

Upcoming Events

AUGUST 11, 2018 ADOPT A HIGHWAY.

Join the Dover Capital Chapter at the Adopt-a-Highway in memory of Warner E. Roach, Jr. Everyone will meet at Mequoria's house at 170 Hampton Drive, Dover, DE 19904 at 9 am for donuts and beverages then drive to Hazlettville Road for trash pickup.

September 27, 2018 MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ACHIEVEMENT NOW SPEAKER

On September 27, 2018 we will have a Membership Meeting from 1 to 2 pm with lunch provided followed by Tyler Enslin presenting Achievement Now from 2 to 3 pm. Meeting will be held at Division of Accounting. Everyone Welcome!

AGA WEBINARS TO BE HELD AT DIVISION OF ACCOUNTING.

10/10/18 Internal Controls

01/09/19 Grants Management

03/06/19 Finance

04/10/19 Ethics

*Webinars are free to AGA members only.

DECEMBER 6, 2018 SOCIAL NIGHT

Social get together at Easy Speak in Milford between 5 and 6 pm.

Past Events

Dover Capital Chapter PDT 2018

Our chapter had a very successful Professional Development Training (PDT) with CLA held at Del Tech on May 10, 2018. We also celebrated our Chapter's 16th anniversary that day. We were joined by AGA CEO Ann Ebberts as the opening speaker. Copies of slides are available to attendees; please send a request to frances.cordell@state.de.us if you would like to have a copy.

CliftonLarsonAllen does a great job presenting on topics at our annual professional development training. Any suggestions on topics for 2019 please send to frances.cordell@state.de.us



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HIGHLIGHTS OF AGA PDT 2018.

This year the AGA PDT was held in Orlando, FL. and I had the opportunity to participate in the National Board of Directors meeting as well as cast a vote on changing the AGA governance structure, which passed almost unanimously with 108 out of 111 votes for the change. There were over 1,500 attendees and around 2,000 total in attendance at the PDT. Items of importance: the Treasurer's Handbook has been updated and there are new opportunities for students and CGFM candidates.

Financial Accountability and Disasters. There were three topics covered this year at PDT that involved Disasters. Natural Disasters & Accountability, It's a Disaster! Before and After, and Audit Tips for Federal Disaster Response Efforts. Unfortunately, one of the programs most susceptible to fraud is the Public

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Assistance Program that helps communities recover from a disaster. One of the questions we need to answer is how do we mitigate fraud in this type of program without adding additional requirements and paperwork. One area the Federal Government is also looking at is how to move into future with better technology. There are still situations where someone has to travel a long ways to fill out and submit a paper form to apply for federal money. Below is an example of the amount of paperwork required for one flooded area to receive assistance.



Leading from Any Seat "The Grit Project" Shannon Polson

– One of the first U.S. Army Women Apache Helicopter
Captains and Pilots



Shannon's message was simple, Leadership is about people and you can lead from any seat – you don't have to be a supervisor or even in a high position to lead others or be an example to others.



SHANNON POLSON

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"GIVING BACK TO THE PROFESSION"

AGA President John Lynskey





Innovate the Way You Innovate - Stephen Shapiro

The more you know about a topic, the less able you are to think differently about that topic. Asking for ideas is a bad idea because only a small percent have any value. We spend a lot of time on ideas that have no value or we ignore ideas that could have value.

How you ask a question- not too specific/ not too broad; don't always ask experts or those in just one field- expand or look at other fields that may do something similar

Do more with less/do less get more

Spend time defining the question and solutions will be easier





AGA PDT 2019 will be in New Orleans, LA July 21-24, 2019.



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KNOW A STUDENT?

Is your son, daughter, niece or nephew a student? If so, then let them know that AGA offers **FREE** electronic memberships to full time students!

They are our future workforce. Do your part to lead them to AGA and careers in government!

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2018 CGFM Exam Promotion

CGFM candidates, take any CGFM exam in August or September and receive a promo code for 50% off any CGFM exam taken before the end of the year.

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Here's how it works:

- 1. Take any CGFM examination between August 1 and September 30, 2018.
- 2. Receive a promo code via email, which will give you 50% off the price of your next CGFM examination.
- 3. <u>Schedule and take</u> your next CGFM exam using the promo code by December 31, 2018.

CGFM candidates: have you explored "My Path to CGFM"? Designed to assist candidates in tracking their progress, this is a useful tool to help users manage their CGFM certification steps and stay on track!

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AGA is committed to increasing government accountability and transparency. We have been instrumental in assisting with the development of accounting and auditing standards for the effective organization and administration of government financial management.