



# AGA St. Louis

August 2019

## Sista Strut -Breast Cancer Walk

October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Saint Louis, Mo

The AGA Saint Louis Chapter is teaming up to Walk to fight Breast Cancer! Join the AGA-Saint Louis team by register by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Team Name—AGA St. Louis—Register HERE! <https://raceroster.com/events/2019/24216/sista-strut-st->

### Membership Promotions

Sharon Maull was recently promoted to a Branch Chief with the NFAOC. Please congratulate Sharon!

### Future Events

Look for future **October 2019** Luncheons and fun activities held by the St.Louis Chapter. If you have any suggestions please contact Toni Swedlund, President at [Toni.Swedlund@usda.gov](mailto:Toni.Swedlund@usda.gov)

### *President's Message*

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Please come out and join us for our first volunteer event – Sista Strut Oct 5, at 8:45am, I will be attending this event, so I hope to see your there! As we began to dive into our year, we will have more opportunities available if you are unable to attend this one. If you have any suggestions or you would like to see AGA support/volunteer to a cause that is near and dear to you, please let us know. We are also planning our first luncheon towards the end of October, please look for that information to be shared soon. Again, let us know how we can serve you!

“Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.” -Winston Churchill

“SERVICE Above Self” -Toni Swedlund, Chapter President

## 2019-2020 AGA St. Louis Chapter Leadership

President	Toni Swedlund
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Immediate Past President	Tony Malle
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Treasurer	Carolann Marker
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### CGFM Study Tip of the Month

When taking the practices tests learn to focus on key words and phrases to eliminate wasted time on filler details.

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT  
CAROLANN MARKER

Carolann Marker joined the local AGA St. Louis Chapter and has assumed responsibility as Treasurer for 2019-2020. Carolann came to St. Louis as a transfer from the Washington, DC Chapter where she spent the past 25 years working for the Department of the Treasury (Treasury). She earned a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Economics from the University of Pittsburgh and is currently about mid-way through a Master's program at Maryville University.

Carolann's long career began as a staff accountant in the Federal Career Intern Program (FCIP). She often considered her time at Treasury as working for the biggest bank in the world in that she had the responsibility for managing the Accounting system for the Federal Government. She would say that she definitely "grew up there" moving to a variety of entry level positions like Staff Accountant, Team Lead and Section Chief very early in her career. As she progressed in her leadership journey and the political climate within our Nation's Capital, she had the pleasure of receiving coaching and mentoring from a handful of outstanding leaders at Treasury. During her time working in the Federal Government, she also spent several months working for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and helped to prepare the President's Budget. She is pretty proud that as her name is listed in the report as a contributor! It was that experience that helped her pursue a position in leadership. Prior to leaving the Treasury in 2015, she was promoted to Director with responsibility for the Central Accounting Reporting System (CARS), although most people know Carolann from her time working as the Director of the Customer Relationship Management Division.

Throughout Carolann's 25 year career in the Federal Government, she has developed the ability to learn on the job and become a well-respected part of the government community. She also has raised two kids and recently celebrated 25 years of marriage to with her spouse. She is excited to be able to bring her leadership experiences to the St. Louis AGA Chapter while helping to grow our membership here in St. Louis. In 2016, Carolann's and her husband sold their home in search of a simpler way of life away from the hustle and bustle of DC and they are now settled in St. Louis as "empty nesters" enjoying life in the Midwest. Currently, working for the past four years at the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank (FRB) continuing to support the Treasury Department's core mission through system development

