



October 2019
NEWSLETTER

Message from the Chapter President

Fellow Chapter Members,

Fall is easily my favorite time of year in New Mexico. Our community seems to have a renewed sense of optimism and forward-looking energy with the start of school, the State Fair, Balloon Fiesta, the first football games, and, of course, audit time for many and the enjoyment we have of working long hours with our coworkers and IPAs to meet a common goal. This season is also a supercharged time for our AGA Chapter as we launch into a new year.

We had a hugely successful activity at the Isotopes game in August with almost 50 individuals from the Chapter attending with family and friends. I honestly can't remember which team won the game, but I do recall the great conversations with chapter members and the opportunities to connect in an informal environment. And lots of hot dogs.

The Chapter recently wrapped up our annual Back to School drive. Two of the drop-off sites I witnessed had overflowing boxes full of notebooks, backpacks, pencils and other school supplies that were collected and delivered to APS students. Thanks for remembering others in our community and giving back.

Our monthly education events start again soon with outstanding events scheduled on October 1st and October 17th at Council Chambers at City Hall. Please look for the announcements and mark your calendars to come! Our education co-chairs, Pam Fanelli and Sara Brownstein, have been working hard to assemble an amazing lineup of great speakers and events that are definitely not the "same old thing". Please take advantage of these opportunities to get out of the office and reconnect with your Chapter friends.

Thanks again for your membership. See you at an upcoming event!

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Save the Date



Your Albuquerque and New Mexico AGA Chapter Executive Committees are already hard at work on planning for the:

2020 New Mexico & Albuquerque Chapters Professional Development Training

**Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino
March 25 & 26, 2020**

More info will be provided here as it becomes available. If you have any training sessions you'd like to request, please send them to Marla Gorena at mgorena@cricpa.com



Enjoy podcasts? Check out AGA's Accountability Talks!

"Accountability Talks" is a podcast focused on the government accountability community. We hope these conversations will enlighten and inspire you as you navigate your career, provide fascinating insights from government thought leaders and encourage you to take part in this vibrant community.

They are available on Apple Podcasts and Google Play

UPCOMING TRAINING *Opportunities*

Our second training even of the program year is coming up next week! Anne Layne, Partner with McHard Accounting Consulting has developed a Jeopardy style presentation that makes ethics fun. We all need ethics training, why not have some fun while we are at it! The class will be held from 1pm to 3pm on Thursday, October 17 in the City of Albuquerque Council Chambers located at One Civic Plaza. This class is free for members and only \$20 for non-members, so please be sure and note your membership when registering with Pamela Fanelli at pfanelli@cabq.gov.



ETHICS: THE GAME SHOW

LET'S MAKE ETHICS FUN

Speaker: Anne M. Layne, CPA/CFF, CFE, CAMS
Partner, McHard Accounting Consulting, LLC

Date: October 17th, 2019
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers - City of Albuquerque
One Civic Plaza, Albuquerque NM 87103

Cost: AGA Members – Free
Non-AGA Members – \$20

NATIONAL PDT 2019

The 2019 AGA National Professional Development Training (PDT) was held in the Creole culture of New Orleans, LA. The city of festivals provided a vibrant backdrop for engaging training in emerging hot topics for government finance professionals. A Creole cooking demonstration kicked off a great few days, where attendees learned about a range of topics from Artificial Intelligence in financial fields to Human Resources issues facing the workforce we are part of. Albuquerque Chapter Accountability Chair Donna Sandoval participated in the compelling speaking session *Ignite!* And participated on the panel for *Data Driven Organizations*. For *Ignite!* she described her journey in accounting during a series of 20 slides in 5 minutes to a packed room.

Donna joined Albuquerque Chapter members Jennifer Baca, Heather Prudhomme, and Misty Schuck at the training event. Plenary sessions showcased the ongoing strategies of the GAO's financial position through a great question and answer format between Comptroller Gene Dodaro and AGA CEO Ann Ebberts, and other motivators discussed working with those who are not like us and living to achieve our highest dreams. The 2019 PDT was the highest attended PDT ever with approximately 2,500 government finance professionals in attendance and service.

In the service realm, the PDT charity drive raised \$30,000! All proceeds from raffles, silent auction items, and donations were given to Wounded Warrior Project, Habitat for Humanity, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The Albuquerque Chapter donated \$100 to the chapter challenge and a set of Nambe utensils that were hotly contested in the silent auction. We are proud to support the great initiatives of our National organization and support the ongoing education of our members!

During the awards luncheon, the Albuquerque Chapter collected three awards for the 2018-2019 program year: Platinum Chapter, CGFM and Community Service. Congrats Albuquerque AGA!



Donna speaking on her panel



Opening Day Lunch



Albuquerque Chapter's Awards



Heather receiving an award



Interested in taking the CGFM examination? The Albuquerque Chapter has current study guides (hard copy and digital) available for checkout on a first come first served basis. For more information contact our CGFM Chair Jennifer Baca at jennifern.baca@outlook.com.



Do you want to be an innovator in your agency? Well one of the best ways is to be the first to prepare a citizen centric report (CCR). The CCR is a simple and understandable format that provides information on your mission, spending, performance and outlook. The CCR is a visually appealing four-page document that includes community information such as population figures, regional characteristics and government goals for the community; detailed cost and revenue information; performance information for key service areas; and a look at "what's next" in the year ahead.

One of the many benefits of being a member of the Albuquerque Chapter is that Donna Sandoval is now leading a national Accountability & Transparency Committee. One of the initiatives of the committee is to mentor agencies that want to work on a CCR. If you would like one-on-one guidance to completing your CCR contact Donna at dmsandoval@slo.state.nm.us.

BONUS

Submit your report and you could
earn recognition!



You can find and read the CCR for the AGA Albuquerque Chapter on our website www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Albuquerque/Home.aspx

AGA National Important Dates

October 23, 2019

Internal Control Webinar
2 CPEs
Online

October 29 - 30, 2019

2019 AFERM Summit—
Next Generation of ERM: What You
Need to Know
10 CPEs
Online OR Washington DC

November 14, 2019

Shared Services Summit
8 CPEs
Washington DC

November 20, 2019

Ethics Webinar
2 CPEs
Online

December 11, 2019

Internal Control Webinar
2 CPEs
Online

January 8, 2020

Uniform Guidance Webinar
2 CPEs
Online

January 9, 2020

Financial Systems Summit 2020
6 CPEs
Online OR Washington DC

January 30—31, 2020

CGFM Intensive Review Course
18 CPEs
Alexandria, VA

February 5, 2020

GASB Update Webinar
2 CPEs
Online

February 12—13, 2020

National Leadership Training
14 CPEs
Washington DC

March 4, 2020

Improper Payments Webinar
2 CPEs
Online

Success isn't just about what you accomplish in
your life; it's about what you inspire
others to do.

AGA ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER *CEC Roster*

Below is the listing of your AGA Albuquerque Chapter Executive Committee. Executive Committee meetings are typically held the first Tuesday of every month beginning at 5:30 pm. If you'd like to attend, please email one of the officers below to receive location specifics as they do change from time to time.

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