



Upcoming Events

Quarterly Luncheon

Date: May 19, 2016
Location: City Club
Time: 11:00 - 3:00 PM
Cost: Members \$40
Non-Members \$55

Spring/Summer Social

Date: June 2016
Location: TBD
Time: TBD
Cost: Members Free
Non-members TBD

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President's Message

Members of the Accountability Community:

On May 19 we are holding our quarterly 3-CPE luncheon at the City Club on the top floor of the Bank of America Plaza. Details are on the next couple of pages. This luncheon is special in several ways. We have John Homan, the National President of AGA coming to meet our chapter members as well as many of our chapter's past presidents. John has a feature article on page 4. Kaki Roberts, our Regional Vice President is also coming as are Trish Wheeler, head of the DHHS IG shop and her deputy, Michelle Richards. All of our guest speakers will be speaking on CPE-qualifying topics and the interaction should be informative and a lot of fun.

Also, in June, we will have our summer social and we are open to your suggestions as to the venue. If you have cell phones that you have no use for, please bring them as a donation to the women's shelter. Battered women need cell phones to be able to communicate in times of need.

For those of you who attended the Professional Development Training on April 21st, we will be uploading the photos of attendees and speakers onto our chapter's website for all of you to enjoy and copy.

Finally, at the end of June, my term as chapter president as well as the terms of board members comes to an end. We are now looking to you to step forward and take on a leadership role while at the same time help the accountability community of which you are a member. We in the accountability community are depending on you to come into the light, join the board, and network with a great and impressive group of like-minded accountants, auditors, and management officials from federal, state, and local government organizations. And we want them to meet you too! Thanks so much for letting me serve you.

Ron Salo
AGA Dallas Chapter President

QUARTERLY MEETING

DATE: Thursday, May 19, 2016

TIME: 11:00 - 3:00 PM

CPEs: 3 hours

LOCATION:

City Club

901 Main Street, Suite 6900

Bank of America Plaza

Dallas, TX 75202



REGISTRATION FEES:

AGA members - \$40

Non-members - \$55

PARKING:

\$6 *w/validation* at Texas Club Garage (across from Bank of America Plaza)

To reserve a seat, please [REGISTER](#) by **12:00 PM on Monday, May 16, 2016**. Cash or check will be accepted at the registration table.

QUARTERLY MEETING

SPEAKER(s)/TOPIC(s):

1. John Homan, AGA National President
Issues and Challenges in Government Accountability (1 CPE)
2. Kaki Roberts, AGA South Central Regional Vice President
Project Management for Accounting and Audit Professionals (1 CPE)
3. Trish Wheeler, Regional Manager, Office of Inspector General, DHHS and Michelle Richards, Deputy Regional Manager, Office of Inspector General, DHHS
Data Analytics for Auditors (1 CPE)

AGENDA:

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| 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM | Registration |
| 11:30 AM – 12:00 AM | Lunch buffet |
| 12:00 AM – 12:05 AM | Opening Remarks |
| 12:05 AM – 12:55 PM | Issues and Challenges in Government Accountability |
| 12:55 PM – 1:00 PM | BREAK |
| 1:00 PM – 1:55 PM | Project Management for Accounting and Audit Professionals |
| 1:55 PM – 2:00 PM | BREAK |
| 2:00 PM – 2:55 PM | Data Analytics |
| 2:55 PM -- 3:00 PM | Closing Remarks |



A Time of Transition — Be Prepared and Proactive

John E. Homan, MBA, CGFM, CGMA
2015–2016 AGA National President

January 20, 2017 is quickly approaching and many of us in the government accountability community face an environment of inevitable change as an eight-year administration comes to a close. There has not been this much wholesale change at one time in Washington in a very long time, regardless of the political party in power. Similarly, 12 states will hold gubernatorial elections this November, many states could see legislative overturn at the same time, and several of the nation's cities — including Baltimore, Baton Rouge, Honolulu and Sacramento — will elect a new mayor, according to Ballotpedia. The times are tumultuous with our governments confronting issues such as fiscal sustainability and international terrorism; the expectations placed on the government workforce have never been higher. In this environment, it is essential that government departments and agencies have as smooth a transition as possible so the change that will occur does not cause any unnecessary disruption. All of us in the accountability profession owe it to ourselves and our nation to be prepared and proactive.

So, what tangible steps should each of us take during the transition? First, employees should be prepared to assist new leadership. Employees at all levels should update their resumes, not because they should fear losing their jobs, but because the first thing new leaders will need to know is who they are and who they are leading, what contributions each person has made, and how each person might fit into the new and oftentimes changed mission and priorities.

All of us need to re-familiarize ourselves with organization goals and objectives, and your role in your agency's or department's efforts. Now is also the time for senior leaders to thoroughly review and clarify objectives. In many cases, mission statements and operating objectives may not have undergone a complete review for years. Additionally, senior and mid-level leaders need to make sure the operating policies and procedures for business units are up to date since these may be in need of revisiting.

It is important that we not lose momentum on key initiatives — such as implementation of the *Data Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (DATA Act)* and support of new requirements in OMB Circular A-123 related to Enterprise Risk Management — during the transition and while the new leadership takes charge. Please use AGA's resources to educate yourself and get ready for the work ahead.



Board Members Still Needed!

Please consider volunteering to serve our chapter! We still need:

- Newsletter Editor
- Community Outreach Director
- Early Careers Director
- Certified Government Financial Manager Director
- Program Director
- Education Director
- Accountability Outreach Coordinator

It is a great opportunity to use your leadership skills. If you don't think you can do everything a position requires recruit a co-chair! Contact us at membership@agadallas.org for

Membership Anniversaries

1 year

Cristy L. Jones

20 years

Regina M. Anderson-Stevenson,
CGFM

5 years

Thandee Kywe Maung,
CGFM,CFE,CPA,CLEA



Recruit a Member Drive... WIN A MINI TABLET!

Did you know that a large percentage of new members join the AGA Dallas Chapter simply because someone invited them? As a valued member, you can impact the future of the AGA Dallas Chapter by sharing your experience with your peers, your staff, and others in your organization with an interest in government accountability. No one knows better than a current AGA member how beneficial membership is to advancing government accountability.

For the period of May 2015 through May 2016, for each member you recruit, you will have an opportunity to enter a drawing for a mini tablet. The drawing will be on **May 19, 2016** at our quarterly luncheon.



Not the actual tablet.

CHAPTER FINANCIALS

Dallas Chapter Statement of Account* As of March 31, 2016

Total: \$ 22,229.91

Share Checking Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 16,057.34
Plus: Deposits	-
Plus: Transfers	-
Less: Expenses	(673.00)
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 15,384.34</u>

Share Savings Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 3,706.52
Plus: Dividend	-
Plus: Deposit	-
Less: Transfer	-
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 3,706.52</u>

PayPal Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,614.47
Plus: Deposits	1,571.35
Plus: Dividend	-
Less: Fees	(46.77)
Less: Expenses	-
Less: Transfer	-
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 3,139.05</u>

* Unaudited

CHAPTER FINANCIALS

Dallas Chapter Statement of Account* As of April 30, 2016

Total: \$ 23,263.80

Share Checking Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 15,384.34
Plus: Deposits	296.96
Plus: Transfers	-
Less: Expenses	(37.50)
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 15,643.50</u>

Share Savings Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 3,706.52
Plus: Dividend	-
Plus: Deposit	-
Less: Transfer	-
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 3,706.52</u>

PayPal Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 3,139.05
Plus: Deposits	877.90
Plus: Dividend	-
Less: Fees	(25.62)
Less: Expenses	(77.55)
Less: Transfer	-
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 3,913.78</u>

* Unaudited