

AGA Phoenix Chapter (www.agaphoenix.org)

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Message From the President



The audio-conference, Digital Evolution of the CFO, on June 17, 2017 marked the last scheduled event for the program year 2016-2017. However, just because there will be no programs offered for the next couple months, there is still a lot going on. As summer begins, we will spend time planning ahead for the program year to come, and will hold our next program event during the month of September. Now is the time to indicate your interest in assisting on the Board, or submitting your feedback, so that we can plan and sculpt the education program that you would like to see for the upcoming year. You can reach out to us at contact@agaphoenix.org.

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On July 9th through 12th, AGA National will hold its Professional Development Training (PDT) in Boston, Massachusetts. This event will offer 24 CPEs and can be attended in person, or virtually. This event is a good way to stay on the cutting edge of your profession, to improve your job effectiveness and a way to network and connect with others. In order to learn more about this event, visit the AGA website here: <https://www.agacgfm.org/pdt2017>.

At the PDT, our Chapter will receive the Platinum Award at the July 12th ceremony. This news is very exciting for the Phoenix Chapter. The Platinum Award is the highest one a chapter of AGA can obtain, and recognizes a great year of programs for our members. The Chapter Recognition Program is managed by AGA National Office and consists of eight areas: Chapter Leadership, Education, Certification, Communications, Membership/Early Careers, Accountability, Community Service and Awards. Credits for various activities in each category are earned as the chapters implement certain things in their program, like producing a monthly newsletter. This is a way that AGA National guides its chapters towards producing a successful program and focusing toward shared priorities.

Thank you all for a successful program year. It can be even better in the coming year, if you get involved, or give us your feedback, so please don't hesitate to do so. Have a great summer all!

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Resources:



- Study guides available to members
- CGFM Review Course Oct 30th—Nov 3rd
- Reimbursement to successful CGFM candidates for exam and app fees

Gergana Kovatcheva, CPA, CGFM

President

AGA Phoenix Chapter

**AGA Phoenix Chapter to be awarded Platinum Award
at AGA PDT in Boston**



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Education and Meeting Plan **Draft**
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Date	Event	Topic	CPE Credit	Registration Dead-line	Location
9/13/17	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 10:30am-11:00am, Audio Conference 11:00am-12:50pm	TBD	2	9/8/17	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
10/11/17	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 10:30am-11:00am, Seminar 11:00am-12:50pm	TBD	2	10/6/17	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
11/15/17	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 11:30am-12:00pm, Audio Conference 12:00pm-1:50pm	TBD	2	11/10/17	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
12/6/17	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 11:30am-12:00pm, Seminar 12:00pm-1:50pm	Holiday Social	2	12/1/17	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
1/10/18	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 11:30am-12:00pm, Seminar 12:00pm-1:50pm	Miller	2	1/5/18	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
1/19/18*	8:00am-8:30am Continental Breakfast 8:30am-12:00pm-Class	Ethics—ASCPA	4	1/12/18	Maricopa Community College 2411 W. 14th Street, 1st Floor—Employee Lounge Tempe, Arizona 85281
2/7/18	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 11:30am-12:00pm, Audio Conference 12:00pm-1:50pm	TBD	2	2/2/18	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
2/16/18*	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 11:30am-12:00pm, Seminar 12:00p-12:50pm	ASRS	1	2/9/18	ASU Skysong Bldg. 3, Synergy II #135 1475 N. Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
	1:00pm-1:50pm	Deferred Comp	1		
	1:50pm-2:40pm	Federal Tax Update	1		
	2:40pm-3:30pm	State Tax Update	1		
	Total		4		
3/7/18	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 11:30am-12:00pm, Audio Conference 12:00pm-1:50pm	TBD	2	3/2/18	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257

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Date	Event	Topic	CPE Credit	Registration Dead-line	Location
4/11/18	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 10:30am-11:00am, Audio Conference 11:00am-12:50pm	TBD	2	4/6/18	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
4/27/18*	8:00am-4:00pm PDT	AGA President	1	4/20/18	Rio Salado College 2323 W. 14th St. Tempe, AZ 85281
			1		
		State Treasurer—DeWit	1		
		GASB Updates	2		
		SAS Updates	1		
			2		
	Total	8			
5/16/18	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 10:30am-11:00am, Seminar 11:00am-12:50pm	TBD	2	5/11/18	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
6/13/18	Chapter Meeting-Lunch 10:30am-11:00am, Audio Conference 11:00am-12:50pm	TBD	2	6/8/18	ASU Skysong Global Room 301 1475 N Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257
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*These events are not monthly chapter meetings and will be at an additional cost. Details will be provided in future newsletters and/or on the Calendar of Events page on our website.

Prospective members are welcome to learn more about us by attending a monthly chapter meeting. Registration per monthly chapter meeting date, which includes lunch, is as follows:

Members:

\$25 each monthly chapter meeting, or package deal—\$220 for all sessions*

Non-Members

\$40 each monthly chapter meeting

*excludes special events (Ethics, Tax Update and Professional Development Training—PDT)

To RSVP, please go to our online registration site: <http://agaphoenix.eventbrite.com>

Thank you for your interest!

AGA Phoenix Chapter, Treasurer's Reports - May 2017

Treasurer's Report

Book Balance 4/30/2017	\$6,409.13
Receipts	\$457.82
Disbursements	\$2,713.33
Book Balance 5/31/17	\$4,153.62
Outstanding Checks	\$474.03
Outstanding Deposits	\$20.00
Adjusted Book Balance	\$4,607.65
<u>Account Balance</u>	
Cash on Hand	\$50.00
Savings Balance	\$5.00
Your Savings Balance	\$467.02
Money Market Account	\$2,164.87
Checking Balance	\$1,920.76
	\$4,607.65
Difference Adjusted Book vs Bank	(\$0.00)

Balance Sheet

5/31/2017

Cash and Bank Accounts	
Cash on Hand	\$50.00
Savings Balance	\$5.00
Your Savings Balance	\$467.02
Money Market Fund	\$2,164.87
Checking Balance	\$1,920.76
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	\$4,607.65
Inventory	\$22.98
Speaker Gifts	\$45.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,675.63
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
TOTAL Liabilities	\$0
Equity	\$4,675.63

Announcements - Job Postings

Finance Manager—Financial Services—City of Goodyear. Annual Salary \$81,924.96-\$121,617.81. Some of the job duties include:

Performs professional level work of a managerial, technical and supervisory nature associated with municipal accounting and financing. Supervises general accounting division which maintains accounts payable, accounts receivable, capital assets, cash and investment management, general ledger, grant accounting, financial reporting, payroll, functions and related official City financial records. Internal control of transactions for accounting and other subsystems. This position exercises a high degree of initiative, independence, professional expertise, and supervisory skills in the day-to-day general development and management of the City's accounting system including the preparation of financial statements, maintenance of the general ledger and auxiliary accounts, analysis and preparation, grant management, and in general, assuring that the accounting section follows GAAP, GASB, and GAAFR standards, principles and guidelines.

Ideal Candidate: The ideal candidate will have management and leadership experience in a municipal setting, CAFR experience, Accounting/Finance experience in a municipal or government setting, implementation of financial systems, process improvement, experience researching/interpreting GASB statements and coordinating the implementation of new statements, ability to understand/interpret development agreements, grants, contracts requirements and compliance, staff supervision and development, Debt Management.

Apply online at: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/goodyear/jobs/1770584/finance-manager-financial-services?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

Accountant II—Arizona Department of Administration. Annual Salary \$40,000-\$55,000. Some of the job duties include:

- Approving of standard accounting transactions of other staff entries in accounting systems and workflow
- Preparing and entering financial transactions into accounting software
- Reconciling daily and monthly financial reports of deposits, vendor setups and other monthly reports.
- Managing of petty cash funds for disbursements, reimbursements and reconciliations
- Gathering complex data and preparing financial reports from accounting systems or other databases
- Preparing and updating desktop training documents as needed
- Tracking and reporting on monthly performance measures for other programs
- Maintaining accounting workers' compensation payroll/premiums databases

Ideal Candidate:

- Bachelor of Science in Accounting or equivalent related experience
- Mainframe systems: Arizona Financial Information System (AFIS), Procure AZ, HRIS
- Five years' accounts payable and accounts receivable experience
- Computer trainings: MS Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Access)

Apply online at: <https://azstatejobs.azdoa.gov/lmprod/xmlhttp/shorturl.do?key=1Y15>

Would you like to post your organization's job postings on our website?

Please email AGA Phoenix Webmaster, Josh Consier, at joshc@agaphoenix.org

AGA Phoenix Chapter Executive Board Program Year 2017-2018

PURPOSE: Consists of chapter officers, past president, committee chairs, and other members appointed by the chapter president. Responsible for all chapter business and planning.

OFFICERS:

President	Gergana Kovatcheva, CGFM, CPA
President Elect	Michelle Huckabay, CGFM, CPA
Past President	Josh Consier
Secretary	Kim Prendergast, CGFM, CIA, CPA, CFE
Treasurer	Anthony St. George (appointed to complete Josh Neidigh's term)

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Our Purpose

Mission Statement

AGA Phoenix Chapter serves Arizona professionals in the government financial management community by providing quality, low-cost continuing education, promoting professional development and interaction among members, and fostering a commitment to community involvement as well as a sense of responsibility for advancing government accountability.

Vision

AGA Phoenix Chapter actively creates an avenue for membership to share ideas with each other, to share knowledge and time with the community, and to promote the advancement of government standards and accountability within the profession.

We'd Love Your Input!

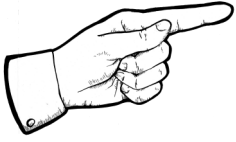
Please remember to send in any articles of interest, including any that you may have written on the subjects of management, accounting, or auditing. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

In addition, please send us any special announcements in relation to promotions, marriages, births, anniversaries, certifications achieved, or any other significant event for any of our chapter members. Any article submitted by the second week of the month will be included in the next month's newsletter.

Please email your news for forthcoming newsletters to:

contact@agaphoenix.org





Check out AGA's Free Toolkits & Guides:

- Sub-recipient vs. Contractor Checklist
- Blended and Braided Funding
- Leveraging Government Resources in Challenging Financial Times
- Risk Assessment Monitoring Toolkit
- Cooperative Audit Resolution and Oversight Initiative
- Fraud Prevention Toolkit
- Candidate Assessment Toolkit for Grant Managers
- How Federal, State and Non-Profit Collaboration Improved Efficiencies in Delinquent Debt Collection
- Citizen Centric Report: How To

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Resources/Tools-To.aspx>

Membership Referral Program

Did you know that you can gain \$50 if you get two individuals who are not currently members to join our chapter? All you have to do is have them put your name down on the sponsor section of the membership form.

It is always nice to have new faces become members to our growing organization!

Board Members Wanted

If you are interested in volunteering for a committee and to be on the Board, please contact AGA at the following e-mail: contact@agaphoenix.org

We Are Always Looking For People Interested In Joining Our Organization

NOTE: Excerpts and links below are from AGA's national website at www.agacgfm.org.

What is AGA?

Briefly, AGA has been serving the government financial management profession for over 50 years As a not-for-profit educational organization, AGA serves the professional interests of financial managers from the local, state and the federal governments, as well as public accounting firms, responsible for effectively using billions of dollars and other monetary resources everyday. Members are accountants, auditors, contract, financial and performance, budget analysts, chief financial officers, information systems managers, finance directors, inspectors

general, professors, students. Membership in AGA is like tapping into a reservoir of actual real-world knowledge and experience of government financial management experts.

Benefits of Joining

If you asked a member which of the benefits they value the most, they probably would say education and networking, which often occur at the same time and place. Here are some of our members' favorites:
Continuing Professional Education and Networking Opportunities
Keep Up-to-Date on Current Issues
Keep Abreast of the Latest Technologies and Financial Systems
Professional Guidance and Certification

How Can You Join?

Click the links below to access the Membership Application and to find out membership types and dues.



Click <https://www.agacgfm.org/Membership/Learn-About-AGA/Join-or-Renew.aspx>

to complete the online AGA Membership Application.

****Did an AGA member inspire you to join? Don't forget to enter your AGA Sponsor's Name and Member ID on the application.****