

Boston Chapter Calendar of Events

Local

Nov. 12, 2008
Audio Conference
Federal Reserve
Bldg.
Boston, MA



Nov 18, 2008
Chapter Executive
Committee Meeting



Nov. 20, 2008
Fall Workshop - Auditing
in a Hostile Environment
O'Neill Federal Bldg.
Boston, MA



National

Feb. 19 - 20, 2009
National Leadership
Conference
Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, D.C.



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President's Message

On October 23rd, over 80 participants attended the Boston Chapter's annual day of "Fraud" at Lombardo's in Randolph. Mr. David Cotton, CPA, CFE, CGFM, Chairman of Cotton & Company, LLP, (www.cottoncpa.com) provided our attendees with presentations on Fraud (5 CPEs) and Ethics (2 CPEs). Mr. Cotton is an outstanding speaker and provided our participants with an excellent day of training. As usual, the luncheon provided for Lombardo's was great as well. At this event, chapter members and friends donated approximately 20 men's business suits, socks, underwear and cash for the benefit of the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans (NESHV). We sincerely thank those that donated to this worthy cause. On Veteran's Day, November 11th, volunteers from the Boston Chapter will serve lunch to the veterans at New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans to show them that we appreciate their sacrifices and service to our country.

November and December will be very busy months for the Boston Chapter. On November 12th, we will present AGA National's audio conference entitled *Understanding The Importance of Soft Controls in Improving Operations* at the Federal Reserve Bank in Boston. We hope to see you there. As always, these audio conferences are free for members (\$20 for non-members) and participants will earn 2 CPE's.

On November 20th, the Boston Chapter will host a half-day morning session at the O'Neill Federal Building in Boston on the subject of "Auditing in a Hostile Environment." We will also be serving a complete, hot breakfast buffet. Please join us for this interesting presentation. Participants will earn 4 CPEs.

December 4th will bring us to our Annual Holiday Charity Luncheon at Maggiano's Little Italy in Boston. If you've never been to Maggiano's and have always wanted to try it, now is the time. The food is fabulous, we have a great time, and money is raised for a great cause. Once again, the chapter has selected Christmas in the City as the charity that will benefit from our raffles at this luncheon. Last year, the Chapter was able to donate \$1,000 to Christmas in the City through the luncheon and we have some great prizes available for the raffles this year.

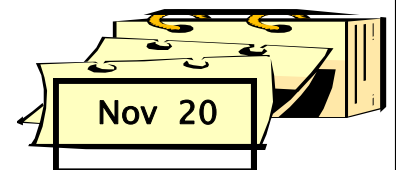
Hope to see you all at our upcoming events. Bring a friend!

Kim Rapoza

Save the Date!

Fall Workshop - Auditing in a Hostile Environment
O'Neill Federal Building, Boston, MA

To register please contact Howard Olsher, CGFM at
Howard.Olsher@sao.state.ma.us or via phone at 617-727-6200.



Calendar of Events Program Year 2008 - 2009

September 10, 2008

Audio Conference - Fraud Prevention & Detecting
Federal Reserve Building, Boston, MA
2 CPEs

September 18, 2008

Chapter Lunch Meeting - Transportation Issues
The Harp Restaurant, Boston, MA
1 CPE

October 23, 2008

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

November 12, 2008

Audio Conference - Internal Controls
Federal Reserve Building, Boston, MA
2 CPEs

November 20, 2008

**Fall Workshop - Auditing in a
Hostile Environment**
O'Neill Federal Bldg., Boston, MA
4 CPEs

December 4, 2008

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

January 15, 2009

Winter Seminar - A-133 / Cost Allocation
Volpe Transportation Building, Cambridge, MA
7 CPEs

February 11, 2009

Audio Conference - Fraud
Federal Reserve Building, Boston, MA
2 CPEs

March 10, 2009

Regional Professional Development Conference
Bentley College, Waltham, MA
8 CPEs

April 8, 2009

Audio Conference - Auditing
Federal Reserve Building, Boston, MA
2 CPEs

April 16, 2009

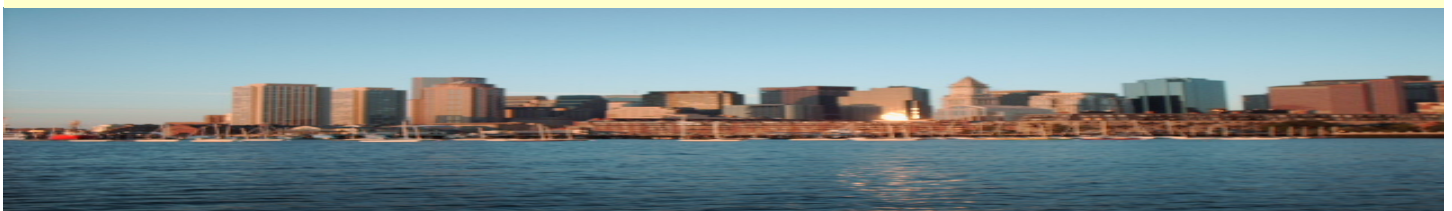
Spring Workshop
JFK Federal Building
4 CPEs

May 13, 2009

Audio Conference - Ethics
Federal Reserve Building, Boston, MA
2 CPEs

May 2009

**Chapter End of Year
Appreciation Dinner**
Boston Museum of Science
Boston, MA



Boston Chapter AGA Educational Opportunity Audio Conference

“Understanding the Importance of Soft Controls in Improving Operation”

Date: Nov. 12, 2008

Location: Federal Reserve Building
Boston, MA, Room AVI

Registration: 1:30

Session: 2:00 - 4:00

CPEs: 2 Will Be Awarded

Cost: Members Free, Non-Members \$20

Registrations due by 11/10/08, To register please contact Howard Olsher, CGFM at Howard.Olsher @ sao.state.ma.us or via phone at 617-727-6200 or online at www.aga-boston-chapter.org.

AGA, in conjunction with the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT) and the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA) is pleased to announce a new topic to our audio conference schedule – the role that *Soft Internal Controls* plays in an organization.

View “soft controls” in a way that goes beyond current accepted models. Hear why soft controls are a required component of effective management and what has made them so difficult to implement. Learn how certain research on employee motivation suggests using soft controls to recognize opportunities to improve organization performance. Discover why “soft controls” may be a misnomer and explore the concept of “behavioral controls” as a better way to detect and prevent the opportunity for fraud to occur.

To share their practical experiences in auditing and teaching about the role of soft internal controls is **Mark B. Mitchell, MBA, CGFM, CIA**, Audit Director, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, and **Michael L. Piazza, MBA**, Director of Program Development and Training for the Institute of Internal Controls.

Please join us for two hours of lively discussion about this important and timely topic.

Boston Chapter AGA Educational Opportunity Fall Workshop

“Auditing in a Hostile Environment / OIG Fraud Awareness Program / ??? DFAS

Date: Nov. 20, 2008

Location: O’Neill Federal Building
Boston, MA,

Registration: 8:00 - 8:30 (inc. breakfast)

Session: 8:30 - 12:30

CPEs: 4 Will Be Awarded

Cost: Members \$40, Non-Members \$60

Registrations due by 11/17/08, To register please contact Howard Olsher, CGFM at Howard.Olsher @ sao.state.ma.us or via phone at 617-727-6200 or online at www.aga-boston-chapter.org.

This session will have a number of presenters discussing a variety of issues and situations that they have encountered regarding some situations that most of us would not consider to be the “norm”.

Ron Meldonian of DCAA is scheduled to present a session titled “Auditing in a Hostile Environment” namely Iraq;

Peter Babachicos and **Ted Doherty**, US DOT are going to discuss the OIG Fraud Awareness Program and their presentation will include the Big Dig investigative work plus Hurricane Katrina.

Ron Cox, CGFM of DFAS is scheduled to discuss issues and case studies relating to some of DFAS’s work with our military.

We hope that you can join us for what should be another excellent training program.

The plans for this meeting are to serve a full breakfast! Menu should include Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Homefries, Assortment of muffins, Danish, scones, homemade breads and bagels, fruit salad, coffee, tea, juice and water.



Boston Chapter Education Recap

On October 23, 2008 over 80 Boston AGA Chapter Members and guests attended the our Fall Seminar at Lombardo's in Randolph.

The seminar had two different sessions discussing the "many faces of fraud" and ethics.

Mr. David Cotton, CPA, CFE, CGFM, Chairman of Cotton & Company, LLP, (www.cottoncpa.com) provided our attendees with presentations on Fraud (5 CPEs) and Ethics (2 CPEs). Mr. Cotton showed us why he is in such demand nationally as a speaker and provided our participants with an excellent day of training.

Mr. Cotton provided us with case studies, learning tools and also provided us with some "creative" balance sheet terminology and a variety of trivia related to "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly".

Additionally, this was a community service event for the Chapter as we collected suits, shirts, socks and other clothing items for New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans (NESHV). We thank everyone who donated to this very worthy endeavor.



Pictured are our presenter, David Cotton, CPA, CGFM and Boston Chapter President Kim Rapoza, CGFM, CPA



Just a thought

The purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.

Criticism wouldn't be so hard to take if it weren't so often right.

Warning label on children's cough medicine: "Do not drive or operate heavy machinery."

Experience is what you get while you are looking for something else.

A computer's attention span is as long as its power cord.

Never mess up an apology with an excuse.

These days you know you're getting older when half of the stuff in your shopping cart says, "For fast relief."

How do some college students sort their laundry? "Filthy" and "Filthy but wearable."

It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.

A bee is never as busy as it seems, it just can't buzz any slower.

And finally, did you know that Pulitzer Prize winner William Faulkner couldn't sell his works. To make the rent he was allegedly a rum runner.



Annual Holiday Luncheon and Charity Raffle
Thursday, December 4, 2008
at Maggiano's Little Italy, Boston, MA

The Association of Government Accountants - Boston Chapter is pleased to announce its annual Charity Raffle for the benefit of *Christmas in the City*. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

We offer a special thank you to the local businesses and organizations for their donations. We ask our members and friends to support them. The following is a list of raffle items donated as of October 25th:

- Certificate for a free bottle of wine from the Cape Cod Winery (available at the East Falmouth winery) – est. value \$15
- Four free admission passes to the Children's Museum – est. value \$40
- Two \$25 gift certificates to The Elephant and Castle
- Four "two admissions for the price of one" coupons to the JFK Library – est. value \$40
- Four free tickets to a Lowell Devils 2008 – 2009 home game, autographed banner and hockey puck – est. value \$72
- One round of golf for two persons donated by the Middleton Golf Course (weekday only) – est. value \$44
- Two free general admission passes to the Museum of Fine Arts – est. value \$34
- Four free Fidelity Investments Clubhouse tickets to any 2009 stand alone New England Revolution home match (excluding LA Galaxy match) – est. value \$260
- Four general admission tickets to the Peabody Essex Museum – est. value \$60
- Two vouchers to the Plimoth Plantation – est. value \$56
- Two free passes to the Roger Williams Park Zoo – est. value \$24
- Four complimentary passes to the Stone Zoo or Franklin Park Zoo (donated by Zoo New England) – est. value \$48

And the following items have been donated by AGA – Boston Chapter members:

- Handmade Candy Wreath
- Collection of Comic Books
- \$50 Outback Gift Card
- \$25 Ruby Tuesday Gift Card
- Two World Time Calculators

www.aga-boston-chapter.org

Community Service Notes

Homeless Veterans Projects November 11, 2008



The veterans of this country have proudly served us and now we have an opportunity to proudly serve the veterans lunch. We need volunteers to serve lunch on Veterans' Day to the guests of the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans in Boston.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact a member of the community service committee.

On Oct 23, 2008 at our last chapter sponsored Community Service Event at Lombardo's we had a combination "socks collection" and "suit collection" This annual collection was for the guests of the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans. Members brought new socks, new underwear or new or slightly used men's suits or business wear to Lombardo's. A collection box was set up to accept donations on the training day. These items were donated to the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans just before the cold weather sets in.



Third Annual National Community Service Project Set for April 27-May 1, 2009

Community service and helping those who are less fortunate than ourselves is an important part of what AGA is about. The dates for our Third Annual National Community Service project are April 27-May 1, 2009, again sandwiched between the two weekends of the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festivals. We will seek lodging in the beautiful, new University of New Orleans dormitory (two-bedroom, furnished apartments) with a rate of only about \$20 per night, per person.

Due to popular demand, we have created a second opportunity next year to experience what it's like to work with Habitat for Humanity in New Orleans. Since AGA's National PDC is in New Orleans June 21-24, 2009, we will also have a one-day community service event with Habitat on Thursday, June 25, the day after the PDC ends. For this event, we will seek to extend AGA's special hotel rate to include this extra night.

We hope you will pencil in these dates on your calendar and join us for some of the fun!

Member News

Boston Chapter member **Ernest Almonte, CPA, CGFM**, the Auditor General of the State of Rhode Island, has just started a one year term as the Chairman of the AICPA Board of Directors.

He is the first member from government to serve as the AICPA chairman.

We congratulate Ernie on his historic accomplishment!





CGFM NEWS

CGFM Chapter Promotion

Need an extra incentive to apply for the CGFM Program?

Here it is:

From September 1 until November 30, 2008 AGA will give a rebate of \$20 for CGFM applications received with the assistance of AGA chapters.

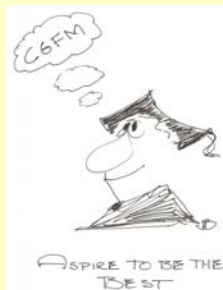
In order to receive a \$20 rebate,

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 November 30, 2008.

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 your chapter on the application form in order to receive the rebate.
- It is preferable that the applications are submitted by the applicants themselves and not by the chapter. The applicant does not have to be a chapter member in order to receive the rebate.



Job Opportunity

Comptroller Town of Natick

The Town of Natick, a progressive and diverse community of 32,170, seeks a highly responsible and experienced professional for the position of Comptroller; appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Responsibilities include financial monitoring of a \$110 million budget, maintaining comprehensive financial records, generating required periodic reports, and engaging in other financial management tasks. Requires thorough knowledge of GAAP, Mass. General Laws relating to finance, UMAS, GASB, and MUNIS, municipal accounting procedures as well as strong interpersonal and communication skills.

Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance, or Public/Business Administration and at least five years progressively responsible experience in municipal accounting or auditing including supervisory responsibilities. Advanced degree is preferred as well as certification or ability to be certified as a Massachusetts Municipal Accountant. Salary range is \$71,994 to \$95,328, DOQ, plus excellent benefits. Full position description available at 'www.natickma.org' under employment opportunities.

Resume and cover letter or town application by November 21, 2008 to: Comptroller Search, Town Administrator's Office, Town Hall, 13 East Central Street, Natick, MA 01760. email: mflaming@natickma.org or fax 508-647-6401. Position open until filled. Equal Opportunity Employer.



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



Pauline McGee
KPMG

Nichole Valois
*Massachusetts Office of
the State Treasurer*

Joanne Bouzerdan
Massachusetts Operational Services Division

Sophie Yu
Mass Port

Go for Growth! Membership Update

The Boston Chapter membership includes:

- 234 Active Members
- 13 New Members
- 0 Members Transferred In
- 0 Members Transferred Out
- 29 Suspended Members

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!



Member News

Kathy Cushing and Michael Gagan

recently participated in the 10th Annual Leukemia & Lymphoma Walk held at Assumption College in Worcester on October 19, 2008. Together they raised a combined \$250 for the worthy cause.

The Boston Chapter recognizes and thanks the following new member sponsors since May 2008:

- Rachel D. Trant 2
- David A. LeBlanc, CGFM... 2
- Joseph Valchuis 1
- Howard Olsher, CGFM 2
- Kathleen Cushing, CGFM 2
- Joanne St. Pierre 1

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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 April 1st and concludes on March 31st.

Boston Chapter credits as of October 31, 2008 are:

Categories	Maximum Credits	Credits Earned	Credits Allowed	% of Avail
Leadership, Planning & Participation	3,000	3,725	3,000	100%
Education & Professional Development	4,000	2,400	2,400	60%
Certification	4,000	2,025	2,025	51%
Communications	3,000	4,841	3,000	100%
Membership	3,000	4,000	3,000	100%
Early Career	2,000	700	700	34%
Community Service	2,000	6,550	2,000	100%
Awards	1,000	5,000	1,000	100%
Total	22,000	29,241	17,125	78%

Boston Chapter Balance Sheet October 31, 2008

Assets

Cash	
Checking Account	\$ 4,004
Savings Account	12,230
Certificates of Deposit	<u>13,549</u>
Total Cash	\$29,783
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>\$ 2,970</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$32,753</u>

Liabilities and Fund Balance

Accounts Payable	\$ 0
Current Fund Balance	<u>32,753</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$32,753</u>

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 Director of Education - Julia Burns, CGFM at Julia.Burns@osc.state.ma.us

November Quote

"If "con" is the opposite of "pro" then what is the opposite of progress."

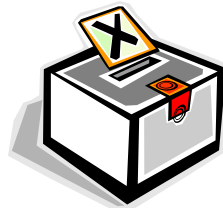
Will Rodgers

Don't Forget!

Tuesday, November 4th is Election day.

Most polls are open from 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM.

Check with your City or Town Hall.



SUDOKU ANSWER

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



TRIVIA QUESTION!

During what Presidential administration was the term "Lobbyist" first used?

Answer found elsewhere in the newsletter.

Websites of Interest

- American Society for Public Admin (ASPA) www.aspanet.org
- MA Chapter of ASPA www.massaspa.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 Aroostook County Chapter www.agaarostookcounty.org
- AGA Boston Chapter www.aga-boston-chapter.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
- Information Systems Audit & Control Association www.isaca.org
- 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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CEC Meeting Highlights

The Boston Chapter of the AGA Executive Committee met on October 14, 2008. The following items were discussed:

- The reports from the various committees were read and accepted.
- Education – It was voted to eliminate the February 12th Winter Workshop at the Federal Reserve Bank due to the current economic climate. Instead we will present a speaker for 1 hour before the audio conference on February 11th.
- CGFM – We are working towards making March CGFM month in all of New England. We have one person who is considering joining AGA and may take the CGFM exams.
- Planning – We will be having a full, hot breakfast at our November 20th training at the O'Neill Building.
- Annual Appreciation Dinner – Kim Rapoza and Brenda Delasanta will be touring the facilities at the Museum of Science to see whether our annual appreciation dinner could be held in this location. Brenda Delasanta presented preliminary data on cost which will be refined.
- Membership – The chapter has received the recruitment scholarship of \$265 from AGA National. We will discuss ways to enhance our membership with these dollars.
- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 2008.



Trivia Answer

Ulysses S. Grant

Across from the White House was a hotel restaurant frequented by the President, and he was regularly approached by special interest groups in the lobby.

Mathematical / Logic Exercise

Step 1

Write down any whole number from 1 to 9.

Step 2

Subtract five from the number in step 1. (if the resulting number is less than zero enter it as a negative number.

Step 3

Multiply the number in step 2 by 3.

Step 4

Square the number in step 3 (multiply by itself).

Step 5

Add the digits in the number in step 4 (e.g. if your number is 64 you should add $6+4=10$).

Step 6

If the number in step 5 is five or greater, subtract five from it. If the number is less than five, add four to it.

Step 7

Using the formula $a=1$, $b=2$, $c=3$ etc. write down the letter of the alphabet that agrees with the number in Step 6.

Step 8

Write the name of a country that starts with the letter in step 7.

Step 9

Look at the second letter of your country in step 8. Write down the name of a mammal that starts with the second letter of your country.

Step 10

What is the primary color of the mammal that you named in step 9?

Country: _____

Mammal: _____

Color: _____

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News from National

Call for National Awards Nominations

Who do you know that deserves special recognition for contributions to our field? Please help us acknowledge financial professionals at the federal, state and local level and private sector who are leading the way. (You might even consider nominating yourself.) Note that nominees do not have to be AGA members.

The federal leadership awards include the Distinguished Federal Leadership Award, the Elmer Staats Award and the Andy Barr Award. The state and local leadership awards are the Excellence in Government Leadership Award, the William R. Snodgrass Distinguished Leadership Award, the Distinguished Local Government Leadership Award, and the Private Sector Financial Excellence Award.

These awards will be presented at AGA's Seventh Annual National Leadership Conference, set for **Feb. 19–20, 2009** in Washington, D.C. Submit your nominations today. Contact Michiyo Wheeler or 703.684.6931, ext. 321, with questions.

Sixteen Universities to Participate in AGA's Second Government Finance Case Challenge



We are happy to report that AGA received a great deal of interest in the case challenge. New schools are registered to participate in this year's challenge while other schools will be using the case as a teaching example in accounting classes.

Many thanks to the AGA members and chapters that encouraged their local universities to participate. This case challenge continues to serve as a great way to introduce undergraduate students to the challenges and the possibilities that are connected to a career in the government financial management profession.

The case was delivered to our registered teams in mid October. The two finalist teams will be announced on Monday, Nov. 24. Stay tuned!

AGA Announces Four New Courses

Four new AGA-sponsored courses are designed to help financial managers and auditors add value to government performance. The courses are presented in cooperation with The Auditor Roles in Performance Measurement Project Team of The Institute of Internal Auditors, which developed the courses under a grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. These courses can be customized to an organization's needs, to immerse participants in high-value audit skills and to provide additional ways to apply them. The four courses include:

A New Service Model: Auditor Roles in Government Performance Measurement

Assessing the Reliability and Relevance of Performance Information

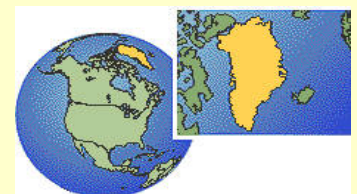
Assessing the Quality of Performance Information and Performance Reports

Auditing Performance Management Systems

Read more details about these and other AGA-sponsored training courses at www.agacgfm.org, or contact AGA Director of Education Joe Jozefczyk at 800.AGA.7211, ext. 307.

Mathematical / Logic Exercise Response

How many of you came up with a grey elephant from Denmark?



Around the New England Region

Aroostook County Chapter

Aroostook County Chapter held their first Professional Developmental Conference on October 16, 2008. This full day of training was a joint session with the American Society of Military Comptroller's (ASMC).

The title of the conference was "*Serving America Through Fiscal Responsibility*". The session had many quality speakers including: Terri McKay, Director of the Defense Finance & Accounting Service, Bobby Derrick, CGFM, Past National President of AGA, Robert Hale, Executive Director of the American Society of Military Comptroller's and Dave Weinberg, Senior Associate with Booz Allen.

The session awarded eight CPE's and a great buffet lunch prepared by the local members of the Job Corps Culinary program.

Congratulations to the Aroostook County AGA training committee and the ASMC on an excellent program for your members and guests.

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.

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 Executive Committee (CEC) Meetings

Held once each month, typically following the Chapter Meetings They are held as needed during the summer months. Minutes will be posted in the following month's newsletter. Maine Chapter at www.gwi.net/~aga/

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Pictured are (top row) Aroostook County Chapter President Elect Kristi Bell and AGA Past National President Bobby Derrick, CGFM (bottom row) Chapter President Colette Cormier, Chapter Secretary Christy Greene and Regional Vice President for New England Dave LeBlanc, CGFM



Membership Application

New Member Check here if renewing

I. Name & Mailing Address

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Prof.

male / female

Preferred Address

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Job Title Dept.

Organization

Employer: (Government):

- Federal State County City International
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Responsibility Area:

- Accounting Budgeting Financial Management Management Academia
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