



# AGA Inland Empire Chapter

## THE BOTTOM LINE

Monthly Newsletter for the Association of Government Accountants - Inland Empire

October 2019 Edition



**Upcoming PDM Luncheon**  
**Oct. 9, 2019 11:30 - 1:00 pm**  
**Topic: GIS (Geographic Info Systems)**  
**Presenters: Jan Cunningham - Esri**  
**Account Manager**  
**Brent Rolf - SBC ISD**  
**Systems Development**  
**Team Leader**

**Make sure to join us for our latest Professional Development Meeting!**

**Jan Cunningham** is an **Account Manager** with **Esri**, focused on local gov't accounts in Southern California & Nevada. She works with city, county and regional decision makers across government domains (IT, Planning, Land Records, Public Safety, Social Services, etc.). Jan's background includes 11 years with Esri, and 22 years in the lumber industry.

**Brent Rolf** obtained his B.S. in Geography when he graduated from the University of California, Riverside (UCR) in 1984 with an emphasis in physical geography.

Brent began his County career with the Planning Dept. in 1985 as a Geoprocessing Technician. In 1987 he transferred to the **County's Geographic Information Management System (GIMS)**. This group has the responsibility of coordinating GIS activities for all County Departments. In 1994 he became the **Manager of GIMS** and held this position until 2014.

In 2014 he became the **Systems Development Team Leader** for the GIS Team within the Information Services Dept. His team is responsible for managing the County's Enterprise GIS platform to facilitate departmental access to the County's **ESRI GIS resources**. The team is also responsible for the development of GIS applications that support a wide array of County business needs.

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### **Cost**

- \$25 - Members
- \$30 - Non-Members
- \$10 - Student Member
- \$14 - Student Non-Member

Make checks payable to **AGA**

RSVP by Oct. 4 @ 11 am  
by emailing [Anaim Garibay](mailto:Anaim.Garibay@agacgfm.org)

### **Location**

ATC - 268 W. Hospitality Ln.  
1st Floor Conf. Room A & B  
Lunch: Chef's Choice

# President's Message

Greetings, AGA Inland Empire Chapter Family:

The 2019-20 AGA Program year started off on the right foot! Linda Santillano presented on the very important subject of Property Tax. It was fun to learn "Where Our Tax Dollars Go". Just when you think you know everything, you learn something new and that was the case for me during Linda's presentation. Thank you, Linda!

Make sure to register for [October's Professional Development Meeting](#) to learn about GIS and how the County is collaborating with ESRI to leverage this technology.



We would like to highlight member promotions and other important life events in our next newsletter to get to know our members better and encourage a sense of community. Please email me anything of note so it may be showcased. We would also love to share your Halloween costume pictures (no naughty nurses, though). Don't be shy!

Please remember to nominate an AGA member for the [Member of the Quarter Award](#). Nominations can be submitted to any AGA Board Member via e-mail.

Our Past President, Ali Chemkhi, and I would like to pursue the [Certified Government Financial Manager \(CGFM\)](#) certificate this year and are looking for other members to join. We are hoping to start a study group. Please let us know if you are interested.

You may be eligible to apply for a [CGFM scholarship](#) through our Chapter to defray some of the preparation, exam, and certification costs. If interested, please contact Paul Chapman, CGFM Chair, for additional details.

Please continue sharing ideas, feedback, speaker interest, topic interest, and any other input you think is pertinent to the success of the Chapter.

**Above:** The [Platinum Chapter Recognition Award](#) that Ali Chemkhi was presented with on behalf of the chapter at the 2019 PDT by AGA National. Thank you to all of our members for helping AGA-IE earn this prestigious award!



Diana Atkeson, AGA-IE President

## October Days of Note

### 4th - Nat'l Body Language Day

Celebrate the significance of nonverbal communication in your life...the messages you don't realize you're sending...from a smile to a shoulder shrug, your body is revealing your emotions and thoughts.

### 9th - Nat'l Bring Your Teddy Bear to Work/School Day

This is a day to spend with your cuddly friend. Teddy will brighten up your day and bring a feeling of celebration to your office or classroom just by being there. Give Teddy a hug and see how much better he makes you feel.

### 17th - National Get Smart About Credit Day

A campaign where volunteer bankers help counsel young people on responsible credit habits. The importance of sound financial management is something that should be taught at a young age and learning healthy credit habits while at the same time how to avoid bad credit habits can be one of the most valuable lessons.

### 24th - National Food Day

One goal is to help people to "Eat Real", united by a vision of food that can be healthy, affordable, and produced with care.

- [www.NationalDayCalendar.com](http://www.NationalDayCalendar.com)

# School Supplies Drive

Please join us & participate in this month's community service event.

Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County (CAPSBC) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit serving San Bernardino County since 1965. CAPSBC works with our low-income communities by supporting, advocating for, and empowering low-income residents to achieve self-reliance and economic stability.

School supplies can be given to any CEC member listed below or donated at the October 9th PDM. Thank you for your support!



Visit us on the web at <https://www.agacgfm.org/InlandEmpire> for additional information and resources

## Chapter Leadership

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## 2019-2020 Program Year

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## Not-So-Current Events

October 1, 1971

Disney World opened in Orlando, FL.

October 5, 1921

The World Series was broadcast on radio for the first time.

October 11, 1984

Space Shuttle Challenger astronaut Kathryn Sullivan became the first American woman to walk in space.

October 13, 1775

The U.S. Continental Navy was created.

October 14, 1964

Martin Luther King Jr. was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

October 15, 1951

"I Love Lucy" premiered on television.

October 17, 1931

Mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion.

October 19, 1781

The Revolutionary War ended.

October 24, 1901

Anna Taylor became the 1st person to survive going over Niagara Falls in a barrel.

October 28, 1886

France presented the United States with the Statue of Liberty.

October 29, 1929

The New York Stock Exchange crashed on what came to be known as "Black Tuesday", starting the Great Depression.

The historical events noted above were obtained from [www.holidayinsights.com](http://www.holidayinsights.com).

This column is only intended to provide approximate historical perspective as the validity of the dates and events have not been verified.



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## Upcoming All-Day Seminar

### Internal Controls & Fraud

#### Featured Morning and Afternoon Speaker:

Mr. Charles Hester, CGFM, CPA, CFF, FCPA, CFE, CFIP

**November 13, 2019**

**8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Earn 9 hours of CPE credits**

**Members - \$129 Non-Members - \$179**



Charles (Chuck) Hester, Sr. served as the Western District Inspector General and Audit Manager for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) until his retirement in 1995. Chuck is currently an instructor for various organizations and has served as a Special Consultant in numerous capacities.

Chuck is a member of various professional auditing and accounting organizations and has written several articles that have been published in professional journals.

Price of the Seminar includes all materials, continental breakfast, lunch, and refreshments throughout the day.

**No show, No refunds, No exceptions.**

More details to come via email...

*Advancing Government Accountability*



A big thank you to Linda Santillano for her great presentation on where our property tax dollars go.

Linda Santillano  
Property Tax Chief Deputy  
&  
Diana Atkeson  
AGA-IE President

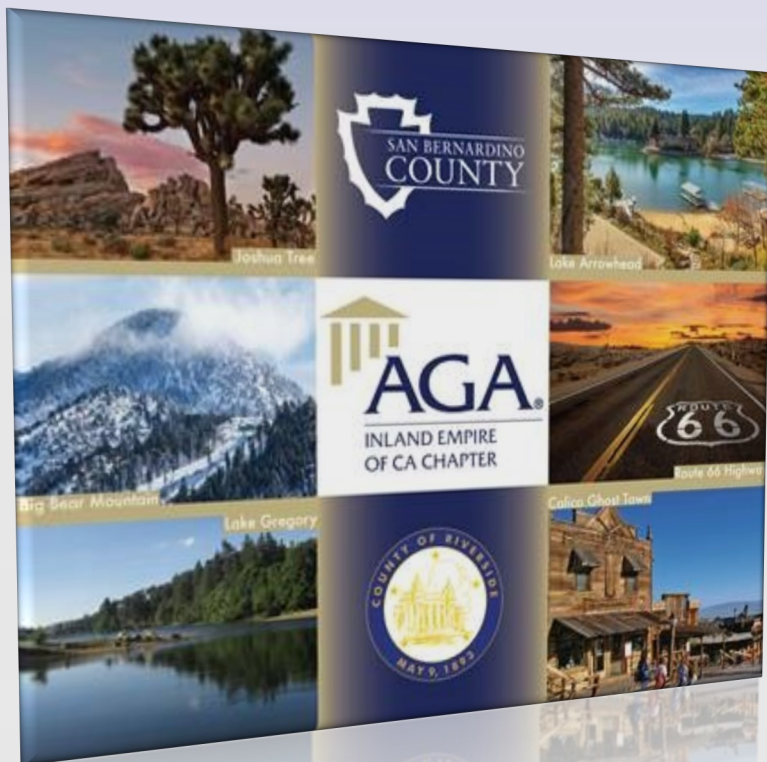


NOTABLE and quotable



While I love being able to attend events that provide CPE for my professional designations, AGA has provided a great opportunity for me to develop leadership skills within the chapter, and meet others that I might not have had a professional relationship with otherwise.

Will Kays, CPA, CMA  
Accountant, Defense Finance & Accounting Service;  
AGA Greater Columbus Chapter



**Above:** As you may recall from the June 19, 2019 issue of Leadership Matters, we wanted to make sure that our chapter, the Inland Empire of CA Chapter, was proudly represented on "The Road to Success" (a special display promoting PDT 2020).

Each chapter was asked to bring at least one bumper sticker that represented or promoted their geographic area. This was our contribution at the National Council of Chapters (NCC) meeting held on July 21, 2019.

## It's Better to Beta!

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"I found this in the hall. Call Accounting and find out if they've misplaced a decimal point again."

# CEC Meeting Minutes for August 27, 2019

Location:	Maki Yaki @ 25227 Redlands Blvd, Loma Linda CA	Page 1 of 2
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Absent:	Paul Chapman, Claudia Cisneros, Evelyn Bobbitt, Norma Marchan, Linda Tanner, David Bobbitt	



Diana Atkeson welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 11:50am.

## READING/APPROVAL OF JUNE 27, 2019 MINUTES:

A motion was taken to approve minutes from June 27, 2019. Anaim moved first to approve the minutes; Ali seconded the approval motion.

## NEW BUSINESS:

### Budget and Bank Statements - Changing Information at the Bank - Credit Card

Diana emailed Sydnie to schedule a time to go to the bank with Paul Chapman, 2019-20 Treasurer, to add him to the bank account and remove Sydnie.

Diana introduced Eric Patrick and Jenny Yang new AGA CEC members to the board.

Diana states Inland Empire Chapter was awarded the 2018-2019 Platinum Chapter Award and thanked the board for all their hard work in the program year.

## FY 19/20 PROGRAM YEAR:

Diana would like the CEC Board to involve the members to help more with the AGA meetings and events.

Diana provided a tentative plan for speakers for the 2019-2020 program year.

Diana asked the board for ideas on speakers and ideas for the 2019-20 AGA year and reminded the members full day speaker's classes must be registered in order for members to receive CPE credits for the classes.

January PDM is reserved for tax updates.

May PDM has been confirmed with Erica and Vanessa to speak on COWCAP. Board also suggested they speak on ICRP.

Other ideas for PDM's and speakers included budget panel, SBCTA speakers, Dr. Johnson for Forensic Accounting, disaster recovery topics and Supervisor Rowe.

## Open Comments/Ideas for Next Year:

Ali suggested using Tonya from Riverside County as a full day speaker.

Free PDM suggested for member writing an article that is published.

Diana gave the okay to order CGFM test bank for the upcoming year.

## Meet the Governments:

Diana to check for spring breaks with the local colleges to come up with a date for Meet the Governments this year. The 2019-2020 Committee will be:

May, Tobi, Shay, Jenny, Dr. Yang, Anaim (can attend day of), Ali



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## CEC Updates:

NCC: Ali Chemkhi

Ali attended the PDT in New Orleans July 2019, he learned a lot and got some great ideas from the event.

Offering a 1 yr. membership scholarship to someone who joins the CEC board; AGA chapter host 2-3 day PDT conferences; Possible Case challenge with CSUSB students; Mentoring program with AGA peers in the CEC.

Membership Chair: Anaim Garibay

Anaim states there are 115 members. She volunteered to speak at CSUSB and UCR.

Community Service: Anaim Garibay

Shay sent Anaim the list of community service from the prior years, she will develop a plan for the upcoming FY by next meeting.

Hospitality Chair: Jenny Yang/ Linda Tanner:

Diana to send Jenny the list and her role as Hospitality Chair.

Anaim will do the PDM receipts and collect monies. Shay will act as backup.

Education Chair: Dr. Taewon Yang:

Dr. Yang would like someone from the CEC to attend the Meet the Firms on Oct 1.

Dr. Yang states the Meet the Governments was a success and several students secured internships with the County.

CSUSB is changing to semester system and Dr. Yang would like the CEC boards help to create a certificated program with Government class and CGFM certification through the College of Extended learning. Need qualified teacher.

Awards Chair: Marlyn Catalon/ Evelyn Bobbitt:

Awards will be Qtrly this year, Marlyn will purchase two Starbucks a month for the monthly raffles and prepare the sponsorship letters to go out next month.

Newsletter Editor/Accountability Chair: Eric Patrick

Eric states he will put together a tentative newsletter by early next week.

Eric and has accepted the role of Accountably Chair to put together the CCR.

Secretary: Shay Younger:

Shay will help with events as needed and assist with Meet the Governments.

## Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.

## Mandatory Motivation

### You are valuable!

A popular speaker started off a seminar by holding up a \$20 bill. A crowd of 200 had gathered to hear him speak. He asked, "Who would like this \$20 bill?"

200 hands went up.

He said, "I am going to give this \$20 to one of you but first, let me do this." He crumpled the bill up.

He then asked, "Who still wants it?"

All 200 hands were still raised.

"Well," he replied, "What if I do this?" Then he dropped the bill on the ground and stomped on it with his shoes.

All the hands still went up.

"My friends, I have just showed you a very important lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. Many times in our lives, life crumples us and grinds us into the dirt. We make bad decisions or deal with poor circumstances. We feel worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value. You are special – Don't ever forget it!

The above story was obtained from: [livin3.com](http://livin3.com)



## Employment Opportunities



### Cal State University San Bernardino (CSUSB)

#### Accounting Technician II/Accounting Services

Salary: \$36,120 - \$63,480 Annually Closes: Continuous

### City of Riverside (Public Utilities)

#### Accounting Technician

Salary: \$49,092 Annually Closes: 10/13/19

### City of Colton

#### Payroll Analyst

Salary: \$67,764 - \$82,368 Annually Closes: 10/25/19

### City of Redlands

#### Management Analyst

Salary: \$68,258 - \$82,968 Annually Closes: 10/11/19

### City of Norco

#### Account Clerk (Part-Time)

Salary: \$15 - \$17 Hourly Closes: 10/14/19

### County of Riverside

#### Administrative Services Manager II

Salary: \$77,147 - \$124,358 Annually Closes: 10/11/19

### University of California, Riverside

#### Financial & Administrative Officer III

Salary: \$69,000 - \$119,200 Annually Open Until Filled

#### Contract Analyst

Salary: \$50,000 - \$98,600 Annually Open Until Filled



October 23 | 2-3:50 PM ET

Internal Control

[learn more & register](#)

### Internal Control

#### Applying ERM Programs to Address Cybersecurity Risks

October 23 | 2-3:50 PM ET | 2 CPEs | FOS: AUDG

Program Level: Overview

Prerequisite: None

Advance Preparation: None required

Field of Study: Auditing - Governmental (AUDG)





# Finance in a Digital World

## Technology as a Partner, Not a Threat

By Robert Grabowski; Brian Siegel; Christie Johnson;  
and Erin Cunningham

**T**he world of government financial management continues to evolve. Back-office functions and CFOs are gaining greater responsibility yet receiving fewer dollars than in prior years to achieve their goals. The shift to digital, often seen as unwelcome interference with the status quo, is changing not only our personal lives, but also the way we work. Sometimes referred to as “disruptors,” these innovations are radically altering the landscape of financial management. Consequently, it is imperative to anticipate how government financial management will look next year — or even five years from now.



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Dec. 18, 2019 — Free Members-Only\*  
Jan. 8, 2020 — Uniform Guidance  
Feb. 5, 2020 — GASB Update  
March 4, 2020 — Improper Payments

March 18, 2020 — Free Members-Only\*  
March 25, 2020 — Cybersecurity  
April 8, 2020 — Ethics  
April 22, 2020 — DATA Act  
May 13, 2020 — Fraud/Data Analytics  
June 10, 2020 — Leadership  
June 26, 2020 — Free Members-Only\*

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