

Association of Government Accountants

San Francisco Chapter



President's Message



We had a great luncheon in March! Ann Ebberts, AGA National Office CEO, talked about enterprise risk management. This topic is applicable not only to our work environment, but also to our personal lives. Thank you, Ann, for sharing the topic and the many resources.

We are glad to secure the following guest speakers for the next two luncheons.

- On Tuesday, April 24, 2018, Cherry Chang, Senior Internal Auditor from BART's Internal Audit Department, will talk about her audit on BART tickets sold through the customer service center.
- On Tuesday, May 15, 2018, the Chief Audit Executive of the Office of the Controller for the City and County of San Francisco will talk about one of their audits. This will be our first speaker from the City since the San Francisco Chapter was resurrected a decade ago.

As an outreach event, on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, from 5-7 pm, Sefton Boyars will present our chapter to the accounting students at San Francisco State University. He will talk about career choices and the benefits of AGA. If you are available and interested, please let any of our board members know.

We are also glad to share with you the following 8-hour training sessions:

- On May 29, 2018, Chuck Hester will provide training on cost principles.
- On July 10, 2018, Sefton Boyars will provide training on administrative rules for federal grants.
- On September 25, 2018, Bob Adachi will provide an 8-hour training; topic to be announced.

As you may know, AGA's annual membership renewal cycle starts on April 1st. I would like to encourage you to join or renew your membership. Members can attend our luncheons for free and obtain an hour of free CPE. If you become a board member, our chapter will also reimburse you for half of your membership fees, and you will also have the opportunity to enjoy many discounted trainings.

We included a couple of job openings in this newsletter. Be sure to pass it on to someone who might be interested. See you at one of our chapter functions!

Linda

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BART Tickets Sold Through the Customer Service Center

Monthly Luncheon

Tuesday, April 24, 2018 | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
San Francisco, CA

Cherry Chang, Senior Internal Auditor from BART's Internal Audit Department, will talk about her audit on BART tickets sold through the customer service center.

- Topic:** BART Tickets Sold Through the Customer Service Center
- Presenter:** Cherry Chang, Senior Internal Auditor
- Date:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018
- Time:** 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., 1 hour CPE credit
- Location:** San Francisco Federal Building
90 7th Street (between Market and Mission Streets),
Suite B-110, Basement Level (Please note the room change)
- Cost:** With lunch: **free** for SF Chapter members,
\$10 for non-members
Without lunch: free for SF Chapter members,
\$5 for non-members
- RSVP:** Register [online here](#).
If you registered for the meeting, but find that you cannot make it, please send us an email at agaluncheon@gmail.com before the close of business on Monday, April 23, 2018.

About the Speaker:

Cherry Chang is a Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) and Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) with over 15 years of auditing experience in both the public and private sectors, including 4 years with KPMG where she worked with various Federal agencies. Currently she is a senior auditor with BART's Internal Audit Department performing audits and special projects to ensure the District's programs are operating effectively. She holds a Master in Business Administration degree from the University of Texas and a Bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia.

Audits Power Strong Communities

Enhancing Audit Quality initiative

Audits tell citizens how their town is managing tax dollars and help small businesses get the financing they need to grow. Audits also guide investors in their next great venture. See how the AICPA is promoting high-quality audits through the [Enhancing Audit Quality initiative](#).

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Career Opportunity

City of Berkeley



Agency: City of Berkeley
Job Title: Auditor I
Closing Date: Monday 4/9/2018 5:00 PM
Salary: \$6,009.38 - \$7,093.04 monthly (Plus Generous Benefits Package)

The City Auditor's Office with the City of Berkeley provides independent oversight of City operations; its mission is to be a catalyst for improving City government. Our audits, conducted in accordance with Government Auditing Standards, provide the City Manager, City Council, and the public with objective, timely, and accurate information about City program performance. We help hold government accountable by providing reliable information and practical recommendations for improvement. The City Auditor's Office also provides oversight of citywide payroll processing and operations.

The City Auditor's Office has an immediate opening for a full-time career Auditor I. This position conducts performance audits of City departments and contractors, and performs more routine duties while learning City policies and procedures and becoming familiar with the variety of departmental systems and practices. As experience is gained, duties become more diversified and are performed under more general supervision.

The current Auditor I opening is with the Performance Audit team. The eligible list resulting from this recruitment will remain in effect for one year and will be used to fill vacancies for both Performance Audit and Payroll Audit.

Required Qualifications:

Education:

- Equivalent to graduation from a four-year college or university with a bachelor's degree in public policy, accounting, business, finance, economics, or a closely related field, which has included data analysis or financial/accounting coursework.
- For positions assigned to Performance Audit, a Master's degree in public policy, business, finance, or related field is highly desirable.
- For Payroll Audit positions, 24 semester or 36 quarter units of accounting, financial analysis, or similar coursework is required and two years of payroll audit experience is highly desirable.
- Up to one year of the four-year education degree can be substituted on a year-for-year basis by continuing education credits or other formal coursework, OR, up to one year of the education may be substituted for by four years of experience in payroll and benefits using payroll-related computer software, including data extraction or creating complex custom computer reports in financial analysis software.

Other Requirements

- Must be able to travel to various locations within the City of Berkeley to meet the program needs and to fulfill the job responsibilities. When driving on City business, the incumbent is required to maintain a valid California driver's license as well as a satisfactory driving record.

To apply:

To apply and for more information about [this opening](http://agency.governmentjobs.com/berkeley), please visit the City of Berkeley's website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/berkeley>.

Career Opportunity

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory



For more than 60 years, the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) has applied science and technology to make the world a safer place. LLNL, located in the San Francisco Bay Area (East Bay), is a premier applied science laboratory that is part of the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) within the Department of Energy (DOE). LLNL's mission is strengthening national security by developing and applying cutting-edge science, technology, and engineering that respond with vision, quality, integrity, and technical excellence to scientific issues of national importance. The Laboratory has a current annual budget of about \$1.8 billion, employing approximately 6,500 employees.

Lawrence Livermore National Lab is currently has openings for Cost Price Analyst and Subcontracts Analyst to perform financial, cost, and price analysis contract administration for complex, sensitive, specialized, and unique proposals and subcontracts.

Cost Price Analyst

Location: Livermore, CA
Category: Administrative/Management
Organization: Business
Posting Requirement: External w/ US Citizenship
Job ID: 103309
Job Code: Subcontracts Analyst 3 (F04.3) / Subcontracts Analyst 4 (F04.4)
To view and apply for this position: <http://careers-llnl.ttcportals.com/jobs/2455698-cost-price-analyst>

Subcontracts Analyst

Location: Livermore, CA
Category: Administrative/Management
Organization: Business
Posting Requirement: External w/ US Citizenship
Job ID: 103310
Job Code: Subcontracts Analyst 3 (F04.3) / Subcontracts Analyst 4 (F04.4)
To view and apply for this position: <http://careers-llnl.ttcportals.com/jobs/2455728-subcontracts-analyst>

Calling All CPAs – You Should Run for Office

AICPA Insights

CPAs are perfectly positioned to run for political office. Your training and education give you a distinct advantage over other candidates. Who better to bring tax and fiscal expertise to state and local governments than top experts? [AICPA Insights](#)

A More Effective Approach for Internal Audit

Journal of Accountancy

Organizations can better use internal-audit resources by enabling effective collaboration across three lines of defense. See [article](#) by Jason Pett, CPA, and Danielle Poritz, CPA.

The New OMB Uniform Cost Principles: What is the impact on the Accounting and Auditing community? HUGE

One-Day Training

Tuesday, May 29, 2018 | 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
San Francisco, CA

Grants management reform is here! And you need to begin now to adjust your procedures to shift their focus from “process” to “performance.” In December 2013, the Office of Management Budget (OMB) issued a new set of regulations covering Federal grants. The document has been dubbed “the Uniform Guidance” because it revised virtually all the general grant regulations: the Administrative Rules, the Cost Principles, and the Single Audit requirements. These new rules went into effect after Christmas 2014. All persons who deal with Federal grants will need to be aware and be ready for the changes.

- This portion of the course will discuss the new 2 CFR 200, Subpart E and related Appendices under the Uniform Grants Guidance and its implications for grants and other agreements.
- We will also cover how the new audit requirements differ from OMB Circular A-133.
- In addition, we will cover the implications of audit findings, the audit resolution process as well as enforcement and termination actions.

The course is directed towards all levels (basic/intermediate/advanced) of accountants, auditors, and finance officials responsible for Federal grants management.

CPE Credit: The class offers 8 hours of CPE.

Location: San Francisco Federal Building, 90 7th Street (between Market and Mission Streets), Room 4-400

Cost: The fee for the one-day course is \$125 for AGA-members, \$150 for non-members. The AGA chapter will provide morning coffee and lunch (sandwiches and beverages).

Registration: Contact Chuck Hester at charleshester@msn.com.
Space is limited to the room capacity and spots will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

About the Speaker:



Charles (Chuck) Hester, Sr. served as the Western District Inspector General and Audit Manager for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) until his retirement in 1995. Chuck is currently an AGA National Chapter's West Coast Regional Vice President supporting over a dozen western region chapters. Chuck is also on the AGA San Francisco Chapter board as an Education Director responsible for planning the chapter's all-day training classes.

Upcoming Trainings

Save the Date

Date	Instructor	Topic
Tue, 7/10/18	Sefton Boyars	Administrative Rules for Federal Grants
Tue, 9/25/18	Bob Adachi	To be announced