

# February 2022

## NEWSLETTER



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# CEC Profile

## Emily Wilson



Hi everyone! My name is Emily Wilson and I currently serve as the Education Chair for the Albuquerque Chapter of the AGA. In my current role, I am responsible for developing the education program for the year, surveying members on topics of interest, and connecting with presenters. I started as the Education Chair in July of 2021 and am excited to continue bringing CPE events to our chapter this program year.

A little background about me, I work for CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen) as an Assurance Manager serving state and local government clients. I've spent the last five years working in public accounting with a primary focus on financial statement audits, federal single audits, and consulting engagements. I graduated from the University of New Mexico with a Master of Accountancy in Information Assurance. I received my CPA designation in 2018 and Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) in 2020.

Being a part of the Albuquerque CEC has given me the opportunity to meet and network with individuals throughout the profession. I'm grateful to be able to serve on the board and help to organize trainings for our membership. If you have a topic you would like covered in future trainings or are interested in presenting at an Albuquerque Chapter webinar, please reach out. The CEC would love to have your input!

# Welcome

## NEW MEMBERS

We are so glad to have you as part of our Chapter!

- ♦ Vanessa Cclulli Bernal, City of Albuquerque
- ♦ Erika Faulkner, City of Albuquerque
- ♦ Rebecca Sanouvong, City of Albuquerque
- ♦ Keith Benge, City of Albuquerque
- ♦ Channing Brown, City of Albuquerque
- ♦ Lisa Pacheco, NM Metropolitan Court
- ♦ Robert Lemon, Carr Riggs & Ingram, LLC
- ♦ Gwendolyn Mansfield-Vogt, Carr Riggs & Ingram, LLC
- ♦ Jonathan McKee, Carr Riggs & Ingram, LLC
- ♦ Kaylee Brown, UNM Student

## Membership Milestones

Congratulations to our fellow Chapter members who achieved membership milestones this month. We appreciate your loyalty and participation in the Chapter!

**1 YEAR**

Dolores Parea

Eric Spurlin

**10 YEARS**

Clark Cagle, CGFM

Marty Mathisen, CGFM

Watch  
YOUR INBOX!

## PDT IS COMING IN APRIL!

- ♦ What will be the dates?
- ♦ Will it be in person, virtual or hybrid?
- ♦ Where will it happen?
- ♦ Masks or no masks?
- ♦ Who will be the keynote speakers?
- ♦ How much is registration?
- ♦ What kind of SWAG can I collect?

These and many more questions will be answered in the coming weeks. Your PDT committee is busy navigating the uncertainties of COVID-19 and planning New Mexico's premier government accounting event. **Stay tuned!**



Don't Forget to Join/Renew Membership by March 31, 2022!

## AGA Membership Has Privileges

### Like Saving Money?

- AGA's training opportunities are value-priced, and members receive discounted (and free) rates

### Got Problems? AGA has Solutions!

- Intergov features **FREE** tools to prevent fraud, reduce improper payments, improve outcomes and mitigate risk

### Extra! Extra! Read All About It!

- Membership includes a subscription to the quarterly Journal. The latest issue focuses on Leadership in Challenging Times.

### Zero Dollars!

- Members receive quarterly webinars for **FREE**! That's 6 CPEs annually.

### Can't Sleep?

- Access recordings from AGA events and earn CPE at your pace, at any time - day or night. We are always open! And...members receive discounted rates!

### Informative, Insightful, Thought-Provoking...All for You!

- AGA's Accountability Talks Podcasts are a convenient, mobile, **FREE** way to learn hot topics in govt financial management

### Get a Leg Up on the Competition

- AGA members receive discounts on the CGFM application and renewal fees, as well as the Intensive Review Course

### Here's My Number...So Call Me Maybe

- Members find and connect with fellow members via the AGA membership directory



▽ ▽ And So Much More! Learn more and share with your colleagues: [agacgfm.org/benefits](http://agacgfm.org/benefits) ▽ ▽

## Not A Member? Consider Joining Us!

**WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME**

“AGA provides the tools through training, networking, professional certifications and ongoing education that enhance skills and advance careers!”

**Danita Barnes**  
Investment Office Administrator  
Virginia Retirement System

**WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME**

“AGA is the extended family you didn't know you needed. You can build and maintain a professional network and better yet, personal connections.”

**Carla Flores**  
CFO Data Analytics Lead  
IRS

**WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME**

“AGA provides a great platform for networking and education. It is a one stop for all my career needs!”

**Bryan Coltrill, CGFM**  
Staff Accountant  
Worthington City School District

**WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME**

“AGA has opened doors, relationships, experiences and opportunities... I'm a proud member, past chapter president and a huge advocate for others to join!”

**Bill Hughes, CGFM**  
Partner  
CohnWorrick

**WHAT AGA MEANS TO ME**

“AGA provides opportunities to lead, expand your network, cultivate your skills, and develop knowledge beyond what is commonly advertised.”

**Kameron Eckstein**  
Student  
Indiana University



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# SUPCOMING CHAPTER TRAINING



## AGA Albuquerque Chapter 1st March Webinar

### Budgets and Forecasting for Planning Credibility

presented by **Aaron Hamilton, CPA**  
Senior Manager with Moss Adams LLP

**Tuesday, March 1, 2022**

**12:00 - 1:00pm**

1 hour of Yellow Book Technical CPE | no charge this month

Register here: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwuf-gggTsiHdUSqzSILTINS2AkqTmXtOHK> or email attendee names and email addresses to [emily.wilson@CLAconnect.com](mailto:emily.wilson@CLAconnect.com)



## AGA Albuquerque Chapter 2nd March Webinar

### Risk Assessment: The Commonly Overlooked Considerations

presented by **Rob Lemmon**  
Partner with the Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC

**Wednesday, March 16, 2022**

**12:00 - 1:00pm**

1 hour of Yellow Book Technical CPE | no charge this month

Register here: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvdu2przIoGNHvjhoyk3kwgLyvEFI69dpN> or email attendee names and email addresses to [emily.wilson@CLAconnect.com](mailto:emily.wilson@CLAconnect.com)



## AGA National Training Opportunities

*all events are virtual  
(NLT is hybrid)*

Register at [agacqfm.org](http://agacqfm.org)

**February 23-24, 2022**

### IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

#### National Leadership Training

**14 CPEs**

\$525 for members

\$675 for non-members

**DONNA SANDOVAL WILL BE PRESENTING & SERVES AS CO-CHAIR**

**March 2, 2022 12:00-1:50pm**

#### Improper Payments

**2 CPEs**

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

**March 9, 2022 11:00am-3:30pm**

#### AGA Women's Forum

**5 CPEs**

Free for members!

**March 16, 2022 12:00-1:15pm**

#### March Member's Webinar: Retrospective on Financial Report of US Government

**1.5 CPEs**

Free for members!

**March 23, 2022 12:00-1:50 pm**

#### Cybersecurity/ERM

**2 CPEs**

\$59 for members

\$99 for non-members

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](mailto:jennifern.baca@outlook.com).



# COMMUNITY SERVICE



## Holiday Donation Recipient—Ronald McDonald House Charities New Mexico

Ronald McDonald House Charities New Mexico was the successful recipient of our \$250 holiday donation. Ronald McDonald House provides comfort, care and a “home-away-from-home” for families whose children are in medical treatment. The charity serves New Mexico families from across the state many who would not be able to keep their immediate families together during such a stressful time without the help of services provided by Ronald McDonald House.

We encourage everyone to consider making your own donation at <https://www.rmhc-nm.org> where you can Sponsor A Meal for families or check out their Amazon wish list at Amazon Smile. Ronald McDonald House also accepts generous gift donations such as travel-sized toiletry kits, activity kits with coloring books and puzzles, or donate a Family fun night with microwave popcorn, pre-packaged healthy snacks and a family friendly DVD.

## Pet Photo Contest



Congratulations to Debbie Casaus and Josie, her Mini Australian Shepherd! Josie is the winner of our inaugural Pet Photo Contest and the first to respond to the contest announced in last month's newsletter. Debbie won a \$10 gift card to Satellite Coffee. Hopefully, they have some delicious doggy treats for Josie. Thanks!

Stay tuned for future contests as we celebrate our fundraising efforts for deserving local charities.

## Animal Humane of New Mexico



Attendees at our 2021 Winter Series voted for our next Chapter donation to benefit some of our local four-legged friends at Animal Humane of New Mexico. Their mission is to support and improve the lives of New Mexico's cats and dogs through sheltering, adoptions, humane education, and veterinary services.

Animal Humane of New Mexico serves 10,000 homeless & at-risk dogs and cats each year. Animal Humane does not euthanize based on age or length of stay. To help animals find their forever home, adoption questionnaires are completed to match you with the pet that will compliment your personality and ensure love and happiness for you both. Learn more about adoption, volunteering and how to donate at <https://animalhumanenm.org/about-animal-humane/>.

# AGA ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

## *2021-2022 CEC Roster*

Below is the listing of your AGA Albuquerque Chapter Executive Committee. CEC meetings are held virtually the first Tuesday of every month beginning at 5:30 pm. If you'd like to attend, please email one of the officers below.

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