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# Association of Government Accountants

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## President's Message

The new decade has arrived! We are now officially in the “roaring” 20s!

Planning is already underway for the 2020 PDT which will be held at the Buffalo Thunder Resort in Santa Fe. Details will be provided soon.

As always, the NM Chapter Executive Committee could use your help with the NM Chapter events and administration. Won't you consider attending the next CEC meeting to see how you may be able to get involved? We could surely use your expertise and talent. Email me directly at [mschuck@burtcpa.com](mailto:mschuck@burtcpa.com) if you wish to volunteer or need further information.



### Highlights this month...

- Treasurer's Reports October - November 2019
- Webinar Schedule for next program year – July 2019 to June 2020
- CGFM in NM PROFILE – **Ralen Randel, CGFM**
- Membership Matters – Focus on Membership
- General News & Updates
- Chapter Leadership

# Treasurer's Reports – October - November 2019

## October 2019

	Bank	Book	Variance				
Beginning Bank / Book Balance	\$ 71,544.13	\$ 70,524.68		<b>CLEARED CHECKS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
Checks Cleared / Issued	(15,810.08)	(15,774.08)		1860	9/30/2019	James Chadburn (REimbursement FMY certificate)	36.00
Deposits	100.00	100.00		1862	10/11/2019	Albuquerque AGA Chapter (PDT revenue transfer)	14,738.76
Ending Bank / Book Balance	55,834.05	54,850.60		1863	10/17/2019	Misty Schuck (Nationals PDT reimbursement)	558.65
Outstanding Deposits				1864	10/17/2019	The Ranch House (FMY luncheon)	476.67
Outstanding Checks	(983.45)					<b>Total</b>	<b>15,810.08</b>
Check Figure	\$54,850.60	\$54,850.60	\$0.00	<b>OUTSTANDING CHECKS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
				1845	4/24/2019	Eventzilla (PDT Registration)	933.45
				1855	7/16/2019	Railyard Park Concervancy (Membership appreciation picnic damage deposit)	50.00
Stmnt End Bank Bal as o 10/31/19	\$55,834.05						
Variance	\$0.00					<b>Total</b>	<b>983.45</b>
				<b>CLEARED DEPOSITS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
					10/25/2019	AGA Memebership Dues	100.00
						<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>
				<b>OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
						<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>

## November 2019

	Bank	Book	Variance				
Beginning Bank / Book Balance	\$55,834.05	\$54,850.60		<b>CLEARED CHECKS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
Checks Cleared / Issued		(2,000.00)					
Deposits		-					
Ending Bank / Book Balance	55,834.05	52,850.60					
Outstanding Deposits						<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>
Outstanding Checks	(2,983.45)			<b>OUTSTANDING CHECKS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
Check Figure	\$52,850.60	\$52,850.60	\$0.00	1845	4/24/2019	Eventzilla (PDT Registration)	933.45
				1855	7/16/2019	Railyard Park Concervancy (Membership appreciation picnic damage deposit)	50.00
				1865	11/14/2019	Hilton Santa Fe Buffalo Thunder (deposit PDT 2020)	2,000.00
Stmnt End Bank Bal as o 11/30/19	\$55,834.05					<b>Total</b>	<b>2,983.45</b>
Variance	\$0.00			<b>CLEARED DEPOSITS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
						<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>
				<b>OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Transaction / Description</b>	<b>Payment Amount</b>
						<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>

# Webinars Schedule – July 2019 to June 2020



**January 8, 2020 - Uniform Guidance**

**February 5, 2020 - GASB Update**

More information such as times and locations is available on the NM Chapter website at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/New-Mexico-Chapter/Home.aspx>

## CGFM in NM – Profiles of CGFM Credentialed Professionals

**Profile:** Ralen Randel, CGFM  
Senior Auditor  
NM Office of the State Auditor  
CGFM since July 2014



Being a CGFM is very important to me because it has helped me further develop professionally to pursue my passion for governmental financial management. It has given me the opportunity to know and work with outstanding financial professionals in AGA. The CGFM provided the understanding and knowledge of the governmental financial management, and understanding the big governmental financial picture. The CGFM and year after year AGA local chapters' ongoing CPE training has provided significant governmental professional development that has enabled me to propose and develop diverse initiatives at OSA, to work on a variety of projects at OSA in assisting four OSA Administrations, and our customers in numerous capacities over the years. I am grateful that four OSA Administrations have given me those opportunities.

Ralen has worked at the Office of the State Auditor for over 11 years as a Senior Auditor. He is a graduate of the UNM Anderson Graduate School of Management with Master's degrees in Accounting, Business Administration with a concentration in Policy & Planning, Secondary Education, and Bachelor's degree Mathematics Education. Ralen lives in Albuquerque with his wife, two sons and two dogs (Ranger and Leia from Star Wars. She is a real princess, or at least she thinks so.) Ralen enjoys spending time with his sons practicing their soccer, football, baseball, and conditioning skills, and Boy Scouts' activities, and in the gym. He is passionate about road and mountain bicycling.

# Membership Matters

*Focus on Membership*



## **Membership Reminder:**

Membership is so important to keep your finger on the pulse of the governmental sector's premiere resource for knowledge, mentorship, education, and so much more. Please renew your membership and keep it up to date so you may continue receiving your member benefits. As an AGA member, you are awesome and poised for success!

### **Recruit a member – You Can Do It!**

Two-thirds of new members joined AGA because someone asked them to join. Whether via an employer, a colleague or a friend – word of mouth is the number one way AGA gains new members.

As a valued member, no one knows better than a current AGA member how beneficial membership is to promoting government financial management. You can affect the future of AGA by sharing the value of membership with your peers, your staff and others in your organization.



### **AGA Member News:**

Welcome New Members to the New Mexico Chapter:

- Ms. Chelsea Segura, Contract Auditor – State of NM
- Mr. Brent Hatley, Finance Director – State of NM
- Ms. Crystal Herrera, Chief Procurement Office – Regulation & Licensing Department
- Mr. Ricky Martinez, ASD Director/CFO – Regulation & Licensing Department
- Mr. Brad Mathews, Budget Analyst – Regulation & Licensing Department
- Ms. Tanya Montoya-Ramirez, CFO – NM Administrative Hearings Office
- Ms. Yvonne Quintana, Accountant & Audit Supervisor – Regulation & Licensing Department
- Ms. Jennifer Vigil, Human Resource Manager – Regulation & Licensing Department

Welcome and thank you for your Membership!!!!

To join, go to: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Membership/Learn-About-AGA/Join-or-Renew.aspx>



# General News & Updates

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## ○ 2020 NM Chapter PDT

*The 2020 PDT will be held at the Buffalo Thunder Resort in Santa Fe on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. Hold these dates on your calendar! Planning sessions have already begun. Please email your interest to [mschuck@burtcpa.com](mailto:mschuck@burtcpa.com).*

## ○ Congratulations to: Todd Newman, ASD Bureau Chief, NM DFA 2019 NM Chapter - Path to CGFM Scholarship Program award winner

*Mr. Newman is the ASD Bureau Chief with the NM Department of Finance & Administration. Congratulations Todd! The inaugural NM Chapter Path to CGFM Scholarship application submission deadline was 10/31/2019 and the scholarship was awarded on 11/8/2019. Stay tuned for information on 2020 Path to CGFM Scholarship Program.*

## ○ Congratulations to: Natalie Cordova, CPA, Deputy State Auditor, NM Office of the State Auditor

### 2019 NM Chapter – Financial Manager of the Year award winner

*Ms. Cordova is a dedicated public servant, who currently serves as the Deputy State Auditor for the NM Office of the State Auditor. Ms. Cordova's previous public service experience was as CFO for the New Mexico Attorney General's Office and CFO for the Public Employees Retirement Association of New Mexico. Ms. Cordova earned her Bachelor of Science Degrees in Accounting and Economics from New Mexico State University. Congratulations Natalie! Nominations for the 2020 Financial Manager of the Year will open soon. Stay tuned for more information.*

## Quote of the Month

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January is the month for dreaming.  
**Jean Hersey**

## **CGFM – You really should get it!**

Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, demonstrating competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels. CGFM is the premiere respected credential that recognizes the specialized knowledge and experience needed to be an effective government financial manager. Being a CGFM allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field.

### CGFM Education Requirements:

To take any of the CGFM examinations, you must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.

### CGFM Professional Experience Requirements:

CGFM candidates must have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management prior to being awarded their designation as a CGFM.

NM Chapter proudly offers the "You Pass We Pay" Program to ALL NM Chapter members who want to get certified as a CGFM. More details on the NM Chapter website at

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/New-Mexico-Chapter/CGFM-Certification/CGFM-You-Pass-We-Pay-Program.aspx>

# Chapter Leadership

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## *National Leadership Members from the New Mexico Chapter*

- Vince Lithgow, CGFM** - Southwest Regional Vice President
- Donna Sandoval, CGFM** - Director/NCC Representative, AGA National Governing Board, Immediate Past Southwest Regional Vice President and Journal Editorial Board Member
- Wanda Gonzales** - National Council of Chapters Representative
- Elena Tercero, CGFM, CPA** - Professional Certification Board Member

## *New Mexico Chapter Leadership*

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