



# New Year New Goals



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## President's Message



I hope you enjoy this newsletter. Thank you to Raelynn and to our board members for creating our Idaho Centennial Chapter newsletters. Our chapter's board dedicates lots of time and energy in providing quality information as well as training and networking opportunities for our great members. Please feel free to thank our board members, either in writing or in person, for their tireless service on behalf of our AGA chapter.

That being said, there are several board positions available for this coming 2020/2021 year, including Treasurer, Early Careers, Accountability, Education, Historian, and PDT co-chair. No experience is needed!

I encourage you to join if you are looking for ways to grow as a current career leader or to gain new leadership skills. The experiences and networking opportunities you will receive are invaluable. In fact, many of our board members are leaders in their associated career fields.

Please reach out to a board member today if you are considering volunteering.

Chris



## December Luncheon

Idaho Centennial Chapter hosted Kirsten Holmberg who spoke about practical strategies to communicate more effectively.

She went over the three phases of public speaking and why they were important. Those that attended the luncheon even got some hands on experience of defining terminology in a more practical way.

We have posted the slides she has provided on our website with some additional resources she mentioned.

Thanks Kirsten for a great luncheon!



## 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

AGA is a professional association advance accountability, transparency and leadership by promoting education, certification, innovation and collaboration across all levels of government and to stakeholders.

## Goals

- Accountability
- Certification
- Education and Research
- Service

## Upcoming Events

**Luncheon: Francisco Salinas-  
Diversity and Inclusion**

Date 2/20/20 12:00 PM-1:00 PM  
JRW Building

**Webinar- Improper Payments**

Date 3/4/20 12:00 PM- 2:00PM  
LBJ Basement 09

**Luncheon: Genna Heikka- The  
Power of Your Personal Brand**

Date 3/19/20 12:00 PM- 1:00 PM  
JRW Building

**PDT**

Date 4/28-29/20  
St. Luke's Plaza (URS Building)

**Webinar- Fraud/Data Analytics**

Date 5/13/20 12:00 PM- 2:00 PM  
LBJ Basement 09

**Luncheon: Marshall  
Townsend-Leadership**

Date 5/21/20 12:00 PM- 1:00 PM  
JRW Building

**Webinar- Leadership**

Date 6/10/20 12:00 PM- 2:00 PM  
LBJ Basement 09

Invitations/ RSVP and Lunch orders will  
be sent out in advance.



# SAVE the DATE April 28-29, 2020

Topics: Fraud, Change  
Management, Workplace  
Communication, Project  
Management, Ethics,  
PERSI, Budget, Leases,  
GASB Update

Registration coming soon  
with the full agenda;  
watch your inboxes!



# CGFM Scholarship Program

Idaho Centennial Chapter offers this scholarship program to help our members achieve the Certified Government Financial Manager designation.

To receive the scholarship, the member must:

- Pass all 3 exams
- Have not received a voucher for any of the exams
- Follow the AGA code of Ethics

Once you have submitted all the required documentation (Please see website for specific details), the chapter will reimburse one test fee. If all three test are passed within a year, AGA will reimburse the CGFM application fee.

Maximum amount reimbursed is \$195.



## CGFM

### Certification choose the best

CGFM or Certified Government Financial Manager is a professional certification awarded by AGA.

It shows competency in : Governmental Accounting, Auditing, Financial Reporting, Internal Controls and Budgeting at the federal, state, and local levels.

### How do you become a CGFM?

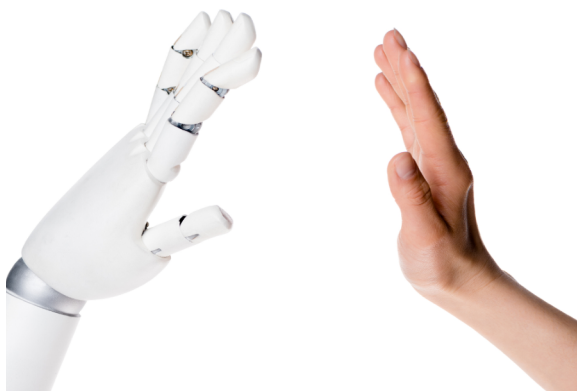
Submit an online application and meet the following requirements:

Ethics - Agree to abide by AGA's code of ethics

Education - Have a bachelor's degree in any subject area from an accredited U.S. college or university

Examinations - Pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations

Exprience - Have at least two years of professional level experience in government financial managment





# Volunteers Needed

## *Be a volunteer*



### WHY Be a Volunteer?

1. To help people - Help drive the professional by volunteering
2. Try a new role or develop a new skill - AGA is a safe place to audition new skills without being judged
3. Expand your network
4. Build up your resume
5. Be a part of something bigger

The Idaho Centennial Chapter is giving a call for volunteers.

For the PDT

For Community Service

For our Board

For our Local Committees

For the National Committees

If you would like to volunteer please reach out to any of the current board members.



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## Open Board Positions Starting in July

**Treasurer** - Help prepare the chapter budget and monthly reports. Don't worry - we have a step by step process and lots of accountants to help

**Early Careers** - This position is all about outreach, getting out and talking to all of the new early careers or even college graduates.

**Accountability** - Help build our CCR and make board decisions.

**Education** - Help the board recruit new speakers for the monthly luncheons and PDT.

**Historian** - Take pictures at monthly luncheons and help put together the newsletter.

**PDT** - This is a co-chair position to help the planning of the annual Professional conference. Don't worry, there is a lot of help with this volunteer position!

**Professional Certification** - Be the point of contact for anyone looking into the CGFM program and review all scholarship requests.

Even if you can't commit to a specific board position but want to volunteer, please let us know! We can always use more volunteers for anything from a year-long commitment to a single event.



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