



Lincoln Chapter Association of Government Accountants - Advancing Government Accountability

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Newsletter – March, 2020

Presidents Message

Following the social distancing guidelines the March Cybersecurity webinar was available individually and the April Chapter Meeting has been cancelled. The CEC will continue to meet using various methods.

April is normally when the Chapter votes on the new program year's slate of officers and directors at the Chapter meeting. We will be using email later this month to conduct that vote.

There are still several key positions open for next year;

- Co-Director – Education PDT
- Director – Accountability & Outreach
- Director – Chapter Meetings
- Director – CGFM – Professional Certification

Contact me if you are interested in serving, have any questions or for more information.

The AGA annual membership deadline has been extended until June 30, 2020. Emails are being sent to members that haven't renewed yet.

As always AGA membership provides various benefits. Make sure to check out the National AGA home page and check out the link to a page listing all of the virtual training and free resources that are available. There is also a COVID-19 Resources Exchange page to help get us through this pandemic.

<https://www.agacgfm.org/home>

Stay safe,

Ann Martinez, 19-20 Chapter President

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AGA Lincoln 2020 Chapter Meetings

Chapter meetings for April and May 2020 have been canceled.

Calendar of Events

All Events and Meetings for April and May 2020 have been canceled. However the CEC meeting for April is going to be held via Skype.

2020

April 16 – Thursday – CEC meeting via Skype – 12:00
 June 26 - Thursday - AGA National Free Webinar

Spring Professional Development Training (PDT)

The Spring PDT has been cancelled.

Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) Vacancies

The Director of Professional Certification and President-elect positions are open to be filled for the 2019-2020 AGA year. Please contact Ann if you are interested in joining the CEC.

AGA National Free Webinar

AGA members enjoy multiple free learning opportunities throughout the year. AGA National is offering a free webinar to members. The date is June 26, 2020. Learn more about topics, registration, and credit at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Webinars/Free-Members-only-Webinars.aspx>

NATIONAL AGA CHAPTER RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Standing as of the End of the 3rd Quarter - January 1, 2020 - March 31, 2020 is as follows:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Credits</u> <u>-</u> <u>Reporte</u> <u>d</u>	<u>Max</u>	<u>Percenta</u> <u>ge</u>	<u>Credits -</u> <u>Total</u> <u>Allowab</u> <u>le or</u> <u>Claimed</u> <u>to Date</u>	<u>Credits</u> <u>Remaini</u> <u>ng to</u> <u>Claim</u>
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Chapter Leadership, Planning & Participation	4,625	5,000	93%	4,625	375
Education & Professional Development	2,100	4,000	53%	2,100	1,900
Certification	2,025	4,000	51%	2,025	1,975
Communications	5,500	3,000	183%	3,000	0
Membership (includes Young Professionals & Student Members)	3,100	4,000	78%	3,100	900
Accountability	1,700	2,000	85%	1,700	300
Community Service	2,263	2,000	113%	2,000	0
Awards	300	1,000	30%	300	700
Sponsorships	800	1,500	53%	800	700
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TOTALS	22,413	0	85%	19,650	6,850

**Submitted by: Ann Martinez, 19-20
President**

Lincoln Chapter Facebook

Go to the AGA Lincoln Chapter Facebook page to stay up to date on AGA Lincoln Chapter events.

<https://www.facebook.com/Lincoln-Chapter-Association-of-Government-Accountants-138602086282831/>

Lincoln Chapter Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Ann Martinez, President, at 12:07. The meeting was held at Miller Time Pub, The Cornhusker Marriot, 13th and L Streets, Lincoln, NE.

Ann first asked if any guests or new members were attending. There were none.

Ann made the following announcements:

- The spring PDT is scheduled for May 14 at the Innovation Center. Topics and speakers are yet to be determined. *(Note this meeting was cancelled.)*
- The Chapter will host a national AGA webcast for continuing education on March 25, 1526 L St LL, from 1:00 to 2:50. The topic will be Cyber Security. This will be free to members and \$25 for nonmembers. *(This webinar was conducted online.)*
- The CEC for the 20-21 membership year still has vacancies. Vacancies include directors for the following areas: Meetings, Education, Professional Certification, and Accounting and Outreach. Members are encouraged to serve on the board.
- Now is the time for membership renewal. The Chapter charges no dues. The \$100 is only for national dues. Also, this is a good time to review your profile on the national website and make sure it is current.

The Junior Achievement Bowl-a-thon, held in February, was briefly discussed. Our Chapter has been helping with this since the 1980s. This year it was held at three locations.

Ann had Jeff Filbert, Co-director of Meetings, report on the next meeting and introduce the speaker for the day.

- The next meeting will be held at Leadbelly's on Thursday April 2. (*Note this meeting was cancelled.*) This is because the 1st of the month is too busy for accountants involved in month-end chores. The speaker will be Josh Overocker, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at UNL.
- Jeff introduced Paul Koehler. Paul spoke topic on his work in Government/Non Profit/Auditing consulting.

The raffle was conducted. The winner was Ken.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Ken Rouch, Secretary

Lincoln Chapter CEC Minutes – March 18, 2020

Because of the current environment and social distancing guidelines, the CEC did not meet.

However, there were numerous decisions made by consensus and two email votes.

It was decided to cancel the April 2 Chapter meeting.

It was decided that for the March 25 national AGA webinar, we would request national to allow our participants to participate from their own desks. This was approved and conducted accordingly.

The motion was made by Tim B that the decision about the May Chapter meeting and PDT be postponed till April 2 when circumstances are clearer. This was seconded by Ken and the motion passed unanimously by email vote.

The email vote was taken April 2 regarding AGA activities. The CEC voted unanimously to cancel AGA activities through the end of May.

Ken Rouch, Secretary

Members in the News

If you or someone you know has made a career change, had another significant life experience, or otherwise has news to share please email Frank Faughn – Chapter Membership Director at frank.faughn@nebraska.gov

CGFM Apparel

Looking to purchase a shirt with the CGFM designation? Whether you're at work, out in town, at a conference or on the golf course, show everyone how proud you are of your CGFM designation by wearing CGFM apparel. Buy yours today! Note: White

shirts will be embroidered with the red and gold CGFM logo, and red shirts will be embroidered with an all gold logo. A \$5.95 logo embroidery fee will be added to each item purchased.

Please visit the AGA store at: <http://business.landsend.com/store/agamembership>

CGFM Study Guides

The Chapter has purchased new CGFM study guides. Please contact Ann Martinez for more information.

Speakers and Topics

If you have any suggestions for speakers or topics for chapter meetings please call or email Lily Kathee, NMLS MBA 402-471-0601 Lily.Kathee@nebraska.gov or Jeff Filbert 402-472-8044 or jfilbert4@unl.edu.

Guests

Bring a guest to a Chapter meeting. They will get a free lunch. If they join you get a free lunch.

Email Addresses

Please remember to send any email address changes to Tim Channer so the mailing list can be updated. Thanks

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