

This message is being sent to AGA Corporate Partner members...

Good Afternoon,

And Happy Friday! I have a couple of important items to share with you today:

- **NEW CPAG Dinners Announced**
- **NEW Performance Management Conference – Sponsorships Available!**
- **PDC06 Technical Committee Looking for Members**
- **Private Sector Awards – Nominations Due October 28th**

NEW Access Dinners Announced!

The monthly dinners are an exclusive opportunity for AGA Corporate Partners to come together in an informal setting and meet with high-level government accountability professionals, such as a federal agency Chief Financial Officer. This peer-to-peer intimate setting allows for sharing with the invited guest as well as with the other Partners in attendance.

November 8, 2005

Nikki Tinsley – Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency

December 6, 2005

Mark Easton - Director of Financial Management, Department of the Navy

As a reminder, each event lasts for three hours – 6:15-9:15pm. **One important thing to remember – there is NO selling at these events.** The dinners are held at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Arlington, Virginia (Pentagon City Mall). The cost is \$150 per participant, which covers cocktails, dinner and valet parking.

If you are interested in participating in a dinner, please complete the Dinner Reservation Form and submit it to me at sfritzlen@agacgfm.org. Each dinner is limited to fifteen Corporate Partners – **only one per Corporate Partner organization**. Selections for each dinner are based on a first-come first served basis **AND** based on previous attendance at dinners. Once the attendees are selected from the returned Reservation Forms, I will notify those who are confirmed for a seat and those who are placed on the waiting list.

Performance Management Conference – Sponsorships Available

Through AGA's Certificate of Excellence Programs, AGA is raising the bar for reporting performance. AGA encourages regular issuance of high-quality, user-friendly performance reports. At the federal level, the program is called the Certificate of Excellence in Accountability Reporting (CEAR) and at the state and local level the program is called Service Efforts and Accomplishments (SEA).

The National Performance Management Conference, to be held November 14-15, 2005 in Portland, Oregon, stems out of our efforts at the state and local level. This conference serves as a capstone to the 2004 SEA Program as we recognize all program participants, highlight those SEA reports receiving a Certificate of Achievement and kick off the 2005 cycle. The conference will provide a forum to network, discuss and learn from each other's efforts on preparing easily

understandable reports; developing and maintaining a performance measurement system; and making reports more useful to citizens and management.

This is a brand **NEW** conference! We are expecting a crowd of about 200 financial managers from state and local governments. As an AGA Corporate Partner, there are many opportunities to support this new event! Get in on the ground floor of this new conference! Please see the attached pdf for sponsorship information.

2006 PDC Technical Committee Looking for A Few Good Women and Men!

We are currently accepting requests from our members to serve on the 54th Annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition Technical Committee (PDC). The primary responsibility of the Technical Committee is to develop the educational program, decide topics and contact potential speakers to participate in the program.

What is the time commitment? Committee members participate in monthly calls and coordinate conference sessions. Although it involves a great deal of work and commitment, planning the PDC is a very rewarding experience for all those involved.

How Will The Committee Be Selected? To promote diversity in its make up, the Technical Committee is limited to one person from any given organization. Please e-mail Ada Phillips, aphillips@agacgfm.org, by **Friday, September 30**, with the name, title, mailing address, phone, fax and e-mail of the organization representative you wish to nominate for the committee.

Please note: We strive to include a diverse mix of individuals from all levels of government and the private sector, including both experienced and new members. Because the committee is limited to approximately 35 people, unfortunately, we are unable to accept all requests to serve.

In case we are unable to include your organization on the PDC 2006 committee, please let us know if you are interested in serving on the technical committee for our new Fraud Conference (Sept. 2006) or any other future technical committees.

The first PDC Technical Committee will be held from 1:30 – 3:30 on Monday, October 17. We will contact committee members directly to provide more information.

Wait! Can I propose a session without being a member of the Technical Committee?

Yes. AGA is looking for engaging speakers, cutting-edge ideas, and new and innovative presentations relevant to the profession. You may participate on the conference program, without being a member of the Technical Committee. If you have a session you would like to propose, please e-mail Ada Phillips, aphillips@agacgfm.org, with the topic, a brief summary and any speakers to be considered, and we will contact you.

Proposals should be submitted by October 21; notification will be made by November 25, 2005.

Call for Private Sector National Awards Nominations Due October 28, 2005

AGA honors financial professionals in the private sector, in addition to the federal, state and local levels, who deserve special recognition for outstanding contributions to the government financial management field.

AGA is looking for deserving nominees to be honored at its National Leadership Conference early next year. The deadline to submit a nominee is October 28, 2005. Please help AGA acknowledge financial professionals in the private sector who are leading the way! (You might even consider nominating yourself.) Nominees do not need to be AGA members.

Awards will be presented at AGA's [Fourth Annual National Leadership Conference](#), February 2-3, 2006 in Washington, D.C. Submit your nominations today!

Private Sector Leadership Awards:

- [Andy Barr Award \(Word version\)](#) - Formally recognizes the cumulative achievements of private sector individuals who throughout their career have served as a role model for others and who have consistently exhibited the highest personal and professional standards.
- [Private Sector Financial Excellence Award \(Word version\)](#) - Recognizes the cumulative achievements of private sector professionals who throughout their careers have served as a role model for others and have consistently exhibited personal and professional standards.

National Awards Website: www.agacgfm.org/membership/awards/. For more information contact Rosanna Ortiz at rortiz@agacgfm.org or call 800.AGA.7211, ext 309.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks and have a great weekend!

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