

Calendar of Events Boston Chapter

Local

January 10, 2012
Boston Chapter
Executive Committee
Meeting



January 19, 2012
Winter Seminar
Collecting Testimonial
Evidence
JFK Federal Building,
Boston, MA



National

Feb. 16 - 17, 2012
National
Leadership
Conference
Washington, DC



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President's Message



With the end of 2011 and the start of 2012, it's time for all of us to reflect on our past successes and plan for the New Year. Thanks to the hard work of your officers and committees, the Chapter, by all measures, had a very successful 2011 with the year being capped off by the annual fundraiser at Maggianos. This year's fundraiser was the most successful in recent years and benefitted a great cause - Christmas in the City. Thanks to all those who attended/donated for making Christmas special for some underprivileged children.

In January, the nominating committee begins the process of identifying the Chapter's officers for next year. If you are interested participating or if you know someone who may be interested in participating in the Chapter's operations, please contact Howard Olsher, Joseph Valchuis or me for more information. The Chapter is always looking for new perspectives and fresh ideas and I can assure you that your participation will be both educational and rewarding. The new slate of officers will be voted on at the Regional PDC.

Julie Burns and the Education committee have been working on finalizing the arrangements for the Regional PDC at Bentley University on March 13, 2012. The lineup for this year's PDC is outstanding so please mark the date on your calendar and plan on attending. Registration information will be on the website shortly.

Please also note that applications are now being accepted for the Chapter's two education scholarship: the George E. Brady and Walter Frese Scholarships. Applications can be found on the Chapter's website and are due February 8, 2012. Winners will be announced at the PDC.

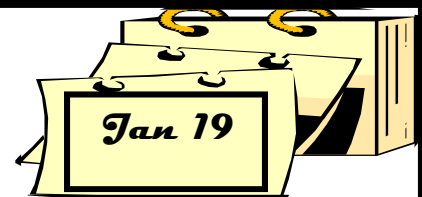
Finally, throughout 2012, we will continue to work on increasing membership, increasing the number of CGFMs and, most importantly, increasing the value to you, the members.

If you've got questions or have suggestions for improvements, please contact one of the Chapter officers. On a personal note, I hope everyone has a healthy and happy New Year!

Shawn Warren

Save the Date!

Winter Seminar
Collecting Testimonial Evidence
JFK Federal Building
Boston, MA



**Boston Chapter AGA
Educational Opportunity
Winter Seminar
Collecting Testimonial
Evidence**

Date: January 19, 2012

*Location: JFK Federal Building
Boston*

Registration: 8:00 - 8:30 (plan for time to go through building security)

AM Session: 8:30 - 12:00

Lunch: 12:00 - 1:00 (on your own)

PM Session: 1:00 - 4:15

CPEs: 7

*Cost: AGA Members \$75
Non-Members \$100*

The AGA – Boston Chapter is pleased to announce a full day seminar at the JFK Federal Building in Boston, MA on Thursday, January 19, 2012. This Seminar will have nationally acclaimed presenter and Boston Chapter member Bob Carnegie speaking on the subject of Interviewing Techniques for Auditors, Inspectors and Evaluators

This very participative workshop was originally designed to train Federal and state government and private company auditors to gather evidence for their audits and investigations by using a highly effective interviewing process. Since often the nature of auditing is adversarial, this program emphasizes the need to collect information objectively and in a collaborative spirit, and at the same time, making sure it is done in a non-intimidating manner. Participants will learn a step-by-step process, from pre-interview activities to face-to-face interviewing to post-interview follow-up and closure, including:

- Setting objectives for the interview
- Scheduling the interview
- Developing appropriate questions
- Improving listening skills and retention of information
- Probing for more detail
- Handling difficult interviewees
- Interviewing with a partner
- Following up interviews to gain additional information

Hope to see you there and bring a friend!

Registrations due by 1/17/12, To register please contact

*Julia Burns, CGFM at
Julia.Burns@state.ma.us
or via phone at 617-973-2452
Or online at
www.agaboston.org*

Calendar of Training Events Program Year 2011 - 2012

September 28, 2011

Audio Conference - Fraud

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

October 5, 2011

Audio Conference - Internal Controls

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

October 20, 2011

Fall Seminar - Fraud

Lombardo's, Randolph, MA

7 CPEs

Members: \$90 Non-Members: \$125

November 17, 2011

Fall Workshop - Data Analysis & Case Studies

JFK Federal Building, Boston, Room E275C

4 CPEs

Members: \$50 Non-Members: \$65

December 1, 2011

Annual Holiday Party &

Charity Fundraiser

Maggianno's, Boston

Members: \$20 Non-Members: \$25

December 14, 2011

Audio Conference - Fraud

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

January 19, 2012

Winter Seminar - Collecting Testimonial

Evidence, Interviewing Techniques

JFK Federal Building, Boston

7 CPEs

Members: \$75 Non-Members: \$100

February 8, 2012

Audio Conference - Financial Management

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

March 7, 2012

Audio Conference - Data Mining

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

March 13, 2012

Regional Professional Developmental Conference

Bentley University, Waltham, MA

8 CPEs

Members: \$90 - \$100 Non-Members: \$130 - \$155

April 18, 2012

Audio Conference - Auditing Tools

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

May 23, 2012

Audio Conference - Ethics

JFK Federal Building, Boston

3 CPEs

Members: Free Non-Members: \$25

Any individual that may require special accommodations for the disabled at any Boston Chapter Training should communicate this and include the information in their registration prior to the event.



Annual Holiday Luncheon and Charity Raffle
Thursday, December 1, 2011
at Maggiano's Little Italy, Boston, MA

Two raffles were held raising funds for *Christmas in the City*. The Boston Chapter added to the funds collected and a total of One Thousand Dollars was donated. The following is a list of winners and the applicable raffle items donated:

Boston Bruins – hockey puck autographed by
Dennis Seidenberg

Maggie Trudel

Boston Red Sox – Jon Lester Autographed Baseball

Maggie Trudel

Buttonwood Park Zoo – One Year Family
Membership

Male Kanya

EcoTarium – Family Pass

Patricia Rydlak

JFK Library and Museum – 4 Admission Passes

Robert Mahoney

Middleton Golf Course – 1 Round of Golf for 2
Persons

Thomas Bobrowski

Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame – Buy One/Get
One Admission Ticket

Michael George

New England Aquarium – 2 admission passes

Thomas Bobrowski

New England Patriots Charitable Foundation –
Patrick Chung autographed football

Charles McCarthy

New England Revolution Charitable Foundation –
2 tickets to any regular season 2012 soccer game

Jane Gustowski

Pats Peak – 2 Passes for 1 Lift Ticket

David LeBlanc

Plimoth Plantation – 2 Admission Passes

Thomas Bobrowski

Salem Wax Museum – Two free passes

Sheila McDonough

Salem Witch Museum – 2 Complimentary Passes

Shannon Parven

Southwick's Zoo – 2 Complimentary Admission
Passes

Michael George

Zoo New England – 4 Complimentary Admission
Passes

Michael George

Decorative Collector's Plate

Kathy Cushing

2 - \$25 Dunkin Donuts Gift Card

Maria Fernandez and Julie Burns

Round of golf for 3 at Ipswich Country Club

Caryn Shea

\$25 Barnes and Noble Gift Card

David LeBlanc

2 "Mystery" Bottles of Wine

Maria Fernandez and Shana Doiron

\$25 Chili's Gift Card

Debbie Semensi

\$25 Amazon.com Gift Card

Dianne Handrahan

Dessert Stand and Mugs

Patricia Rydlak

Book

Maggie Trudel

50/50 Raffle

Elaine Silva

Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (“Transparency Act” or “FFATA”)

The accountability of governments has become of greater interest to the public in recent years. When congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (“ARRA”) in February 2009, all recipients of ARRA funding were required under Section 1512 of ARRA to file quarterly reports relating to their use of recovery dollars to provide transparency into the use of these funds. To further the transparency of the use of federal awards, the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (“Transparency Act” or “FFATA”) was enacted. FFATA requires subaward reporting by recipients of federal awards to ensure the transparency of non-ARRA federal funding.

FFATA requires each recipient of federal awards to report subawards made based on the award level. This includes each first-tier subaward obligating action of \$25,000 or more in Federal funds and contractor reporting of each first-tier subcontract award of \$25,000 or more in Federal funds, not including procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program. Specific subaward data required to be reported under FFATA include the subaward date, subawardee DUNS number, amount of subaward, subaward obligation/action date, and subaward number.

In addition, each recipient must report the executive compensation of the five most highly compensated officers of the entity receiving the subaward if in the prior fiscal year, the entity received 80% or more of its annual gross revenues in federal awards or received \$25 million or more of its annual gross revenues from federal awards, and the public does not have information about the compensation of the senior executives from another source (compensation includes the cash and noncash dollar value earned by the executive during the recipient's or subrecipient's preceding fiscal year per 2 CFR Chapter 1, Part 170).

The key date triggering FFATA subaward reporting by the recipient of the original federal award is October 1, 2010. For grants with discretionary and mandatory awards equal to or exceeding \$25,000 made with a new Federal Assistance Identification Number (FAIN) on or after October 1, 2010, FFATA reporting is required. Once this requirement applies, the recipient must report for any subaward under that award with a value of \$25,000 or more, each obligating action of \$25,000 or more in Federal funds. Recipients are not required to report on subawards made on or after October 1, 2010 that use funds awarded prior to that date. For contracts, the implementation date is phased in. For the time periods October 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011 any newly awarded subcontract of \$25,000 or more must be reported if the value of the Federal prime contract award under which that subcontract was awarded was \$550,000 or more. Beginning March 1, 2011, any newly awarded subcontract of \$25,000 or more must be reported if the value of the Federal prime contract award under which that subcontract was awarded was \$25,000 or more.

Grant recipients must report information related to a subaward by the end of the month following the month in which the subaward or obligation of \$25,000 or greater was made and, for contracts, the month in which a modification was issued that changed previously reported information.

When a subaward includes both ARRA and non-ARRA funding, the Section 1512 ARRA requirement would apply to the ARRA-funded part of the subaward, while the FFATA reporting requirements apply to the non-ARRA funds.



Please join the Membership Committee in welcoming the following new member to the Boston Chapter:

Robert Scherer
Department of Children and Families

Member News

Elaine Silva of the Massachusetts State Auditor’s Office has earned her Certified Fraud Specialist (CFS) Certification.

Joseph Valchuis has been appointed as AGA’s Regional Vice President Elect of the Northeast Region.

Congratulations!!!!

Membership Update

The Boston Chapter membership includes:

284 Active Members

52 New Members

21 Suspended Members

The Boston Chapter recognizes our “new member” multiple sponsors since May 1, 2011

William Conroy..... 8

Shannon Parven..... 7

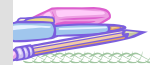
Elaine Silva..... 2

From the Editor...

Do you know someone in the Boston Chapter who has recently received promotion, accepted a new position, retired or won an award? Would you like to share your good news with fellow AGA members? Or maybe you’re interested in writing a technical article for an upcoming issue of *Boston’s Beacon*.

Please forward submissions for the next issue of *Boston’s Beacon* to dleblanc@doe.mass.edu.

Thanks!



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Chapter Recognition Program

The Chapter Recognition Program is designed to support, encourage, and promote the accomplishment of AGA’s mission and to provide flexible noncompetitive guidelines for a well-rounded chapter. The Chapter Recognition Program year begins on June 1st and concludes on May 31st.

Boston Chapter credits as of December 31, 2011 are:

Categories	Maximum Credits	Credits Earned	Credits Allowed	% of Avail
Leadership, Planning & Participation	3,000	3,875	3,000	100%
Education & Professional Development	4,000	4,200	4,000	100%
Certification	4,000	4,750	4,000	100%
Communications	3,000	5,541	3,000	100%
Membership	3,000	5,725	3,000	100%
Accountability	2,000	2,025	2,000	100%
Community Service	2,000	2,900	1,300	100%
Awards	1,000	1,850	1,000	100%
Total	22,000	30,866	22,000	100%

**Boston Chapter Balance Sheet
December 31, 2011**

Assets

Cash	
Checking Account	\$16,623
Savings Account	9,976
Certificates of Deposit	<u>0</u>

Total Cash \$26,599

Total Accounts Receivable \$ 340

Total Assets \$26,939

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Accounts Payable	\$ 0
Deferred Revenue - Seminars	0
Current Fund Balance	<u>26,939</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance \$26,939



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Speaker Database

The AGA-Boston Chapter is building a speaker database. Do you know a dynamic speaker who you would like to see at an upcoming educational event? Are you a speaker who would like to be included in the database?

Please send the speaker's name, address, phone number, e-mail address and potential topics to the Chapter's Vice President of Education - Julia Burns, CGFM at Julia.Burns@osc.state.ma.us



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January Quote

"An optimist stays up until midnight to see the New Year in. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves."

Unknown

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7	1	4	5	9	2	6	3	8
6	9	2	7	8	3	5	1	4
3	2	5	9	1	7	8	4	6
1	6	8	3	4	5	7	9	2
4	7	9	8	2	6	3	5	1



TRIVIA QUESTION!

The first New Year's Eve ball drop in Times Square happened in which year?

Answer found elsewhere in the newsletter

Websites of Interest

- American Society for Public Admin (ASPA)..... www.aspanet.org
- MA Chapter of ASPA www.massspa.org
- Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (CFE) www.cfenet.com
- Greater Boston Chapter of CFE www.acfe-boston.org
- Association of Government Accountants www.agacgfm.org
- AGA Boston Chapter www.aga-boston-chapter.org
- AGA Aroostook County Chapter.....www.agaarostookcounty.org
- AGA Hartford Chapter.....www.agahartford.org
- AGA Maine Chapter www.gwi.net/~aga/
- COSO www.coso.org
- First Gov..... www.firstgov.gov
- Governmental Accounting Standards Board www.gasb.org
- Government Executive..... www.govexec.com
- Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) www.theiia.org
- IIA Greater Boston Chapter..... www.theiia.org/chapters/index.cfm/home.page/cid/13
- Intergovernmental Audit Forum..... www.auditforum.org
- International Accounts Payable Professionals (IAPP)..... www.iappnet.org
- National Assoc of State Auditors, Comptrollers & Treasurers..... www.nasact.org
- National Assoc of State Comptrollers www.nasact.org/community/nasc.html
- National Assoc of State Treasurers www.nasact.org/community/nast.html
- National State Auditors Association..... www.nasact.org/community/nsaa.html
- National Electronic Commerce Coordinating Council..... www.ec3.org

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Boston AGA Annual Awards – Brief Descriptions

AGENCY CHAPTER SERVICE AWARD

Purpose: To recognize an agency that has made significant contributions to AGA

Eligibility: All agencies who have exhibited support for AGA

Criteria: The award is given for outstanding support provided by an agency to the Local Chapter and or National AGA. Eligible agencies will have consistently made important contributions in support of the development and enhancement of AGA

2011 Winner - Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Purpose: To accord recognition for leadership or outstanding achievement in developing, implementing, and improving financial management in government service in the past year

Eligibility: The individual nominated must have been employed in government service at the time the work being recognized was performed. Nominees do not have to be members of the AGA

Criteria: Selection criteria for the award will be generally limited to achievements accomplished in the preceding calendar year

2011 Winner – Howard Olsher, CGFM - Office of the Massachusetts State Auditor

MEL PARTOL MEMORIAL AWARD

Purpose: To recognize an individual for superior dedicated service that enhanced the Chapter

Eligibility: Any AGA member of the Boston Chapter

Criteria: Superior and dedicated service will be considered on a broad basis of acts, achievements or service that enhanced the prestige of the Boston Chapter, enabled the Chapter to provide greater service to its membership, or brought a sense of continued dedication to the Boston Chapter

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Purpose: To annually recognize an AGA – Boston Chapter member who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to volunteer community service by participating in a volunteer community service project or projects

Eligibility: Current AGA – Boston Chapter member

Criteria: Superior and dedicated volunteer community service will be considered on a broad basis of acts, achievements or service

2011 Winner – David A. LeBlanc, CGFM, CFS

CHAPTER EDUCATOR AWARD

Purpose: To annually recognize an AGA – Boston Chapter member who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to providing educational opportunities to the AGA and other regional groups

Eligibility: Current AGA – Boston Chapter member

Criteria: Superior and dedicated educational service will be considered on a broad basis of acts, achievements or service

2011 Winner – Julia Burns, CGFM, Massachusetts Office of the Comptroller

Boston Chapter AGA Annual Scholarships



The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) - Boston

Chapter is pleased to offer one (1) **Walter Frese Memorial Scholarship** of \$1,000 to a high school, undergraduate, or graduate student enrolled in a financial management related program.

The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) - Boston Chapter is pleased to offer one (1) **George E. Brady Memorial Scholarship** of \$1,000 to an AGA – Boston Chapter member or an immediate family member that is enrolled in an institution of higher education with no limitation as to educational major.

Applications are available at www.aga-boston-chapter.org

These scholarships will be presented at the Chapter's annual appreciation dinner later this year.

Nomination Submission

To nominate someone for one of the Chapter awards, please compose a document which provides the person's name, job title, organization, AGA – Boston Chapter membership status, and a narrative which supports the award criteria. Submit the completed nomination via e-mail: (william.muench@comcast.net) or mail for receipt by no later than February 8, 2012 to:

AGA - BOSTON CHAPTER FY 2012
AWARDS
C/O WILLIAM A. MUENCH
16 WEYBRIDGE LANE
HOPKINTON, MASSACHUSETTS
01748

I know coffee is expensive but it's a good thing they didn't buy the donut too!

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Charleston Int Airport
(843)767-7055
Dunkin Donuts

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****TO GO****

1 Coffee SM Whole Milk	1.59
176 Cash	880.00
NA Bev	1.59
	0.17
Payment	1.76
Change Due	878.24

TalkToUs

We always welcome your comments.

Please call us at 877-325-8777
Or, email:
TalkToUs@foodtravelexperts.com

Membership Notes

The Co-Directors of Membership recently put two proposals to a vote before the Executive Committee aimed at increasing new member participation and attracting new members. The first proposal would allow new members of the Boston AGA, retroactive to May 1, 2011, to attend one half day training or workshop session for free.

The second proposal would award a paid annual membership to the AGA and the Boston Chapter to the member who sponsors the most new members this year. Both proposals passed.

If you are a new member and would like to take advantage of the free half day training course, you may register online. Under the "Special Instructions" section of the registration, please indicate that you are a new member and are taking advantage of your free half day session. There are two half day training sessions scheduled. One will be held on November 17th and one will be held on May 10, 2012.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Howard Olsher or Shannon Parven at (617) 727-6200.



CGFM CPE Requirements



In order to maintain CGFM designation in an active status, CGFMs must adhere to the AGA's Code of Ethics, pay the annual renewal fee by March 31 and meet the following continuing professional education (CPE) requirements:

complete at least 80 hours of CPE every two years in government financial management Topics or related technical subjects;

maintain and, if requested by AGA, provide detailed information on CPE hours completed.

The two-year CPE cycle is based on the year the CGFM was awarded. CPEs are applicable if continuing professional education hours that would satisfy the CGFM Program's requirement must be in government financial management topics or related technical subjects applicable to government financial management areas.

The CGFM is initially responsible for determining whether a topic or subject qualifies as an acceptable CPE. Additional questions should be referred to the Office of Professional Certification - 703.684.6931, ext. 305.

CGFMs need to maintain documentation to substantiate their statements of completed CPE for a minimum of three years. This documentation may be requested by AGA as part of a CPE audit or a reactivation process.

The proper backup documentation must clearly state the individual's attendance or completion of the CPE activity. Examples of such documentation include: a certificate of attendance or completion, a certificate of CPE hours earned, a grade report or an official letter from the event sponsor or employer stating that the CGFM has attended the event.

For more information on the requirements to maintain a CGFM in an active status, please visit the following site:

<http://www.agacgfm.org/cgfm/maintain/>





CEC Meeting Highlights

The Boston Chapter Executive Committee met on Tuesday, Dec 11, 2011. Please note the following:

Education: The calendar of events for the next program year was discussed and locations are being reserved.

Treasurer: The budget progress for Program Year 2011 - 2012 was discussed identifying current and future sources of revenue, along with anticipated expenditures. Receivables and collections from 2011 were discussed.

Community Services: We discussed plans for the upcoming year, including collections that were made at the annual Holiday Party Fundraiser. We donated toys and \$10000 to Christmas in the City. Also, it was reported that nine members served dinner to our veterans on November 22'nd.

CGFM, Membership and Early Careers: Updates and reports on these subjects were discussed and reviewed.

Awards: Information for the annual chapter awards and scholarships that will be presented at our Regional PDC at Bentley University in March of 2012, has been prepared and disseminated to chapter members and was posted on the web site.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan 10, 2012.

Trivia Answer

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Boston Chapter AGA Website



The Boston Chapter of the AGA has a new and improved award winning website. Please change your browser favorites to the following:

www.agaboston.org

Take a tour around the site and send your feedback, suggestions and thoughts to the webmaster or any chapter Officer or Director. Check the site often for updates and valuable information.

Are you using social media? The Boston Chapter invites you to follow us on Twitter, like our Facebook Fan Page, and/or join our LinkedIn Group. Our moniker is – you guessed it – Boston AGA! We plan to provide periodic updates regarding education sessions, community service events, etc.



If you have any questions, feel free to contact Julia Burns at BostonAGA@gmail.com.

Citizen Centric Reporting

The Association of Government Accountants, the thought leader for the government accountability profession, evaluates reports for the Certificate of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting award. AGA determines award recipients based on content, visual appeal, readability, distribution, and timeliness of reporting.

The Boston Chapter is proud to publish their very first Citizen Centric Report.

To view a copy of the Chapter's first Citizen Centric Report, please go to our website at:

http://www.agaboston.org/files/Boston_Chapter_CCR.pdf

News from National

61st Annual PDC Scheduled for Sunny San Diego Hotel Rooms Available

Registration and hotel information for [AGA's 61st Annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition](#) is now available online. If you are planning ahead for the PDC in San Diego, **July 29–Aug. 1, 2012**, you can [reserve a room at one of five hotels](#) near the conference site, the San Diego Convention Center. The room rate is \$133 (plus tax) for single and double occupancy. Rates are guaranteed until **July 6**, or until the block is sold out.

To make a reservation, please call the conference hotels directly and mention you are attending the “AGA PDC” to ensure you receive the discounted rate. All hotel rooms are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis until the hotel is sold out. Make your reservations early!

AGA's National Nominating Committee has selected its slate of officers to serve on the National Board of Directors for 2012-2015.

As National President-Elect, the Nominating Committee selected **Mary E. Peterman, CGFM, CPA**, a member of AGA's Virginia Peninsula Chapter and a Past National Treasurer. She is a vice president with Savantage Solutions, having previously held financial management leadership positions in Chesterfield County, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Northampton County, VA, as well as the Transportation Security Administration and U.S. Coast Guard.

Her past AGA leadership positions include Virginia Peninsula Chapter President, Mid-Atlantic Regional Vice President, Finance and Budget Committee, PDC Technical Committee, National Executive Committee and National Nominating Committee. She has received a National President's Award, Platinum Chapter Award and multiple national chapter recognition awards following her term as chapter president.

AGA's 10th Annual National Leadership Conference

For 10 years, AGA's National Leadership Conference has been *the* event for developing and training government financial professionals to excel as leaders in today's competitive market. AGA will continue its legacy at NLC 2012 by training government financial managers and accountability professionals to be effective leaders and to take skills and knowledge gained to the next level.

[Register](#) today for [AGA's 10th Annual National Leadership Conference](#), Feb. 16-17, 2012, at the Ronald Reagan Building & International Trade Center in Washington D.C.

10 Reasons to Attend:

- Low-cost registration price **plus** \$100 in savings for registering by Jan. 20.
- Show your commitment to government accountability excellence.
- Earn 14 CPE hours.
- Be inspired by top leaders in federal, state and local government.
- Connect with new colleagues and renew contacts.
- Discover innovative and creative ways to improve your job performance.
- Gain new skills and knowledge to help you become an extraordinary leader.
- Speak with private sector partners who can provide solutions to your most pressing challenges and win great prizes.
- Support this year's National Leadership Award recipients.
- Experience all there is to see and do in Washington, D.C.

Win a Free PDC 2012 Conference Registrations & hotel accommodations

Grab your digital video camera and produce a creative & entertaining two-minute video to share your views on the value of attendance at AGA's 61st Professional Development Conference in San Diego, CA. See the AGA web site for details

New England Regional News

New England Region Vice President Team



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Jenny Boyden
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New England Regional Coordinators

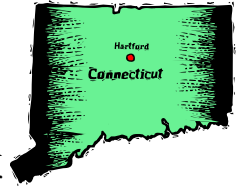
Joseph Valchuis, CFE, CFS
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Meetings for the Hartford Chapter

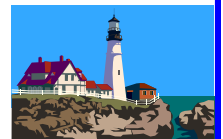


The Hartford Chapter of the AGA held a one day seminar on October 7th encompassing the following topics.

Basic Government Fund Accounting, Ethics, GASB Statement No. 54 & The Essentials of Connecticut's Wage and Hour Law

Hartford Chapter at www.agahartford.org

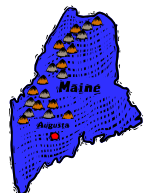
Aroostook County Chapter



The Aroostook County Chapter held their annual Fall Symposium on November 9, 2011. They had seven speakers each do a one hour session on a variety of topics. Included in their roster was AGA National Executive Director, Relmond Van Daniker. Plans are already being made for next year's event.

Aroostook County Chapter at
www.agaarostookcounty.org

Maine Chapter Meetings



Held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, September-May, at the Senator Inn. Meetings include a social lunch, chapter meeting/announcements, and an informational speaker.

The Maine Chapter of the AGA conducted a Holiday Gift Collection for at risk youths during the month of December.

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