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Greetings!

Holiday season is upon us and I would like to extend my very best wishes to all of our AGA community. This is the time to spend with family and friends and to be thankful for the blessings we have. While you are doing so, please think about those who are less fortunate. We are accepting donations for the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanders. Just a little something can go a long way for those in need. Details are included on page 3. We will be

any time. On the education front, we have an upcoming webinar on December 11th regarding Internal Controls-Controlling your Bots. This is an

opportunity to pick up some much-needed CPE credits.

collecting items at our next meeting but will also accept donations at

We are looking forward to our upcoming speaker, Jeff Jordan, the Director of DAFS Enterprise Data Services, who will be presenting Oracle Analytics in the State of Maine. A topic of great interest.

For anyone interested in sponsoring a wreath for the annual "Wreaths Across America" campaign, you may visit https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/. Wreaths are \$15 and they are a great way to "remember, honor and teach about our veterans".

Please have a safe and happy holiday.

Regards.

Angela

Angela L. Dickinson

President, AGA Maine Chapter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Meeting Senator Inn Dec. 3, 2019

1st Tuesday of the month - this month only!

Are you using social media? The Maine Chapter AGA invites to you like us on Facebook.



Chapter Website:



AGA MAINE CHAPTER

For our December meeting we are pleased to have Jeff Jordan, DAFS Director of Enterprise Data Services, present Oracle Analytics In the State of Maine.

NEW ENGLAND REGION AGA

The Aroostook Chapter CEC meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month. General meetings are held as necessary.

The Boston Chapter holds monthly meetings and trainings September through June.

AGA NATIONAL

Financial Systems Summit 2019



Three reasons you should attend:

- Earn up to 6 CPE hours
- The Summit will be discussing financial systems modernization in a budget-constrained environment
- Network and connect

Date: January 9, 2020 Location: Washington, D.C., or virtual

https://www.agacgfm.org/FSS/FSS-Home.aspx

2019 is the 25th anniversary year for AGA's CGFM certification!

Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, demonstrating competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels.

CGFM Benefits:

Being a CGFM allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field. Website for more information:

https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx

How do you become a CGFM?

To earn the CGFM, you must fill out an online application and meet the following requirements:

- >Ethics read and agree to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics
- >Education have a bachelor's degree in any subject area from an accredited U.S. college or university
- >Examinations pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations
- >Experience have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management



NOTICES...

- Your feedback is needed!
 For those who have not yet done so, there is still time to complete the Maine Chapter AGA survey. Thank you to all who have already responded!
- Do you have an idea for an upcoming speaker? Please contact a CEC member. Your insight to help the Chapter is welcome.



TRIVIA

Santa's only female sleigh-pulling reindeer, Vixen, has antlers.
True or false?



Community Service Opportunities

"The joy of brightening other lives becomes for us the magic of the holidays."

- W.C. Jones



The AGA Maine Chapter November/December Fundraiser

The AGA is collecting donations for the Holiday Program at The Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers. We are accepting donations for items such as toys, books, games and new, warm clothing for boys and girls. These items will part of boxes of gifts and clothing that will be distributed to more than 1,700 financially disadvantaged children throughout the state.

It's the only program of its kind!

Non-AGA members can donate as well, by adding items to the designated box in your office. All items donated should be newly purchased and in original packaging free of dents, tears and dirt. Items collected will be brought to the December AGA meeting for distribution to the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers.

- Hats and mittens
- Clothing
- Pajamas
- Coloring/activity Books
- Crayons or markers
- Toys
- Games



If you have any questions or would like to make a monetary donation, please contact Heidi Ellis, Director of Community Service at (207) 287-1841.

Thank you for your support!

DECEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

For December, the Maine Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants monthly meeting will be held on the *first Tuesday* of the month, **December 3rd**, at the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Our guest speaker will be Jeff Jordan, DAFS Director of Enterprise Data Services, presenting Oracle Analytics In the State of Maine.

The lunch menu will consist of House Salad, Country Chicken Pie with Baked Apples and Broccoli.

PAST MEETING RECAP

On November 12, 2019, the Maine Chapter of the AGA met at the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Chapter President Angela Dickinson welcomed the Chapter. After lunch, State Controller Douglas Cotnoir introduced our speaker, Amanda Rector, Maine State Economist.

Amanda gave a fascinating presentation on Maine's population and workforce demographics, and presented the 10-year Strategic Plan giving us a long-term outlook of Maine's economic future.





TRIVIA ANSWER:

True!

Reindeer are the only deer species in which both males and females have antlers.

OUR CEC

For more information, visit our website: www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/

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Maine Chapter AGA Treasurer's Report as of 10/31/2019 ASSETS			
Cash and Bank Accounts	AGA Checking	\$125.00	
	AGA Savings-Share Account	\$9,108.61	
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		\$9,307.61	
Other Assets	Customer Invoices	\$1,625.00	
Total Other Assets		\$1,625.00	
Total Assets		\$10,932.61	
LIABILITIES			
Other Liabilities	Business Bills - Senator Inn	\$0.00	
Total Other Liabilities		\$20.00	
Total Liabilities		<u>\$20.00</u>	
Overall Total	A	<u>\$10,912.61</u>	

Maine Chapter AGA Income Statement as of 10/31/2019 INCOME		
Education—Webinars	\$0.00	
Charity	\$0.00	
Membership Income from National	\$360.00	
Monthly Meetings	\$136.00	
Other Income—50/50	\$39.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$539.38	
EXPENSES		
Awards	\$0.00	
Charity	\$0.00	
Education—Webinars	\$1,888.00	
Gifts Given	\$27.61	
Membership Recruitment	\$0.00	
Monthly Meetings	\$1,901.49	
Travel for National Speaker	\$0.00	
Service Fee	\$2.00	
Other Misc (postage)	\$11.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,830.10	
NET INCOME/LOSS	(\$3,290.72)	