

Upcoming Events

Webinar - GASB Update

2/6/2019, 12:00 - 1:50 PM

700 W. State St. - 4th Floor Conference Room CJRW Building - State Controller's Office

Bring your sack lunch for this 2 hour training, CPE provided.

We wish to thank our Webinar Sponsors: Legislative Audit, State Controller,
Department of Health and Welfare, and Ada County

Luncheon - Topic to Be Determined

2/21/2019, 12:00 - 1:00 PM **700 W. State St. - 4th Floor Conference Room C**JRW Building - State Controller's Office

Please register ahead of time if you wish to purchase a lunch.

Welcome New Communications Webmaster!

After several years of service, Amy Swann has left us to concentrate on her newly appointed duties at the Department of Health & Welfare. We wish her the best in her new position!

The Idaho Centennial Chapter wants to extend a warm welcome to Jason Brizendine who will be taking over Amy's duties. We are thrilled to have you, Jason!

We Need Board Volunteers

Please consider giving back to AGA by helping to lead our great organization. We have several position open and we need your help!

- Secretary Keeps minutes and documents up to date
- Education Chair Coordinates scheduling of speakers for Luncheons and issues CPE certificates
- Historian Records pictures at events and creates a monthly newsletter
- Programs Coordinates meeting space, food, and beverage [Open 7/1]

If you are interested in helping, please speak to ANY board member and we will be glad to share with you any information about AGA and volunteering.

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About Our Chapter

The Idaho Centennial
Chapter has a diverse
membership base of
both active and retired
professionals from
local, state, and
federal government;
the private sector; and
academia. Many
chapter members hold
professional
certifications including
Certified Government
Financial Manager
(CGFM).

Our Mission

The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) serves professionals in the government financial management community by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, as well as supporting standards and research to advance government accountability



2019 Professional Development Training



APRIL 23-24, 2019

The 2019 Professional Development Training venue has been confirmed with parking at the Washington Group Plaza Auditorium in Boise, Idaho.

We are diligently working on booking speakers with applicable tools and information to aid your service in Government Accounting! In the meantime, if you have anything you or someone you know wants to donate for the Annual Raffle please contact Kristine Byington ASAP at kbyington@sco.idaho.gov. Gift Cards, Gift Certificates, and Gift Baskets are particularly welcome. All raffle proceeds benefit the Idaho Food Bank's Backpack Program.

December Luncheon

12/20/2018 Luncheon Speaker: Keri Garden - Department of Health & Welfare Risk Control Self Assessment

Keri walked us through a straightforward process for conducting a risk control self-assessment that can be used in any setting whether individually or in groups. It starts with identifying an issue, writing objective statements about the issue, pinpointing the risks for



each objective, rating each risk, and finally evaluating the methods for controlling the highest risk.

January Luncheon



1/17/2018 Luncheon Speaker:
Paul Spannknebel - Division of Veterans Affairs
Act Now, Talent is Limited!

Paul explained that a major reason talented employees leave is simply a lack of communication between the employee and management. Motivated employees seeking future opportunities will leave while management makes plans to use their additional skills. Without clear communication between the two, both miss out.

Goals & Objectives

Accountability, Certification, Education, Research,



Service

Mailing Address



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This is a great
opportunity to get
involved in a
supportive
organization. If you are
interested in serving
on our board, please
contact Michael
Pearson at
208-287-2800 or
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Holiday Donation Drive



Holiday Food Drive was successful! Besides the 60 pounds of food, we were also able to donate \$130 to the Idaho Food Bank!

Thank you all for your generosity!

We look forward to the Annual Raffle at the PDT in April for another opportunity to benefit the Idaho Food Bank's Backpack Program. Let's exceed last year's donation of \$1,149!

Citizen Centric Report



AGA's Citizen-Centric Reporting (CCR) initiative is intended to simplify communication between governments and their citizens. We believe accurate government financial information should be provided to citizens, in a simple and understandable format, which is updated regularly, and available to all. We are all AGA!

LINK: CCR 2017-2018

Certification Information



Celebrating 25 years of CGFM

CGFM Exams will be in updated in the 2nd half of 2019. With the new exams there will be additional questions and you can test by content area.

Online Study Guides: Are on sale for a 6 month subscriptions for \$37.00

Good News for anyone interested in the CGFM program. The AGA board has a new set of study guides available for check out. Please email Raelynn North to get on the list. Raelynn.north@isp.idaho.gov

If you are interested in the CGFM program, check out AGA National video of how the CGFM certification can help to expand career opportunities. https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx

If you have any question, need additional resources or have any issues please feel free to reach out to the CGFM chair Raelynn.

SEASON OF SUCCESS!



Presidential Note

Happy New Year!

Hard to believe that 2019 is already upon us. For those of you with CPE requirements, I encourage you to make AGA a part of your plans early in the year! We are planning a fantastic PDT this April (April 23-24) and also have the Mayor of Meridian and Boise City Council President coming to speak to us at lunch in March and May.

Also on the agenda for our PDT in a couple of months is elections for board members. These volunteers are key to the success of the chapter and our Association! I encourage you to consider becoming part of the leadership group that continues our tradition of excellence and government accountability.

Sincerely, Michael Pearson



LINK TO CALENDAR

| Date | Event | Topic | CPE |
|-----------------------------|----------|--|-----|
| 2/6/2019 | Webinar | GASB Update | 2 |
| 2/21/2019 | Luncheon | TBD | 1 |
| 3/6/2019 | Webinar | Finance | 2 |
| 3/27/2019 | Webinar | Cybersecurity | 2 |
| 3/21/2019 | Luncheon | Meridian Mayor Tammy de Weerd | 1 |
| 4/10/2019 | Webinar | Ethics | 2 |
| 4/23-24/2019 | PDT | Professional Development Training | 16 |
| 5/15/2019 | Webinar | Fraud/Data Analytics | 2 |
| 5/16/2019 | Luncheon | Boise City Council President Lauren McLean | 1 |
| Total Program Hours Offered | | | 40 |

Luncheons and Webinars - Start at noon and are hosted at the Idaho State Controller's Office, 4th Floor Conference Room. Invitations/RSVP and Lunch orders will be sent out in advance.

Chapter Reports

For those of you who like to keep informed of our Chapter Meetings and ongoing financial condition, we update our website each month with: Board Meeting Minutes & Treasurer Reports. From our homepage, select Our Chapter, navigate to Chapter Board Reports, and select the 'Minutes' or 'Treasurer' link next to the Month-Year of your choice.