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Upcoming Events

March 6, 2019

11:30-12:50 Lunch 'n Learn
Overview of State Treasury
Karen Austin
Deputy State Treasurer
1:00-2:50 Webinar
Finance
(Grimes Bldg Room B100)



March 27, 2019

1:00-2:50 Webinar
Cybersecurity
(Grimes Bldg Room B50)

April 10, 2019

1:00-2:50 Webinar
Ethics
(Grimes Bldg Room B100)

April 11, 2019

Spring Seminar—Early Bird Registration Open
John Lynskey,
National AGA President
Janet Phipps
Director Iowa Dept of Administrative Services
David Vaudt
GASB Chairman
Kim Hanson
Human Resources/PDS
(Noah's Event Venue)

May 15, 2019

11:30-12:50 Lunch 'n Learn
Cyber Security
Jeff Franklin, OCIO
1:00-2:50 Webinar
Fraud/Data Analytics
(Grimes Bldg Room B100)

President's Message – February 2019

In January and February we experienced quite the weather rollercoaster – from -50 windchills to +50 actual temperatures. I hope the Groundhog is right and spring arrives soon!

In March the Des Moines Chapter will be hosting 2 training events. On March 6 we will be celebrating Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) Month by providing free pizza, pop and cupcakes prior to the lunch 'n learn. Our lunch n' learn speaker is Deputy Treasurer Karen Austin, speaking on *An Overview of State Treasury Activities*. A webinar on *Updates to the New Tax Reform* will follow. On March 27, we will be hosting a cybersecurity webinar on *Protecting and Utilizing Government Data*.



In April the Des Moines Chapter will host an ethics webinar on April 10 followed by our all day spring training seminar on April 11. Registration will be available soon. Speakers include GASB Chairman David Vaudt, AGA National President John Lynskey, DAS Director Janet Phipps, and DAS Training & Development Specialist Kim Hanson.

National AGA's Financial Systems Summit (FSS) was rescheduled to March 28, due to the federal government shutdown. This is a great opportunity for members to receive 6 hours of free CPE from



their desks. Registration information is available on the Des Moines Chapter website.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Kim Knight, CPA
Chapter President



AGA Des Moines Chapter Member Spotlight—Kaylynn Short

Q) How long have you been a member of the AGA Des Moines Chapter?

A) I have been a member of AGA since August 1, 2016.

Q) How did you first learn about AGA?

A) I learned about AGA when I was at the State Auditor's Office and then when I left the Office and went to the Department of Agriculture I had to start finding and paying for my own CPE credits and decided to join AGA. However, it wasn't until I got to IPTV that I started attending Lunch n' Learns and Webinars on a regular basis.

Q) What organization do you currently work for and what is your title?

A) I currently work for Iowa Public Television (IPTV) as an Accountant 3.

Q) Favorite Cereal? A) Coco Pebbles

Q) Early Bird or Night Owl? A) Definitely a Night Owl

Q) Win a Vacation or Win a Car? A) Win a Vacation, but only if it is a really good vacation (same value as a car).

Q) Snickers or Sweet Tarts? A) Snickers

Q) Snow Boots or Sandals? A) Sandals—I could do without the snow & cold!



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CGFM Corner, Pam Sullivan



March is CGFM Month!!

Join the Lunch n’ Learn on Wednesday, March 6th for **free pizza** and **cupcakes** at the Grimes Bldg. in Room B100 at 11:30 am. The speaker will be Karen Austin, Deputy State Treasurer, with the topic “Overview of the State Treasury Activities.”

This is an excellent opportunity for signing up for the Certified Government Financial Manager program (CGFM). While attending the monthly Lunch n’ Learn or AGA Webinars, you’ll be earning CPE’s for your CGFM. You must be enrolled in CGFM before the CPE’s will be awarded. Why not enroll today in CGFM allowing you to expand your knowledge and experience needed to be an effective financial manager? Complete the online application and requirements at agagfm@agacgfm.org or call 800-AGA-7211.



Community Service

Chapter members and guests donated \$198, the Chapter contributed \$100, and the National Community Service Fund contributed



\$298 for a total of \$596 to the Iowa Food Bank. In addition, several canned items, peanut butter, boxed cereal, and pasta were collected and dropped off at the Food Bank.

**AGA - Des Moines Chapter
Operating Statement for the Period Ended January 31, 2019
For the Year Ending June 30, 2019**

	Budget	% of Budget	Year to Date
Revenues/Receipts			
Interest	0.50	42.00%	0.21
Membership Fees	300.00	23.33%	70.00
Webinar Revenues	3,120.00	68.21%	2,128.00
Spring Conference Revenues	9,500.00	0.00%	-
Nat. Recruitment Scholar.	-		-
Donations	300.00	59.67%	179.00
Member Meals	-		-
Total Revenues	13,220.50		2,377.21

**AGA-Des Moines Chapter
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2019**

Assets	
Checking	3,972.78
Less: Outstanding Items	-
Petty Cash	11.00
Savings	1,240.21
PayPal	1,179.88
Certificate of Deposit	-
Total Assets	6,403.87
Liabilities & Equity	
Equity-Unreserved	6,403.87
Total Liabilities & Equity	6,403.87

Expenses			
Webinar Expenses	2,934.00	86.49%	2,537.54
Spring Conference Expenses	6,525.00	11.49%	750.00
Postage & Supplies	80.00	0.00%	-
National PDT	1,700.00	62.15%	1,056.49
SLM	-		-
SLMR	375.00	0.00%	-
CGFM Scholarship	1,000.00	0.00%	-
CGFM Study Guides	-		-
Member Incentives	175.00	0.00%	-
Meals	-		-
Donations	950.00	51.21%	486.50
Miscellaneous	10.00	0.00%	-
Insurance	325.00	0.00%	-
Total Expenses	14,074.00		4,830.53



**Treasurer’s
Report,
Bridgett Wood**

Rev over (under) Exp	(853.50)	(2,453.32)
Beginning Balance July 1, 2018		8,857.19
Ending Balance January 31, 2019		6,403.87

Historian's Corner, Janice Evans:

Do you remember when AGA National Promoted Research Projects with a possible grant. The following was in the February 1987 AGA Ledger.



AGA NATIONAL PROMOTING RESEARCH PROJECTS

AGA's National Research Board announced 17 of its chapters in 7 regions submitted plans to undertake Chapter research studies during FY87. As an incentive to encourage AGA members to participate in research projects, the National Research Board has made \$10,000 available for research funding for this fiscal year, as a means to encourage research in government financial management by providing financial support for selected projects. Currently, AGA members from Des Moines Area Community College are reviewing this grant proposal and welcome any AGA member to participate in documenting a proposal to secure this grant award, which if approved and completed will give recognition to our chapter, as well as to individuals who participate in the project. Project proposals must be submitted by April 15, 1987 and must be concerned with "research in government financial management." Anyone interested in assisting or who might have recommendations on a specific plan or approach, please contact Irv Steinberg at DMACC (phone 964-6319).

National AGA's website now encourages research sponsorship and also includes Research Series Reports on a variety of topics.

See the following link for additional information: Chapter History Reports.



Congratulations to Norm Hulscher for becoming an AGA lifetime member after 40 years of continuous AGA membership. Norm, a retired Federal employee, joined FGAA in Detroit before it became AGA and transferred to the Des Moines chapter in 1987.



Community Service for FY2018-2019:

July - August:

Alzheimer's Association

September - October:

AHeinz57 Pet Rescue & Transport

November - December:

Youth Emergency Services and Shelter (YESS)

January - February:

Food Bank of Iowa

March - April:

Everybody Wins! Iowa: Mission is to increase children's success in school & life through one-to-one reading & mentoring experiences with caring volunteers.

May - June:

East Side Family, Inc.

We will be posting more information throughout the year on our website about these charities.

Membership Corner, Tracie Kirkpatrick:

Members can earn points as follows:

- 35 points—attend a webinar
- 20 points—attend a lunch 'n learn (LNL)
- 15 points—community service event (participation or donation per event)
- Contact tracie.kirkpatrick2@iowa.gov to report community service participation.
- 10 points—for each guest you bring to a (LNL)

New Members 2018-2019:

Samita Basnet (Iowa Secretary of State)
Jenny Podrebarac (Iowa Lottery)

AGA's Renewal Year is April 1—March 31. The renewal deadline for both AGA membership and CGFM is March 31. Remember to update your contact and demographic information as well.



Training Calendar:

Please view our training calendar at

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/DesMoines/Training-Events/2018-19-Training-Schedule.aspx>

Chapter Minutes:

Minutes of Chapter Executive Committee meetings and Monthly Lunch 'N Learn meetings are located on the Chapter's website. Minutes have been posted through the most recent meeting.



Please use the following link to review these minutes:

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/DesMoines/Our-Chapter/Chapter-Meeting-Minutes.aspx>

2018-2019 Chapter Executive Committee Members (CEC):

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Community Service, Kim Ashmore

January – February: Food Bank of Iowa. The Food Bank of Iowa strives to alleviate hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. In addition to monetary donations we will be collecting the following items: dry pasta, cereal, canned soup, toothpaste and soap. Chapter members and guests donated \$198, the Chapter contributed \$100, and the National Community Service Fund contributed \$298 for a total of \$596 to the Iowa Food Bank. In addition, several canned items, peanut butter, boxed cereal, and pasta were collected and dropped off at the Food Bank.



March – April: Everybody Wins!

Iowa. Everybody Wins! Iowa’s mission is to increase children’s success in school and life through one-to-one reading and mentoring experiences with caring volunteers.

May – June: East Side Family, Inc. (ESF). ESF is a community organization focused on uplifting, educating and feeding the youth in Des Moines, IA. In April 2016, ESF became a non-profit organization with a mission to help someone in need. ESF believes that hunger is a root to many problems and if ESF can feed, educate and uplift people to help change lives ESF is willing to do that.

Chapter Recognition Points, Marilyn Hanson:

Des Moines Chapter AGA points as of December 31, 2018

Area	Points
Chapter Leadership, Planning & Participation	4,500
Education & Professional Development	2,650
Certification	1,050
Communications	3,801
Membership	2,300
Accountability	800
Community Service	1,125
Awards	-
TOTALS	16,226

Citizen Centric & Chapter History Reports:

The Des Moines Chapter Citizen-Centric Report (CCR) and the Chapter History Report are now available on the chapter’s website. Click on the report for a link to the website.

Open Positions for 2019-2020 CEC

Have you ever thought of serving on the Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) for the Des Moines AGA Chapter? There are several positions open on the 2019-2020 CEC board and we would love to have you!

The following positions are currently open: Education Director, Early Careers Director and Director of Community Service.

If any of these positions sound like something you would be interested in or if you would like more information on any of the positions, please feel free to reach out to

Kaylynn Short at Kaylynn.Short@iptv.org or
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