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Greetings,

I hope you all have enjoyed this year as much as I have. As the temperature heats up, I'm afraid our Chapter will be winding down to regroup and plan next year's activities. I'd like to thank the Committee for their hard work this year. It has been a great one!

I'd also like to thank our February, March and April speakers who provided us with a wealth of information through topics ranging from managing cash flow to enhancing audit techniques with data to managing multiple generations in the workplace. Thank you, Sylvia Kauffman, Scott Abel, and Leita Hart-Fanta for sharing your knowledge with us. The CPE luncheon will remain at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen for our final May luncheon. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

As always, we are always looking for additional participation on the board and committees. Once again, we are now taking nominations for committee members for next year. If you are interested in assisting on the board or interested in assisting with a particular event during the year, please contact me or any of the board members for more information. Thank you in advance for your continued support of the chapter. See you all on May 10th!

Kieran Coe





PAST EVENTS

February Luncheon

The AGA Austin Chapter hosted its February luncheon on February 8, 2018 at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen at 12pm. Our guest speaker, Sylvia Hernandez Kauffman, presented the topic “Discovering Value via Enterprise Data Governance.”

Sylvia Hernandez Kauffman of Austin has served as the Principal Deputy Inspector General for Health and Human Services since early 2016 and was recently named the Inspector General by Governor Greg Abbott. Previously, she served in strategic leadership roles at the Inspector General’s Office and at the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

A native Texan, born and raised in the Rio Grande Valley, Sylvia was the first person in her family to attend college. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from Stanford University. Sylvia received her Master in Public Policy from Harvard University. Sylvia lives in south Austin with her husband, David, and their three children, Daniel, Natalia, and Isabella.



PAST EVENTS



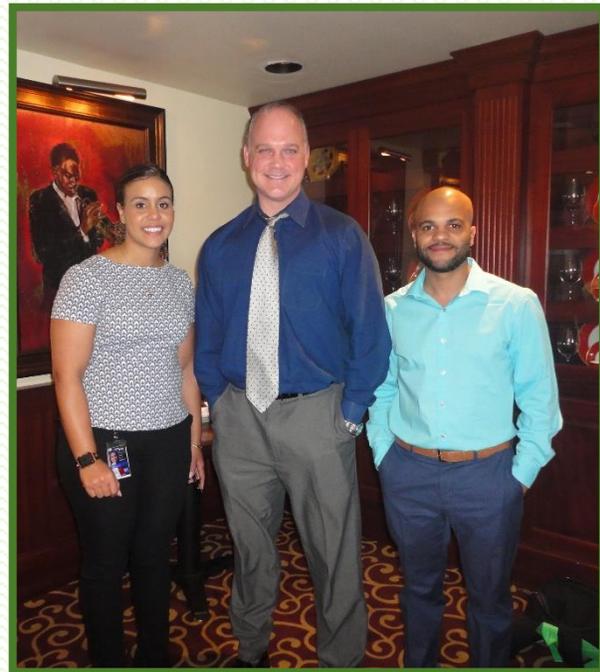
March Luncheon



The AGA Austin Chapter hosted its March luncheon on March 8, 2018 at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen at 12pm. Our guest speaker, Scott Abel, JD, presented the topic “Leading Across Generations: Leveraging Generational Differences in the Workplace.”

Scott is a trainer with Training Organizational and Leadership Development with HHSC. Previously, he served as the Professional Development Coordinator for Educational Services at DADS. Prior to that, he was the Policy and Innovation Team Lead in the Center for Policy, Innovation, and Program Coordination at DFPS, and the Manager for Policy and Communications at HHSC's Office of Inspector General.

Scott was previously a contract manager and a certified grant writer in DSHS' Regulatory Affairs Division where he worked closely with federal agencies on consumer health issues. Prior to joining the HHS system, Scott served as a senior administrator in the field of intercollegiate athletics compliance and enforcement at St. Edward's University, the University of Northern Colorado, and Texas Christian University. Scott has a bachelor's degree and a law degree from Texas Wesleyan University and is a graduate of the HHS Executive Leadership Academy, Class 4.



PAST EVENTS

April Luncheon



The AGA Austin Chapter hosted its April luncheon on April 12, 2018 at Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen at 12pm. Our guest speaker, Leita Hart-Fanta, CPA, presented the topic “Principles of Cash Flow.”

Leita Hart-Fanta, CPA, CGAP, CGFM, is the author of the McGraw Hill book Accounting Demystified and has taught non-financial professionals how to understand the language of finance for over 20 years. Her clients include Walmart, Dell Computer, Schlumberger, Valero Energy, Sandia Labs, the Navajo Nation, and The University of Texas. She has led over 2000 seminars and conference sessions for CPAs, auditors and other professionals on over a dozen topics ranging from performance based budgeting to financial statement analysis to audit planning and reporting. She is the founder of Yellowbook-CPE.com and is currently writing a self-study book on internal controls.





PAST EVENTS

AGA Networking Event

The AGA Austin Chapter held its annual networking event on April 19, 2018 at 77° Rooftop at the Domain. The event, co-sponsored by Grant Thornton and the Austin Chapter, resulted in an amazing turnout! Attendees got an opportunity to network with potential business partners, employers and AGA members. Our mission of building AGA awareness in the industry and the education arena was a success! Thanks to everyone who came out to support the Chapter and a big thank you to the 77° Rooftop staff as well as the Chapter Executive Committee for all of their hard work. Last but certainly not least, a special thanks to our Membership Chair, Khiry Burke, for putting together an amazing event!



AGA Networking Event



EAT. DRINK. NETWORK.



THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018 | 5:30 - 8:30 PM
In the Domain
11500 E ROCK ROSE AVE | AUSTIN | TX | 78758

- ✓ Enjoy a complimentary beverage of your choice along with appetizers
- ✓ Mingle with current and potential future AGA members
- ✓ Bring a friend that may want to explore AGA membership and get an additional complimentary beverage!!!



Sponsored by the AGA
Austin Chapter and
Grant Thornton LLP



Please RSVP at:

<http://aga-austin.org/aga-austin-networking.html>

Political compliance is the responsibility of each individual. Estimated value of food and drink is \$15 per person.





UPCOMING EVENTS

May Luncheon

- What:** CPE Luncheon
“Driving Government Accountability through Accounting and Auditing”
- When:** May 10, 2018
11:30 am – 1:00 pm
- Where:** Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen
6319 N I Hwy 35 | Austin, TX |78752
- Who:** Karin Hill
- Why:** Earn 1 continuing professional education credit



Our May presenter...



Karin Hill is the HHS Director of Internal Audit. Before joining HHS as part of the system transformation, she served as the Internal Audit Director for DARS from 2012 to 2016. She was also the chief internal auditor for the Texas Juvenile Justice Department and a staff auditor for the Texas Commission for the Blind. Prior to state government, Karin served in the United States Air Force for nine years in a variety of positions with the last being a cost analyst and administrator for an internal control review program. She is a member of the Institute of Internal Auditor's Committee of Research and Education Advisors and the State Agency Internal Audit Forum. Karin has an MBA from Southwest Texas State University, a bachelor's degree in management and accounting from Park College. She is also a graduate of the Governor's Executive Development Program. Karin has earned the Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) designation, the Certified Government Auditing Professional (CGAP) designation, and the Certification in Risk Management Assurance (CRMA).

HIGHLIGHTS

Membership Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following members who reached their anniversary milestones in the months of February, March and April



1 year Anniversary: Angela Bourianoff, Charlotte Carpenter, Caroline Navarro, Christian Sey, Eric Perales, Katrina Reese, Florence Anderson



10 year Anniversary: Ida Ash, CGFM, Mr. Philip Ashley, CGFM

New Members

Welcome to the following new members that joined in April



New Members: Lauren Henry, Phyllis Dunn



Luncheon Gift Card Drawings!

Congratulations to **Mari Queller** for winning a \$25 gift card to Landry's Restaurants during our February luncheon, **Morgan Mounts** for winning a \$25 gift card to Outback Steakhouse during our March luncheon and **Patty Robinson** for winning a \$25 gift card to Amazon during our April luncheon!



FEBRUARY TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 2/28/18



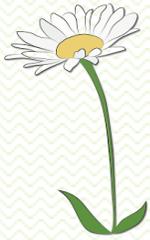
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<i>Funds Received:</i>		
2/16/2018 ACH Square - March Luncheon		\$25.92
2/9/2018 ACH Square - Feb Luncheon		\$78.44
2/8/2018 ACH Square - Feb Luncheon		\$25.92
2/7/2018 ACH Square - Feb Luncheon		\$51.84
2/6/2018 ACH Square - Feb Luncheon		\$25.92
2/5/2018 ACH Square - Feb Luncheon		\$51.84
2/1/2018 Dividend through	1/31/2018	\$0.36
Total Funds Received		\$260.24
 Funds Available		 \$4,616.66
<i>Funds Expended:</i>		
<i>Date</i>	<i>Check No./Credit Card.</i>	
2/9/2018	Debit Card	Pmt for Feb Luncheon - Pappadeaux \$430.92
	Total Funds Expended	\$430.92
 Ending Bank Balance	 2/28/2018	 \$4,185.74
Check Register Reconciliation:		
Ending Bank Balance	2/28/2018	\$4,185.74
	Total Outstanding Checks	\$0.00
	Total Outstanding Deposits	\$0.00
 Adjusted Ending Bank Balance	 2/28/2018	 \$4,185.74
 Total Chapter Funds Available Per Check Register	 2/28/2018	 \$4,185.74
<i>Cash On Hand:</i>		
	CU Min Savings	
	Balance	\$5.00
	Luncheon Bank	\$40.00



MARCH TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 3/31/18

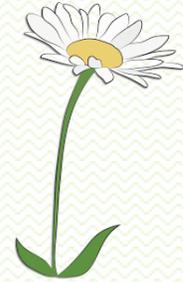
Beginning Bank Balance	2/28/2018	\$4,185.74
<i>Funds Received:</i>		
3/2/2018 ACH Square - Mar Luncheon		\$51.84
3/5/2018 ACH Square - Mar Luncheon		\$118.23
3/6/2018 Payment for January Luncheon ERS		\$54.00
3/6/2018 Payment for February Luncheon ERS		\$81.00
3/9/2018 ACH Square - Mar Luncheon		\$103.68
3/12/2018 Payment Feb. Luncheon LBB		\$27.00
3/22/2018 Payment for Nov Luncheon DFPS		\$108.00
3/22/2018 Payment for Sept Luncheon DFPS		\$140.00
3/22/2018 Payment for Oct Luncheon DFPS		\$140.00
3/22/2018 Payment for Dec Luncheon DFPS		\$140.00
3/23/2018 ACH Square - April Luncheon		\$25.92
3/26/2018 ACH Square - April Luncheon		\$25.92
3/29/2018 Payment Jan. Luncheon LBB		\$27.00
3/29/2018 ACH Square - April Luncheon		\$25.92
3/1/2018 Dividend through	2/28/2018	\$0.33
Total Funds Received		\$1,068.84
Funds Available		\$5,254.58
<i>Funds Expended:</i>		
<i>Date</i>	<i>Check No./Credit Card.</i>	
3/9/2018	<i>Debit Card</i>	Pmt for Mar Luncheon - Pappadeaux
		\$622.44
	Total Funds Expended	\$622.44
Ending Bank Balance	3/31/2018	\$4,632.14
Check Register Reconciliation:		
Ending Bank Balance	3/31/2018	\$4,632.14
	Total Outstanding Checks	\$0.00
	Total Outstanding Deposits	\$0.00
Adjusted Ending Bank Balance	3/31/2018	\$4,632.14
Total Chapter Funds Available Per Check Register	3/31/2018	\$4,632.14
<i>Cash On Hand:</i>		
	CU Min Savings Balance	\$5.00
	Luncheon Bank	\$40.00



FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

Chapter Executive Committee Meeting

February 15, 2018 - 12pm



AGA CEC Board Meeting Minutes

Roll Call:

Kieran Coe, Bhakti Patel, Stanton Martin, Sharita Jefferson, Priscila Suggs, Lorna Schwimmer-Staggs

Kieran thanked everyone for setting up presenters—definitely had some great presenters this year.

Followed up with Ms. Kaufman after the luncheon and extended a personal thank you for speaking and put out some feelers for how the AGA could benefit the HHSC OIG office. Kieran will follow up with the sub-committee on ideas for an event.

Newsletter—the newsletter was issued and Kieran thanked Bhakti and Shayla for their work.

Networking Event – April 19th. Khiry has secured 77 Degrees and they have agreed to allow us to use St. Genevieve’s kitchen. Stanton sent out the menu for review and any special requests. Need to develop flyer for the networking event. Priscilla will find the email with ideas for Community Service Events to mix in with the Networking Event and send it out for input.

Kieran is meeting with Allison from Houston-Tillotson to discuss an AGA partnership.

The AGA LinkedIn is live. Kieran and Lorna are admins in addition to Priscilla. Need to build out the network. Priscilla will send out a list of key words for the page so that when people search those key words the AGA Austin page will pop up. Post a picture from the luncheon along with the link to the newsletter.

Officer reports

- Treasurer – Already booked March for the luncheon. Will go ahead and book April and May.
- Secretary – Stanton will help Kieran file quarterly recognition points.
- Communications – Nothing to report. Reminder will go out for the March newsletter.
- Community Service – Will send out the email mentioned above.

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

Chapter Executive Committee Meeting

March 15, 2018 - 12pm



AGA CEC Board Meeting Minutes

Roll Call:

Kieran Coe, Sharita Jefferson, Angela Bourianoff, Khiry Burke, Bhakti Patel, Shayla Prince

March Luncheon Debrief – The Board agreed Scott Abel was an exceptional speaker. Mr. Abel expressed that he would be happy to come back and speak next year. John Nuelle and Sylvia Kauffman were submitted to the National Office. Chapter Recognition points are awarded for the submission of exceptional speakers.

Monthly Newsletter – Next week is tentative date set for the newsletter. Lorna will send the February Treasurer's Report.

Networking Event – Scheduled for April 19th. Kieran will finalize payment amount. Discussions were had on the networking event logistics and each person's responsibilities (e.g. drink tickets, name tags, etc.). Eddie can create a sign-in sheet with those individuals who have RSVP'd. (Board to follow up with Eddie). The Board agree to move the April CEC Meeting date from April 19th to April 17th in order to finalize logistics for the networking event.

April Luncheon – Lorna set up the payment via phone; however does not have sign in sheet. Kieran offered to pay for 3 of the students attending as the AGA voted to pay for two of the students.

Treasurer position - David Vasquez is interested in taking over as interim Treasurer as Lorna will no longer be able to serve next Chapter year. Bhakti suggest that David speak with Lorna with regards to the role and responsibilities of the position. Angela Bourianoff agreed to take over the responsibility of reserving the restaurant for the monthly luncheons in the next chapter year, as these are outside of the Treasurer's responsibilities.

Conferences – Khiry and LaTosha volunteered to attend the SLM. PDT hotel scholarship submissions are due by March 30th. Priscilla expressed her interest in attending and requested one of the scholarships. Kieran was unsure whether he will be attending PDT.

University Initiative (Project Infinity) –

Houston Tillotson University showed interest in the initiative and provided Priscilla with a significant amount of information. A discussion was had related to hosting a panel/ discussion with State Agency representatives (e.g. HR Hiring Managers, Audit/ Accounting Managers) and University representatives in order to bridge the gap between the challenges State agencies are having recruiting millennials. Hosting this event would cost money for venue, refreshments, etc. The Board could potentially find a sponsor.

The subcommittee has run into issues with having enough student sponsored luncheons. The Board discussed and voted on having 4 student sponsored luncheons/ month (\$24 pp x 4 = \$96/ month) and letting professors dictate which students receive each month so that the same students are not attending on the sponsored lunch each month. The Board discussed sponsoring a student membership if they were to commit to serving on the Board.

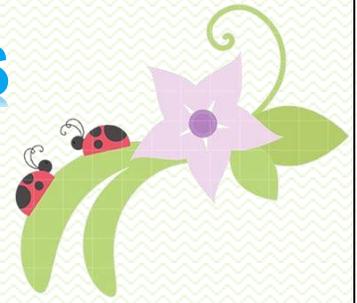
Board Nominations – Kieran will collect nomination emails and establish a deadline for nomination submission. Sharita will send an email to nominate Angie as the Education Program Chair. All individuals nominated should be try to be present at the luncheon.

Meeting adjourned.

APRIL MEETING MINUTES

Chapter Executive Committee Meeting

April 18 2018 - 12pm



AGA CEC Board Meeting Minutes

Roll Call:

Kieran Coe, Stanton Martin, Tosha Goard, Sharita Jefferson, Lorna Schwimmer-Staggs, Angela Bourianoff, Khiry Burke, Eddie Chan

Dave Vasquez was voted in unanimously by the board as interim Treasurer.

Leita Hart was the speaker at the April luncheon—the board is sending out a thank you and voucher. Ms. Hart expressed an interest in joining the AGA board. Kieran will reach out to Ms. Hart about joining the board.

May Luncheon – Karin Hill is the speaker for the May luncheon. Stanton will provide topic information and a biography to Eddie.

Lunch prices are increasing next year by \$2.40. Kieran suggested putting out a survey to members for a new location and asked board members to keep their eyes out for a new space. It was suggested to possibly look at hotels for a conference room that can provide food as well. Eddie suggested finding a community space where you could show up for free with your own lunch.

Historian Report – Sharita sent it months ago and Kieran needs to send it in to the National office.

Annual Budget – The budget is due in June or July and is usually discussed during the strategic planning meeting.

Networking Event – Everything is planned. Need someone to distribute tickets at the event. Whoever gets there would need to meet Lisa. We need tickets, a sign-in sheet. Khiry wanted to know how we wanted the sign-in sheet formatted—all blank or with the registered attendees. Eddie can provide a list of registered attendees later this evening.

University Initiative – Eddie, Priscilla, Keiran, and Tosha will send the networking event flyer to the students. Khiry will send out student targeted flyer to Eddie, Priscilla, Kieran, and Tosha.

Social Media Content – Kieran asked all board members to follow AGA's social media accounts.

Newsletter – No newsletter went out last month and the May newsletter will be a double newsletter. Shayla will not be participating on the board anymore. A card will be at the networking event to sign for her.

Board Nominations – Nomination email should go out as soon as possible and voting should take place before the next luncheon. The election results should be announced at the May luncheon. Kieran will draft a message regarding nominations and voting and Eddie will distribute it.

Meeting adjourned.





COMMUNITY EVENTS

March for Babies 2018 hosted by the March of Dimes, Austin

When: Sat May 12, 2018, 05:30 AM - 03:00 PM

Where: Old Settlers Park, 3300 E. Palm Valley Boulevard
Lakeview Pavilion, Round Rock, TX 78665

Email: Mrs. Eleanor Siff to volunteer: msiff@marchofdimes.org



March for Babies is a walk event for families who are affected by the March of Dimes mission (including premature birth, infant loss, and birth defects) to come together to celebrate their fundraising efforts and remember the children they have lost. We are a family oriented event and will have volunteer opportunities involving many different aspects of our event.

Touch-A-Truck benefitting the SAFE Alliance - Volunteers Needed!

When: Sat May 12, 2018, 08:15 AM - 04:15 PM

Where: 2200 W. 35th Street, Austin, TX 78703

Sign-up: <http://signup.com/go/ODNXBBj>



Touch-A-Truck is a fun-filled family friendly event that benefits SAFE's Children's Shelter! This event hosts a wide variety of vehicles for kids of all ages to play on while learning about how they serve their community - emergency vehicles, construction vehicles, and more! This year's Touch-A-Truck will also feature live music, plenty of food trucks, and a Kid Zone complete with a petting zoo,



face painting, barrel-train rides and much more. We need your help in making this event successful by assisting with admission, parking, keeping the area clean, and selling merchandise. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old; minors must be accompanied by a guardian. There are various shifts available.

Daisy 5k Volunteer Proceeds to Benefit Marathon Kids

When: Sat May 19, 2018, 05:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Where: Camp Mabry, 2222 W 35th Street, Austin, TX 78703

Sign-up: <https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/TX/Austin/ARCDaisy5K>

Marathon Kids is the beneficiary of Austin's oldest 5K -- The Daisy! There are several opportunities to volunteer on race day. Race day volunteer needs include:

- Race Set Up (Assist with course and start line set-up)
- Finish Line Attendees (Prepare and distribute food and water to race finishers)
- Assist with Event Tear Down (Disassemble finish line and clean up)
- Course Marshal (Direct runners on race route)
- Parking Coordinators (Assist with directing traffic in parking lots)
- Registration and Packet Pickup (Setup and sell ARC merchandise; Register runners and distribute race packets)

This is a great activity for children (10+), families, and groups. Other volunteer opportunities and times are available.



Enthusiastic Volunteers Needed at the Fit Foodie Festival & 5K

When: Fri & Sat Jun 22-23, 2018, 05:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Where: Mueller Lake Park, 4550 Mueller Blvd, Austin, TX 78723

Sign-up:

<http://fitfoodierun.com/austin-texas.html>

The Fit Foodie Festival & 5K/10K is a mouthwatering run that believes a calorie burned is a calorie earned.

For the 2018 series, Fit Foodie is thrilled to announce the continued partnership with No Kid Hungry. The No Kid Hungry campaign connects kids in need with nutritious food and teaches their families how to cook healthy, affordable meals. The campaign also engages the public to make ending child hunger a national priority. Hungry children suffer. And 13 million kids in America aren't getting the food they need. Nearly one in six children in America lives in households that struggle to put food on the table.



Volunteers 14 years old and over are welcome without a parent or guardian. Volunteers will receive snacks, water and a bunch of thanks from the FFF staff and our participants!



RESEARCH ARTICLE

Government Jobs in the Digital Age: What Will Be Left?

Vanessa E. Rossitto, CPA

To say the workforce has changed from a generation ago would be a dramatic understatement. Who could have foreseen the digitalization and rapid high-tech changes that have gripped the private sector, not to mention the virtual world that has appeared before our eyes? Before the turn of the century, automatic teller machines (ATMs) and pay-at-the-pump gas stations were cutting edge innovations we were still getting used to. Today, those are obviously still with us, but technology has completely deconstructed the way we shop, the way we communicate, the way we pay our bills, the way we work and the way we literally get from Point A to Point B.

The next natural stop for the Age of Automation, it would seem, is the government. And it is something for which we all need to be prepared, particularly those who have spent their careers working in the public sector. In many ways it's already here. To use one small example, let's look at the Department of Motor Vehicles. It used to be to register a car, or sometimes even renew a registration; people had to take time out of their workdays and wait in long lines often excruciatingly long lines to get it done. No more. It can all be done online, even for people with accompanying issues that make registration more challenging, such as back taxes owed. It can all be done from the comfort of the home or the office without wasting valuable workday hours. And that means major changes for the people who work those jobs.

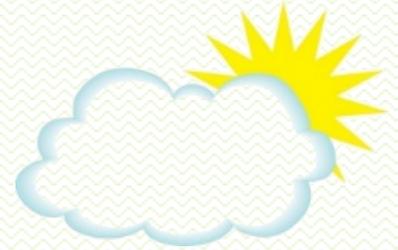
A recent study at Oxford University (called "The Future of Employment: How Susceptible are Jobs to Computerization?") found that numerous public sector

jobs could be at risk for obsolescence as automation and computerization become more and more the norm. Some of the leading professions in the direct firing line include library personnel, postal workers, transportation/traffic workers and even parking enforcement officials (aka "meter maids"). It's fairly simple to see how all could experience a reduced degree of importance in the automation age.

Naturally, this does not apply to all government-based jobs. The study makes it clear that computers are not likely to ever replace police officers, firefighters and other public safety workers, nor are they likely to eliminate teaching jobs, judges, safety inspectors or other areas when human intelligence and intuition cannot truly be removed from the equation. Still, the changes are coming fast; think of how quickly some assembly line workers have been replaced by machines, or how devastating the online shopping world has been to brick-and-mortar retail outlets. If it happened in the private sector it can happen in the public sector too perhaps not every corner of it, but enough for people to be drastically affected by it.

This does not mean those government jobs people have spent entire careers building are necessarily going to disappear tomorrow; what it means is we need to recognize that changes are coming and adapt to them before too long. State and local governments need to embrace innovation and find ways to shape these professions within the changing landscape, rather than fight against it and hope for the best. Employees should welcome opportunities for higher-tech job training in order to hone and cultivate newer, more useful skills. The key word here is "opportunity" those who treat this rapidly changing landscape as one will be much better equipped for what this "new normal" holds for them. It is impossible to foretell what the future holds, to know which technology will be next to wow us and completely alter our way of thinking. But we know it's coming, particularly in the public sector. And the challenge now is to keep up with it. Being surprised by change no longer works in the 2018 public workplace, but conversely, being ready for it should work to our advantage.

FUN FACTS



20 Fun Facts About Summer

Courtesy of: On All VitalChek Blogs, Vital Records

School's almost out. Vacation planning is in the works. The weather is changing, and you can already start feeling the warmth of summer. Whether your plans include staying close to home, going on a vacation, or taking a road trip, there's probably a lot of cool and fun things you might not have known about the warmest season of the year. We've compiled 20 fun facts about summer to help get you in the spirit of the season!

1. The first modern Olympic Games were held in the summer in 1896 in Athens, Greece.
2. The first day of summer is between June 20th and June 22nd every year. The first day of summer is called the summer solstice, and the day varies due to the Earth's rotation not exactly reflecting our calendar year.
3. The last day of summer is September 20th.
4. Watermelon is one of summer's best summer treats. Did you know that watermelons are not a fruit, but a vegetable instead? They belong to the cucumber family of vegetables.
5. The Eiffel tower actually grows in the heat of the summer. Due to the iron expanding, the tower grows about 6 inches every summer.
6. If you love ice cream, the summer season should be your favorite. July is national ice cream month.
7. Another interesting fact about summer is that television shows used to only be reruns during the summer months. The idea being that everyone was outside enjoying the weather.
8. A June fun fact is that the month of June is named after the Roman goddess Juno.
9. The first women's bathing suit was created in the 1800's. It came with a pair of bloomers.
10. The "dog days of summer" refer to the dates from July 3rd to August 11th. They are named so after the Sirius the Dog Star. This star is located in the constellation of Canis Major.



11. Frisbees, invented in the 1870's as a pie plate, but in the 1940's, college students began throwing them around. They have since stopped being used for pie plates and are now a summertime staple.

12. For a July fun fact, Roman general Marc Antony named the month of July after Julius Caesar.

13. July is national blueberry month.



14. The longest day of the year is on the summer solstice.

15. Mosquitos are most prevalent during summer months. Mosquitos have been on earth for more than 30 million years.

16. Most theme and water parks are on a summer seasonal schedule. Most amusement parks have a full time season from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

17. August was named after Julius Caesar's nephew. He had received the title of "Augustus" which means "reverend".

18. The first National Spelling Bee was held on June 17th, 1825.

19. More thunderstorms occur during summer than any other time of year. They are also take place more commonly in the south east of England.

20. Ice pops were invented in 1905 by an 11 year old boy.



Hopefully these fun facts have you excited for the summer. Now you'll be able to plan an epic getaway and create long lasting memories with friends and family.

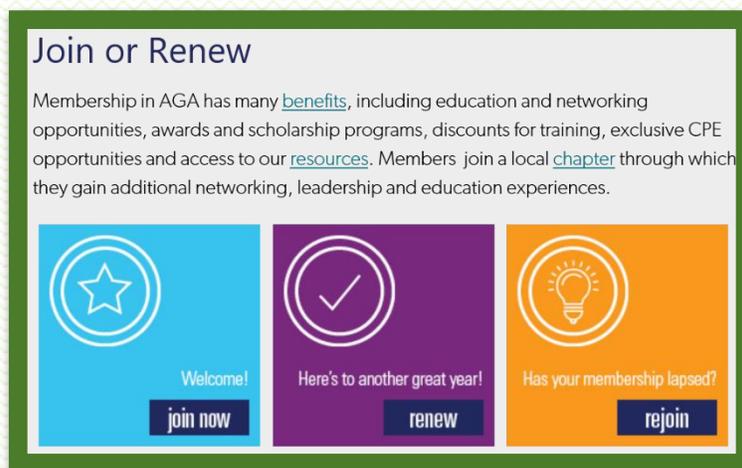


WHAT'S GOING ON WITH AGA IN 2018?

The 2017 chapter year was great but we have already started looking forward to 2018 and we have a lot in store for you! Our final monthly luncheon for the 2017 chapter year will be on May 10, 2018. There will be no monthly luncheons or other events until September. However, the Chapter Executive Committee will continue to be hard at work, strategizing and setting the mission for the 2018 chapter year. We hope everyone has a fun and relaxing summer! See you in September!

Membership Renewals

If you have not already, please [renew](#) your [AGA Membership](#)! Continue to enjoy all of the benefits including discounted monthly luncheon registration, education and networking events, and opportunities to attend regional and national conferences. Due date for renewals was March 31, 2018. If you have already renewed, Awesome! If your membership has lapsed, don't worry, you can still rejoin!



Join or Renew

Membership in AGA has many [benefits](#), including education and networking opportunities, awards and scholarship programs, discounts for training, exclusive CPE opportunities and access to our [resources](#). Members join a local [chapter](#) through which they gain additional networking, leadership and education experiences.

 Welcome! join now	 Here's to another great year! renew	 Has your membership lapsed? rejoin
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Linked In

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