

# September 2020 Newsletter - Virginia Peninsula Chapter

It's almost September, here's what we have going on in the AGA VA Peninsula Chapter!

**Don't forget to register for our evening 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration - September 17<sup>th</sup>** We have a limit per zoom so please be sure to register early at this

link: <https://www.123signup.com/register?id=rkzmj> <https://s01.123signup.com/servlet/SignUpMember?PG=1534683182300&P=15346831911434519700>

September 17th, 7:00 – 8:00pm, 1 CPE - (It's FREE!) The chapter's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, *How Far We've Come, Setting Goals and Reaching Them*. VIRTUAL!

Mary Peterman, the Deputy Chief, Finance and Procurement Office, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts and past VA Peninsula Chapter President, past National President and past National Treasurer of the Association of Government Accountants will be our keynote speaker.

We're also offering lots of chances to win prizes! It's a party – be sure and join us!

**Next FREE MEMBERS ONLY webinar is September 2nd!** AGA National is hosting its next FREE members only webinar - *Build a Positive Workplace Environment - Even In a COVID-19 World!*, Wed, Sep 2, 2020 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (1 CPE). Register at [agacgfm.org](http://agacgfm.org) – [Training & Events](#)

**Have you checked us out on FACEBOOK yet (AGA – Virginia Peninsula Chapter)? If not, you are missing out! We're having a lot of fun out there, plus sharing important news about what's happening in the chapter – be sure to follow us!**

**Congratulations to our Volunteer of the Year for 2019-2020** – Lance Poulter, our long-time webmaster and past chapter president (he's also our incoming *National Council of Chapters* representative!)-- [see agacgfm.org-Membership](http://agacgfm.org-Membership) Thank you Lance!

**Help us reach our goal of recruiting 15 new members this year!** Wouldn't it be cool at AGA's National PDT in Nashville next July to see someone from our chapter named AGA's Recruiter of the Year?! It could happen...make it your goal! AGA membership offers an outstanding return on investment – in fact, it's likely that you will receive back in CPEs alone more than you paid for your membership this year! When you add in all the other benefits of social, leadership and volunteer opportunities, as well as being part of a pretty cool community, it's well worth the cost to join.

Encourage a colleague to attend our September meeting. AGA offers a way to keep up with what's happening and meet other people working in the profession even during quarantine.

**Looking for an achievement in 2020? Consider becoming CGFM certified!** Being a Certified Government Financial Manager allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field. Visit [agacgfm.org](http://agacgfm.org) – CGFM Certification for all the details and respond to this email to let us know if you are preparing for the CGFM. We'll send you encouragement and share our study guides with you.

**Please write a letter to a nursing home patient to help ease their isolation** We're up to 11 letters, 89 to go...please help us reach our goal of 100! -With many nursing home residents unable to get visitors during the pandemic, we're taking part in a campaign to brighten their day with a note, card, picture or letter. It's EASY and if you have bored kids at home, it's something you can involve them in! Track our progress on Facebook at AGA – Virginia Peninsula Chapter.

1. Write a letter, draw a picture, or send a card to a nursing home resident (better yet, get your kids to do it!)
2. Take your picture (or theirs) with the letter(s) and post it to our Facebook page
3. Mail your letter to : Mail to: Autumn Care of Altavista, c/o Amy Henderson  
1317 Lola Ave, Altavista, VA 24517
4. Email our community service director Jess Andrade with the number of letters you sent ([Jess.Marie.Andrade@gmail.com](mailto:Jess.Marie.Andrade@gmail.com))

5. Feel good knowing you did something to brighten another person's day!

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