

Calendar of Events Boston Chapter

Local

November 2, 2010
Boston Chapter
Executive Committee
Meeting



November 17, 2010
Audio Conference
Achieving Transparency
JFK Federal Building
Boston, MA.



Regional

November 5, 2010
Full Day
Training Seminar
Hartford, CT



National

Feb. 17 - 18, 2011
National
Leadership
Conference.
Washington, DC



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President's Message



We are a third of the way through our fiscal year and I am pleased to report we are well underway to have another successful year for the Boston Chapter. Our financial condition is favorable. The fund balance has accumulated to over \$22,000 and year to date revenues exceed expenses. Recently the Chapter Executive Committee voted to approve a policy to allow sponsorships at the PDC and other events. Several other Chapters have adopted similar policies and find this to be an effective way to further improve finances. Details pertaining to sponsorship opportunities will be communicated next month.

The education committee continues to do a fabulous job organizing and delivering a series of relevant, timely, and important educational events at a very low cost. As you will see further described in the newsletter, there are several upcoming events, with the AGA webcast on transparency set for November. If you are interested in co-locating to hear the webcast (thus accomplishing further cost efficiency) please look for a special flyer with logistical details over the next week. These educational events are central to the mission of the Boston Chapter and I encourage both members and non-members to take full advantage.

Our CGFM and outreach program to students (called the "early careers" program) continues, with Boston Chapter participation in a career day at UMASS Boston completed and outreach to several other schools planned for later this year. If you have ideas or wish to help in this area please contact Joe Valchius.

Membership has increased. We added 9 new members since the beginning of the fiscal year. However we still have 39 people in a suspended/inactive status. We are always reaching out to encourage more members. Our communications program continues to be first rate. The monthly newsletters are both enjoyable and informative. Also we encourage you to visit our website, AGABoston.org.

The community service program has been very active with several community contributions already accomplished and others planned for later in the year. If you are interested in participating in the lunch with homeless veterans on Veterans Day please coordinate with Kim Rapoza. Also please consider donating an item for the raffle at our holiday lunch in December, as the proceeds from the raffle are used to make a significant donation during the holiday season to children in need.

Regarding transparency and accountability reporting, we are organizing a webcast targeted to cities and towns to promote citizen centric reporting. We hope to be able to report progress in this area soon. The bottom line is that all the indicators of a vibrant and successful Chapter are "in the green". With your participation and support, the Boston Chapter is on track with our annual plan and heading in a positive direction.

Bill Kilmartin

Boston Chapter AGA Educational Opportunity Audio Conference

“Achieving Transparency”

Date: November 17, 2010

Location: JFK Federal Building, Boston

Registration: 12:30

Speaker: 1:00 - 2:00

Audio Conf: 2:00 - 4:00

CPEs: 3

Cost: Members Free, Non-Members \$20

Registrations due by 11/15/10, 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

During this audio conference, you will hear about how to achieve data integration from differing perspectives—from senior management integrating enterprise-wide systems and from the analyst trying to combine inter-agency data to produce reports. You will come away from this discussion armed with insights and tools you can immediately use, whether you are upgrading your financial systems or trying to consolidate sub-recipient reports. Most important, when your data is integrated, it allows for transparent reporting.

To share their expertise are **Don Geiger**, acting deputy chief financial officer and acting director, Office of Financial Management at the U.S. Department of the Interior, **David Cofer**, information technology specialist in the Data Mining and Analysis Staff Office of Mission Systems, Office of Inspector General at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and **Sheila Hammond, CGFM**, and **Phyllis Erikson, CISA**, from IDEA®/Audimation Services, Inc.,

Three CPE's will be awarded for this Audio Conference. Hope to see you there and bring a friend!



CGFM NEWS

Need an extra incentive to apply for the CGFM Program?

Here it is:

From September 1 until December 31, 2010 AGA will give a rebate of \$20 for CGFM applications received with the assistance of AGA chapters.

In order to receive a \$20 rebate,

the complete CGFM application (application form, \$85 application fee and copy of the transcript) must be received by AGA Office of Professional Certification during the period of September 1 through December 31, 2010.

And the CGFM application form must have the promotional phrase: "CGFM chapter promotion - [name of your chapter]" written at the bottom of the form. If the application is submitted online, the applicant must put this phrase in the last question: "How did you learn about the CGFM Program?"

Important notes:

A full application fee of \$85 must be paid at the time of application. The \$20 check will be sent to the applicant by mail in January.

The applicant must put the words "CGFM chapter promotion" AND the name of the chapter on the application form in order to receive the rebate.

But that is not all...

Any chapter that encouraged at least 5 completed applications to be submitted during September 1-December 31, 2010 period (and listed in the "CGFM chapter promotion" phrase) will receive a complete set of CGFM study guides free!



**Boston Chapter
Education
Recap**



On October 21, 2010 over 110 Boston AGA Chapter Members and guests attended the our Fall Seminar at Lombardo's in Randolph.

The seminar had four different sessions discussing the "Many Faces of Fraud".

David Reardon, USPS Agent started the seminar by speaking on Mail and Postal Fraud. We discovered that the USPS covers many more issues than just delivering the mail.

Next US HHS Office of the Inspector General Staff personnel Michael Armstrong and Philip Coyne presented a session on Medicare Fraud. We heard many examples of different types of fraud including cases involving individuals hiding their ownership or financial interest in medical businesses.

After lunch Brian D Heslin, ICE Group Supervisor with Document and Benefit Fraud Taskforce will spoke on the Basics of Immigration Fraud. He listed many examples of the various types of fraud that are attempted every day in the ongoing immigration issues and the attempts to keep our country safe.

The final session was conducted by Dr. Richard Frasier, presenting on Handwriting Analysis. Dr Frasier showed and discussed many examples of cases that he has testified as a handwriting expert including a case held in the US Virgin Islands (beach pictures were included).

Seven CPE's were awarded for this full day of training along with an excellent lunch and great service from the staff at Lombardo's. Many of our participants listed this session and the line up of speakers as one of the best trainings that they have attended.

Our next training session will be an audio conference on November 17 on the subject of Achieving Transparency.



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US HHS Regional IG Michael Armstrong and Kim Rapoza, CGFM

Our "clean-up" speaker
Handwriting
Analysis
Expert
Dr. Richard
Frasier



Chapter Immediate Past President Joe Valchuis and Brian D Heslin, ICE Group Supervisor

Calendar of Events Program Year 2010 - 2011

September 29, 2010

**Audio Conference - Improving Program
Performance and Accountability
JFK Federal Building, Boston
3 CPEs**

Members: Free Non-Members: \$20

October 21, 2010

**Fall Seminar - Fraud
Lombardo's, Randolph, MA
7 CPEs**

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

November 17, 2010

**Audio Conference - Achieving Transparency
JFK Federal Building, Boston
3 CPEs**

Members: Free Non-Members: \$20

December 2, 2010

**Annual Holiday Party and Charity
Fundraiser
Maggianno's, Boston, MA**

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

December 8, 2010

**Audio Conference - Risk Assessment & SAS Update
75 Pleasant Street, Malden, MA
3 CPEs**

Members: Free Non-Members: \$20

January 20, 2011

**Winter Seminar - Accountability & Transparency
Reporting / TBD
Volpe Federal Building, Cambridge
7 CPEs**

Members: \$50 Non-Members: \$75

February 2, 2011

**Audio Conference - Internal Controls
JFK Federal Building, Boston
3 CPEs**

Members: Free Non-Members: \$20

March 15, 2011

**Regional Professional Developmental Conference
Bentley University, Waltham, MA
8 CPEs**

Members: TBD Non-Members: TBD

April 14, 2011

**Spring Seminar - Subject - TBD
Location - TBD
7 CPEs**

Members: TBD Non-Members: TBD

May 18, 2011

**Audio Conference - Ethics
JFK Federal Building, Boston
3 CPEs**

Members: Free Non-Members: \$20

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.



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

Ellen Riley
MWRA

Eric Dickstein
Mass Office of the Comptroller

Member News

Boston Chapter Past President **Joe Valchuis** passed his second section of the CGFM exam. Two down, one to go. Congratulations Joe!

At the fall seminar at Lombardo's **Shawn Warren** was elected to the position of Chapter President Elect. This election was held in accordance with our bylaws to fill a vacancy in the title.

Congratulations Shawn and we all look forward to working with you.

Membership Update

The Boston Chapter membership includes:

224 Active Members

7 New Members

38 Suspended Members

The Boston Chapter recognizes and thanks the following new member sponsors since January 1, 2010:

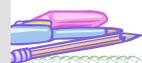
- William A. Muench, CGFM... .. 2
- Howard Olsher , CGFM. 1
- Julia Burns , CGFM..... 1
- Kimberly Rapoza, CGFM..... 1
- Babette Wesby Haines..... 1
- Joseph Valchuis..... 1
- Carla Flores... .. 1
- John Mahoney, CGFM..... 1

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!



SUDOKU

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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 October 31, 2010 are:

Categories	Maximum Credits	Credits Earned	Credits Allowed	% of Avail
Leadership, Planning & Participation	3,000	3,600	3,000	100%
Education & Professional Development	4,000	3,125	3,125	78%
Certification	4,000	2,350	2,350	59%
Communications	3,000	3,944	3,944	100%
Membership	3,000	2,225	2,225	74%
Early Career	2,000	800	800	40%
Community Service	2,000	2,150	2,000	100%
Awards	1,000	2,650	1,000	100%
Total	22,000	20,844	17,500	80%

**Boston Chapter Balance Sheet
October 31, 2010**

Assets

Cash	
Checking Account	\$ 8,092
Savings Account	9,972
Certificates of Deposit	<u>0</u>

Total Cash \$18,064

Total Accounts Receivable \$ 4,055

Total Assets \$22,119

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Accounts Payable	\$ 0
Current Fund Balance	<u>22,119</u>

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance \$22,119

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

Reminder - November 2'nd is Election Day. There are a number of National, Statewide and Local candidates on the ballot this year.



Check with your local city or town to find out what hours the polls are open in your community.

SUDOKU ANSWER

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November Quote

**“Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success.”**

Henry Ford



TRIVIA QUESTION!

What U.S. State has the smallest population?

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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All-Time Deal-Killing Questions to Ask on Your Interview

Here are some of the worst, most self-limiting questions that applicants have actually asked and the (usually unexpressed) comments of the recruiters who fielded them:

How many warnings do you get before you're fired?

The better question is: How many warnings do you get before you're hired? The answer is one. Thanks for providing it.

Is job sharing a possibility?

Possibly, but does this mean you can't give us a commitment for full-time work?

Can you tell me whether you've considered the incredible benefits of telecommuting for this position?

Why do you want to get out of the office before you've even seen it?

I understand that employee paychecks are electronically deposited. Can I get my paycheck the old-fashioned way?

You're already asking for exceptions. What's next? And are you afraid of technology?

I won't have to work for someone with less education than I have, will I?

We'll spare you that possibility. You clearly have a chip on your shoulder. Why should we take a chance that you don't have other interpersonal issues?

Can I see the break room?

Sure, it's on your way out.

What does this company consider a good absenteeism record?

It starts with guaranteeing your absence.

What is the zodiac sign of the company president?

Not sure, but his / her sign is opposite to yours. There will never be conjunction.

Is it easy to get away with stuff around here?

It would be a challenge even for someone with your credentials. Too bad we'll never find out.

Yes, Virginia, There Really are Dumb Questions



CEC Meeting Highlights

The Boston Chapter Executive Committee met on October 5, 2010. Please note the following:

Education: The calendar of events was reviewed with discussion centering on the good attendance for both the September 29th Audio Conference and the October 21st Fraud Seminar. We have focused on the first few events of the year but have also established a number of sessions for the Regional Professional Developmental Conference in March of 2011.

Treasurer: A brief review of the balance sheet was conducted. The draft budget for FY11 was also discussed identifying current and future sources of revenue, along with anticipated expenditures.

By-laws: We are now working on further updating our by-laws, to make them consistent with current reality.

Community Services: We discussed dinners that are to be served to Homeless Veterans on September 27th and on Veterans Day.

Accountability: We have discussed several ideas. The major action item is to find the right person for Director to drive this area, and support that person with a committee.

CGFM, Membership, and Early Careers: Membership has increased by 4% (224) since late July. We are contacting suspended members via a letters and telephone with the goal of making their status to be active again. Five universities/colleges were contacted to participate in the early careers initiative.

Sponsorship Opportunities: Discussions centered on creating opportunities for corporate sponsorship. Discussions included offering various levels of sponsorship (i.e. bronze, silver, gold) and event sponsorships. A discussion memo is being drafted to evaluate and determine the best direction to go.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 5.

Early Career Notes

One of AGA National major initiatives is early career membership. In keeping with that theme the AGA Boston Chapter was represented at the University of Massachusetts Boston Finance and Accounting Career Fair on October 12, 2010.

Chapter representatives spoke to many young individuals who have recently graduated or are close to graduating about the exciting field of government financial management and some of the opportunities available. Most interactions focused on their attitudes toward government service and not surprisingly it was found that a high number of respondents have not considered a job in the public arena and nearly no one was aware of AGA.

Our time talking with the students was invaluable. We passed along some relevant information on the Chapter and the organization as a whole. Many of the students that were spoken to were interested in joining as student members and most requested additional information.

We believe it is important to continue to attend these events and incorporate training (education sessions) as attractive selling points of AGA early careers/ student.



Trivia Answer
North Dakota
Population 646,844
(Boston is 622,611)

Community Service Notes

Volunteers Needed to Help Feed Local Veterans

The veterans of this country have proudly served us and this country. We are scheduled to serve lunch on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2010. Anyone interested in volunteering to help these deserving veterans should contact Kim Rapoza at Kimberly.Rapoza@oig.hhs.gov.



The veteran's shelter is located near Boston City Hall. Thank you for considering helping out our veterans in this worthwhile endeavor.

Community Service Committee Accepted Donations at Lombardo's

The Community Service Committee collected travel size toiletry items, used eyeglasses, and old cell phones for charity at Lombardo's on October 21, 2010. Recycling these items will not only benefit the needy recipients but will help save the environment.

The toiletry items will go to the Ronald McDonald House, the Lions Club will get the eyeglasses and "Cell Phones for Soldiers" will benefit from the used cell phones. Donations were also collected for the Quincy Animal Shelter. This is a 100% volunteer run "no kill" shelter. We accepted cat and dog food and related supplies.

This year the committee also collected gently used Business Attire. They were given to the Career Closet of Interfaith Social Services in Quincy. Thank you again for your generosity and assistance on this project.



Volunteers Worked to Help Feed Local Veterans

On Monday September 27, 2010 seven individuals volunteered to serve dinner at the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans. Over a hundred veterans were served.



Volunteers included Emily Horowitz, Kim Rapoza, Fran Dynan, Ed Maguire, Maggie Trudel, Richard Mee and Jane Gustowski,

Boston Chapter AGA New Website



The Boston Chapter of the AGA has a new and improved 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 and director. Check the site often for updates and valuable information.

News from National

CEAR Reviewers' Training Scheduled for December

Are you interested in participating as a reviewer this year in AGA's Certificate of Excellence in Accountability Reporting program?

The annual training will be held 1 to 3 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 9th at the Government Accountability Office building, 441 G St. NW, Washington, D.C. For more information, contact Evie Barry or Louise Kapelewski or visit AGA's website.

Registration Open for National Leadership Conference

Government financial managers are deeply committed to producing timely, reliable and useful financial information, with the goal of running government programs more efficiently. At AGA's National Leadership Conference (NLC), those sentiments are more than just words.

The NLC brings together a stellar lineup of respected government financial management and accountability leaders to share valuable insight, proven strategies, lessons learned, and discuss the newest management techniques and the most recent information on always-changing standards and regulations.

Don't miss this opportunity to earn 14 CPE hours, share best practices, find solutions to shared challenges, network with your peers and learn from the top financial management leaders and industry experts. Join us **Feb. 17–18, 2011** at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C. and show your commitment to a more accountable future.

GASB Requests Input on Emerging Issues

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is committed to addressing important emerging accounting and financial reporting issues faced by state and local governments. If you are aware of an issue for which guidance is needed, please send an [e-mail](#) to GASB.

Government Finance Case Challenge 2010-2011

The best undergraduate accounting/financial management/business students in the country were invited to compete in the fourth annual Government Finance Case Challenge, sponsored by the Association of Government Accountants (AGA).

Student teams will collaboratively analyze and offer a written response to a case centered on how a U.S. city government creates a citizen-centric report. The registration deadline was Monday, Oct. 3, 2010. All members of the three highest-scoring teams will receive a scholarship to attend AGA's National Leadership Conference, set for February 17-18, 2011 in Washington, D.C.

Teams will present their finalized solutions before a panel of federal/state/local government leaders, corporate partners and CFOs. The winning teams will be announced at the awards luncheon on the final day of the conference. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winning team. Each student participant will receive a free one-year membership to AGA.

Students will compete with teams from various colleges around the country. The experience promises to challenge students' moral reasoning, raise their awareness of the importance of government accountability and open doors to a future career in government.

AGA Releases Guide to Improve Program Performance and Accountability

AGA's Partnership for Intergovernmental Management and Accountability (Partnership) recently released a guide that helps officials at all levels of government resolve oversight findings and identify their underlying causes.

The guide provides details on the Cooperative Audit Resolution and Oversight Initiative (CAROI) and provides a concrete tool to improve programs and to deal with fiscal and programmatic challenges. Access the guide or contact Helena Sims

News from National

Awards Honor Federal Watchdogs

Politicians talk plenty about rooting out waste, fraud and abuse, but the folks who actually find the corruption enjoyed a few brief moments in the limelight Tuesday.

The nation's federal watchdogs honored 85 of their own at an awards ceremony consistent with the work ethic of many inspectors general: It started on time and lasted an hour, as promised. It featured no refreshments or souvenirs and no long-winded acceptance speeches.

Members of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE), which hosted the event at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium, said privately that keeping the event short and to the point would avoid any appearance of gloating.

But why not celebrate? Inspectors general recovered more than \$8.9 billion in federal funds in fiscal 2009 and identified \$44 billion in potential savings, more than double than in the previous year, according to the council. Watchdog investigations resulted in 5,900 successful criminal prosecutions and 4,485 suspensions or debarments of delinquent individuals or contractors, the group said. Dozens of federal inspector general offices fielded 417,349 calls to telephone tip lines and published more than 7,000 audits, evaluations and other reports.

The council's most prestigious prize, the Alexander Hamilton Award, went to a team of Defense Department auditors who investigated whether the Afghanistan Security Forces Fund was used properly. The Commerce Department Office of Inspector General was recognized for a series of reports on the planning and execution of the 2010 Census, including a report that found the U.S. Census Bureau paid temporary workers who were trained but did no work. The Treasury inspector general for tax administration was honored for a review of threats against Internal Revenue Service employees after a February plane crash at IRS offices in Austin. In all, more than 20 watchdog offices received honors at the ceremony.

H. David Kotz, inspector general for the Securities and Exchange Commission, was part of a five-member team that received an award for a nine-month investigation detailing how the agency failed to detect and stop Bernard L. Madoff's ponzi scheme, which left thousands of retirees and charities financially ruined.

Kotz and his colleagues reviewed more than 3.7 million e-mails, interviewed 140 witnesses, and spent late nights and weekends on the investigation while conducting several other unrelated probes.

"It's a great honor to have the appreciation of our peers and to be recognized for the work that we did," he said. But seeing the SEC implement changes recommended by his audits is even better.

"There've been significant changes at the SEC in the ways it does business in the enforcement and compliance side," Kotz said. "I think the SEC is in a much better position to detect fraud today than it was prior to our report." And how did Kotz and his colleagues celebrate Tuesday's big win?

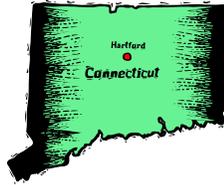
"We got back to work," he said.

Kotz was a keynote speaker at AGA's Fifth Annual Internal Control & Fraud Conference last month

New England Regional News

Meetings for the Hartford Chapter

These are generally held at 6:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month from September to May.



The meeting location is the Marco Polo Restaurant, 1250 Burnside Avenue, East Hartford, CT.

Hartford Chapter at www.agahartford.org

The Hartford Chapter is hosting a full day seminar on Friday, November 5th at the City of Hartford Conference Room Center.

Scheduled to speak are:

Ronald Marquis on The Essentials of Connecticut's Wage and Hour Law,
Peter Lewandowski on the subject of Ethics, and
Jay Fountain discussing GASB Statement No. 54

The cost for 8 CPE hours is \$100 for AGA members and \$130 for non members

Aroostook County Chapter



Chapter Executive Committee Meetings will be Held on the 2nd Thursday of each month starting August 12, 2010. General Membership Meetings will be held each quarter. A schedule to will announced and posted to the chapter website.

The Aroostook County Chapter's held their 3rd Annual Joint Symposium on Oct 27, 2010. This was their best year yet.

The Fall issue of AGA's Journal of Government Financial Management has a photo of Chapter Treasurer Kim Dembow on the cover.



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.

Maine Chapter at www.gwi.net/~aga/

On November 9, 2010 – Michael LeVert, State Economist will give an overview of the Maine economy and the challenges we face to move forward. This will also be a community service event with a food drive. Please bring goods to the November 9th meeting.

New England Region Vice President Team

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Membership Application

New Member Check here if renewing

I. Name & Mailing Address

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Prof.

male / female

Preferred Address

Name FIRST LAST MIDDLE

Address Apt/Suite#

City State/Province

Zip/Mail Code Country

Home Office Address

Business Phone Business Fax

Home Phone

E-mail

Second Address

Address Apt/Suite#

City State/Province

Zip/Mail Code Country

II. Business Information

Job Title Dept.

Organization

Employer: (Government):

- Federal State County City International
 Private Academia Student Retired Private International

Responsibility Area:

- Accounting Budgeting Financial Management Management Academia
 Contract Management Grants Management Program Management Administration Consulting
 Information Systems Retired Auditing Finance Legal
 Student Other

How did you hear about AGA?

- Friend/Co-Worker AGA/Chapter AGA Conference Employer AGA Website
 CGFM Program Internet Search Chapter Meeting AGA Publication Direct Mail

Age:

- Below 20 21 – 25 26 – 30 31 – 35 36 – 40 41 – 45 46 – 50 51 – 55 56 – 60 61 – 65 66+

Please list any other financial management or accounting associations you are a member of:

Education: Highest degree attained: Accreditation and Certificates:

III. Sponsor's Name

(if applicable) Member ID #

IV. Membership Data/Dues

Please choose a membership category and fill in the appropriate dues from the list on the back of this application. Retired? Call the AGA Customer Satisfaction Center at 800.AGA.7211 to find out about our retired membership category.

- Full Government**—\$90/year—This class of membership requires three or more years of government experience, involving the professional performance of financial management activities in an operational, administrative and/or supervisory capacity. This class is also available to individuals with similar experience outside the government who are engaged in educational activities having the same objectives as the Association, or who have made a contribution toward the improvement of government financial management.
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