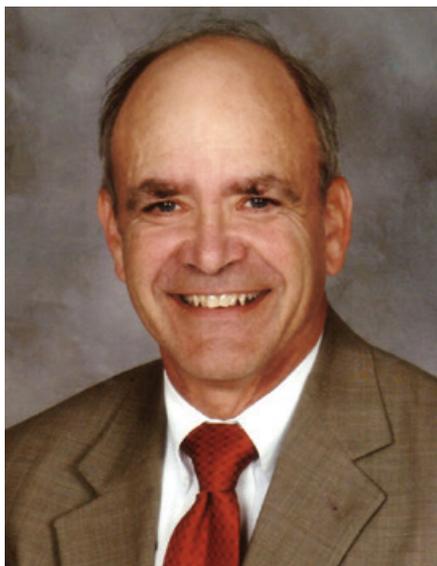




Final Entry



Meet AGA's Next National President **William D. Miller, CGFM, CIA**

William D. "Bill" Miller, CGFM, CIA is a lifetime member of AGA. Bill has been a member of 3 chapters, moving to local chapters in the vicinity of career moves.

Bill had a very successful career in the audit profession in the federal, state and local government arenas. He attributes much of that success to his involvement with AGA. The leadership positions Bill assumed with the AGA chapters and ultimately national level transferred to leadership skills in his chosen profession.

Bill lives in Grain Valley, Missouri and has 4 grown children and 10 grandchildren.

Please tell AGA members how your membership has affected your professional life.

I am a firm believer that AGA had a lot to do with my professional life. Leadership opportunities within the chapter, region and then further up to the national level, set the stage for leadership in the workplace. It took a little time before I volunteered to lead; but once I did, I saw value from both an organizational and a professional workplace standpoint. I served three chapters in different geographic locations, as well as made professional moves out of my home geographic area and learned how to lead in different environments. I reached high-level professional positions of which I attribute much of that success to the leadership roles that I encountered within AGA over the years.

What do you see as AGA's greatest challenge and where do you think AGA can and should impact?

While I think AGA does an excellent job in membership — in both member value and numbers, we can do much better. AGA offers excellent training and a first-class certification program — the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM). In its first 20 years, the CGFM program has grown, but more needs to be done. The key to the certification program is recognizing and showing the value of the CGFM. AGA represents all levels of government and the private sector. We should be able to substantially increase the number of CGFMs. As many know, when you advance in your career and move toward obtaining management positions, the CGFM credential offers a valuable competitive advantage. Oftentimes, when vying for a leadership position, certification is required of applicants. We know the value of CGFM for government employees; and our hope is that CGFM

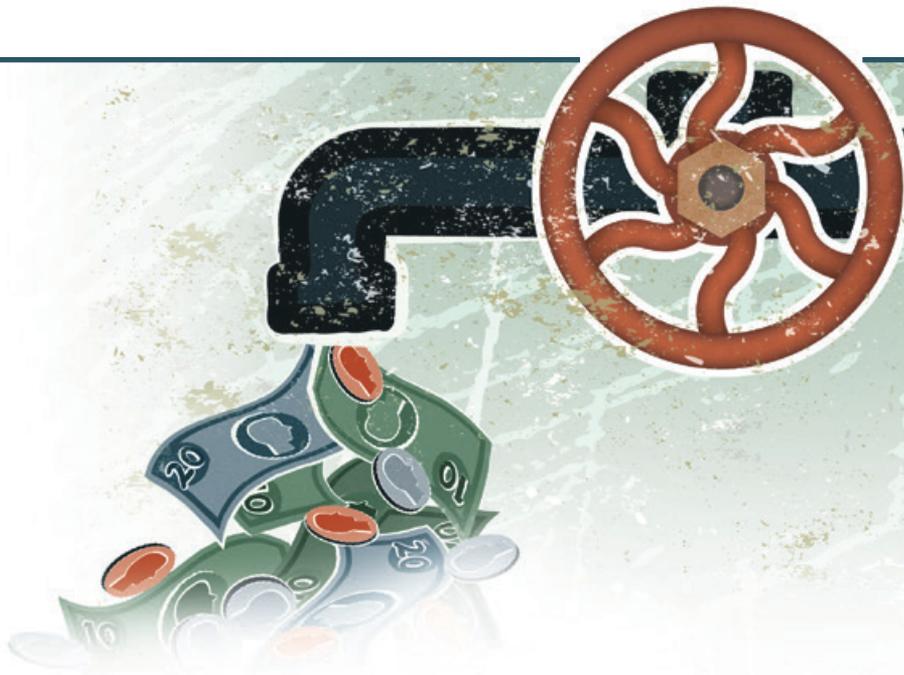
becomes the standard. The CGFM is the best-suited certification for government financial professionals.

Where do you plan to put the most emphasis in the coming year?

Programmatically, I will stress membership and CGFM certification. And, I will continue supporting and promoting the accountability initiative. I will work with the new Executive Director, continuing to promote and build on the proud accomplishments we have achieved and focus our vision for the future. I will be a spokesperson for AGA's organizational greatness.

What are you most looking forward to as National President?

As National President, I will be just one of many who make AGA a successful and highly-professional organization. I look forward to the collaboration with all of our members and corporate partners in developing programs and promoting leadership



opportunities for our members. It's all about making a difference. With energy and enthusiasm, we can make things happen.

Tell us about your professional career and your AGA career.

Professionally, I began as a staff auditor with the U.S. Army Audit Agency and served in the St. Louis district and national offices. I also served in the Office of Enforcement at the Department of Energy within their national office as a program director. Later, I served as the regional manager in Kansas City. Next, I served in the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as the Regional Director of the Kansas City office. I retired and became the Performance Audit Director for the Missouri State Auditor's Office. After retiring from the State Auditor's Office I finished my 48-year auditing career as the County Auditor in Johnson County Kansas.

My AGA career encompasses numerous chapter officer positions, including: Chapter President, Kansas City; Regional Vice President, Midwest Region; Senior Vice-President for Regional Services Section II; and, now, as National President-Elect, soon to be National President. I have been fortunate to receive AGA's Frank Greathouse Distinguished Service Award, the national Author Award, the Excellence in Government Leadership Award, the National Training Award, the Regional Vice-President Gold Award, the National President's Award and the Lifetime Membership Award.

Tell us about your personal background and include any information you wish to share about your family.

I have a professional and lifetime motto that guides what I do: "If you are not making a difference, you are wasting time." I have four children, three young men and one young lady who we adopted from South Korea. I take

great pride in the success of all four; all in different professions. I instilled, through my fatherly-duties, an ethic of hard work and a 'can do' attitude, and all four are very successful in their endeavors. I enjoy participating in, and achieving success in, my professional endeavors. For relaxation, I enjoy ownership of four classic cars that I like showing off. I also write Christian music and perform at local churches. I attribute my personal nature to my wife who supports everything I do. To put it bluntly, "life is good!"