



Newsletter

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2018-2019 Program Year

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President's Message

Robert Rizzo

Dear Members and Friends,

The first quarter of the Chapter year is in the books and things are going great! I appreciate everyone who attended our Happy Hour at Uno's Pizzeria & Grill and our first dinner meeting at Tesarra's. I would like to thank Heather Graham and Chantel Wilson from the Unclaimed Property Administration who spoke at the dinner meeting.

Since it's October, that means the 2018 Fall Seminar is quickly approaching. I can't tell you how hard the entire Fall Seminar Committee has worked on this behind the scenes. I want to thank each and every one of them! The Fall Seminar will take place on Friday, October 26 at Mercer County Community College. The theme is "Data Analytics: Leading a New Generation". Sessions will include a presentation on data transparency by speaker Ann M. Ebberts, the AGA National Chief Executive Officer, along with a presentation on the New Jersey Integrated Population Health Data Project. We will also have speakers from the Internal Revenue Service, Saint Peter's University and Lehman College.

To register for the Fall Seminar, please go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Trenton/Training-Events/Event-Calendar/2018-Annual-Fall-Seminar.aspx>. You can either register online or through the mail. Pre-registration ends October 19th.

That isn't our only event going on in October. There is a webinar on Internal Controls titled "Leveraging IT to Detect Fraud, Waste and Abuse" that will be held at the Office of the State Comptroller, 12th floor Conference Room, on October 10th at 2 pm. The webinar is free for members so please take advantage of these 2 CPE's. You can register at <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Trenton/Training-Events/Event-Calendar/Internal-Control-Webinar.aspx>.

As I mentioned before, any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out. Until next time.

Take care,
Robert Rizzo
Trenton Chapter President



SAVE THE DATE

2018 AGA Fall Seminar

Earn up to 7 CPEs!

Friday, October 26, 2018

7:30 AM – 4:45 PM

Mercer County Community College – Conference Room – 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor, NJ 08550

Refer to pages 3-4 of the newsletter for:

- Day At A Glance (*Draft - Subject to Change*)
 - Registration Form

To register for any of the events: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Trenton/Training-Events/Event-Calendar.aspx>

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **Trenton Area Soup Kitchen – Tuesday, November 6, 2018**

Eight AGA Trenton Chapter volunteers will assist the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK) in preparing and serving a meal for Trenton area's homeless. TASK provides hot meals everyday, as well as providing tutoring services for basic literacy, and medical services for the homeless and needy families.

- Where: 72 Escher St, Trenton, NJ 08609
- Time: 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM

WEBINARS

- **Internal Control – Wednesday, October 10, 2018**

- Where: 12th Floor Conference Room, Office of the State Comptroller
- Time: 2:00 PM-3:50 PM
- 2 CPEs
- Field of Study: AUD

- **Ethics – Wednesday, November 28, 2018**

- Where: 13th Floor Auditorium, Department of Labor and Workforce Development
- Time: 2:00 PM-3:50 PM
- 2 CPEs
- Field of Study: BETH

[Register Online](#)



TRENTON CHAPTER

**2018 Fall Seminar - Day At A Glance (Draft - Subject to Change)
October 26, 2018**

“Data Analytics: Leading a New Generation”

7:30 am – 8:30 am	Registration / Breakfast
8:30 am – 8:45 am	Call to Order, Pledge, Opening Remarks
8:45 am – 10:15 am	Session 1 – “Data Transparency – A New Normal”, Speaker Ann M. Ebberts, AGA Chief Executive Officer
10:15 am – 10:30 am	BREAK
10:30 am – 11:20 am	Session 2 – NJ Integrated Population Health Data Project, Speaker Rachel Hammond, New Jersey Department of Health
11:20 am – 12:10 pm	Session 3 – “Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies; FAQ’s, Fraud Prevention, and What CPA’s Need to Know”, Speaker Dr. Sean Stein Smith, Lehman College
12:10 pm – 12:30 pm	Luncheon Speaker – The Signal 22 Association– AGA Trenton Chapter 2019 Charity Recipient
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	LUNCH
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Session 4 – Topic: TBD, Speaker Glenn Gizzi, Internal Revenue Service
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	BREAK
3:15 pm – 4:30 pm	Session 5 – “Big Data and Data Mining”, Speaker Professor Jane Cheng, St. Peter’s University
4:30 pm – 4:45 pm	Closing Remarks, Seminar Evaluations, Awarding of CPE Certificates

Credits for Continuing Education:

7 CPE credits in the area of “Accounting/Auditing/ Information Technology/ Statistics/ Specialized Knowledge”

CPE certificates will be available at the conclusion of the seminar. In the event of your early departure, the certificate will be adjusted accordingly and mailed

AGA Trenton Chapter will also be collecting donations for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen as well as accepting donations for the Trenton Animal Shelter

2018 AGA Fall Seminar Registration Information

Group Registration:

- Complete a registration form for each member of the group and submit it with a list of all registrants. Include a contact name and phone number for the group.
- Each registrant's individual form should indicate the method of payment being used.
- Each registrant must sign the form.

All Other Registrants:

- Complete and fax, mail, or email the registration form; or register and pay online via PayPal at www.agacgfm.org/trenton.
- Please be sure to sign the form in the space provided.
- Pre-registration is encouraged; registration at the door costs more!

Cancellation Policy:

- If a registrant cannot attend, substitutions will be accepted.
- Cancellations will be accepted through 4:00pm on October 19, 2018.
- Cancellations received after this date and no-shows will be liable for payment in full.

I agree with the above terms of the cancellation policy.

Signature _____

Date _____

Fees:

Registration Type	Fee
Pre-Registered AGA or ASPA Members	\$110.00
Pre-Registered Non-Members	\$155.00
Day of Event (at the door, no credit cards)	\$165.00
Full-Time Students	\$75.00

Registration includes all presentations, breakfast, morning and afternoon refreshments, and a full course buffet lunch.

- Make checks and vouchers (do not mail cash) payable to:

AGA Trenton Chapter
Vendor ID #V530217158-03
DUNS# 966734985
CAGE code# 6YQD4

- Registrations must be received by Friday, October 19, 2018
- No phone registrations will be accepted.
- Send correspondence, faxes, payment, and questions to:

AGA Fall Seminar
C/O Robyn Boyer
Office of the State Auditor
PO Box 067
Trenton NJ, 08625-0067

Fax: (609) 633-0834 Email: rboyer@njleg.org

2018 AGA Fall Seminar Registration Form

Individual Information

Name:		
Title:		
Organization:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Email:	Phone:	
Total Enclosed: \$		

Seminar Date:

October 26, 2018

Seminar Location:

Conference Center at
MCCC
1200 Old Trenton Rd,
West Windsor, NJ 08550



Do you require a special meal or accommodation?

Please Explain:

Credit for Continuing Education

Level of Knowledge	Basic
Prerequisite	None
Advanced Preparation	None
Recommended Credit	7 CPE Hours

Payment Method

NJ Check or Payment Voucher	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal or Company Check	<input type="checkbox"/>

Registration Type	Fee	Select
Pre-Registered AGA or ASPA Members Chapter: _____	\$110.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pre-Registered Non-Members	\$155.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day of Event (at the door, no credit cards)	\$165.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Full-Time Students	\$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/>



RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Members' Spotlight



Digesh Patel for passing the Registered Municipal Accountant (RMA) Exam. We congratulate you on your accomplishment and are very proud to have you as a member of the AGA – Trenton Chapter.

AGA TRENTON CHAPTER – MEMBER RECRUITMENT

As treasured members, we can influence the the future of AGA by sharing our experiences with peers, colleagues, and others in our organizations with any interest in government financial management. Membership in AGA has many benefits, including education and networking opportunities, awards and scholarship programs, discounts for training, exclusive CPE opportunities and access to our resources. Members join a local chapter through which they gain additional networking, leadership and education experiences. Start recruiting today.

Provide the following information to our prospective members:

- Online application – <https://www.agacgfm.org/Membership.aspx>
- E-mail - agamembers@agacgfm.org

Telephone – (800)-AGA-7211 or (703)-684-693



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The mission of the MCIA is to serve the needs of Mercer County improving the quality of life for the residents by providing programs and services for the County, Municipalities, school and fire districts, and not-for-profits in the areas of financing, project management, redevelopment, solid waste and recycling.



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION PERIOD ENDING 9/30/2018

ASSETS:		LIABILITIES AND EQUITY:	
Cash (BOA)-		Accounts	
Savings	\$12,183.53	Payable	\$86.16
Cash(BOA)		Deferred	
Checking	\$10,239.37	Income	\$0.00
Accts. Rec. -			
Symp/mtg/Sem	\$0.00	Fund	
PrePaid		Balance	\$23,568.30
Expenses	\$1,231.56	TOTAL	
TOTAL		L&E	
ASSETS	\$23,654.46		\$23,654.46



CHAPTER DIRECTORS - 2018-2019 PROGRAM YEAR

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Immediate Past President/Nominating Committee Chair- Andy Bishop

VP of Membership - Kiersten Kokotajlo

VP of Finance/Administration/Programs - Christopher Schwartz

Treasurer - Tyler Frounfelker

Secretary - Michelle Blatt

Fall Seminar – Co-chairs: Robert Rizzo/Jessica Lippincott + Fall Seminar Committee includes but not limited to Rene Gervasoni, Andy Bishop, Brian Larkin, Tyler Frounfelker, and Marie Samson

Spring Symposium – Co-chairs: Robert Rizzo/Chrissy Brennan + Spring Symposium Committee includes but not limited to Meghan Ellis and Mike Salberta

Audio Conferences - Michelle Blatt/Thalia Treby

Sponsorship - Guy Tassi

Chapter Recognition - Brian Larkin

CGFM Chairperson - Margarita Stanislavskaya

Community Service - Stephanie Rybak/Chris Fuccello

Awards - Christopher Schwartz

Early Career - Taylor Leavy

Budget/Finance - Dave Illuminate

Newsletter - Marie Samson

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