 6,211.16
Total Investments	$ 15,799.06
Chapter Fund Balance	$ 23,661.76
Cash Balance Consists of:	
Petty Cash	$ 30.00
Checking Account	$ 7,862.70
	$ 7,892.70





Mid-MO AGA EDUCATION SCHEDULE—2015-2016 (Updated 9.1.2015)

Date	Time	Place	Speaker (s)	Topic	CPE
October 22, 2015	11:30 AM-1:00 PM Lunch will be served	Jefferson Building-1st floor conference room	Tom Durkin, Attorney General's Office	Consumer Protection (and Internet Safety-using IT wisely)	1
November 16, 2015	TO BE DETERMINED				1
December 4, 2015	7:30 AM-4:30 PM Lunch will be	Governor's Office Building		Annual Membership Seminar	8



2015- 2016 Events

Have a suggestion for a topic?
Contact Robin Burkhart at 751-8291 or
e-mail president@midmoaga.org today.

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2015-2016 Executive Committee/Sub-Committee Chairs

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Vacant Positions
President-Elect

Director of Education

Director of Community Service

Director of CGFM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY. SUB-COMMITTEES POSITIONS AVAILABLE ALSO! VOLUNTEER TODAY BY CONTACTING ONE OF THE MID-MO AGA CHAPTER OFFICERS!!!

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