



October 2017 Newsletter

President's Message

Hello AGA members and non-members. The SHARE upgrade of FIN to PeopleSoft 9.2 is complete. Many of us are continuing the audits which are due on November 1, 2017.



Everyone will certainly breathe a sigh of relief and then move into the holiday season.

The Chapter is hosting the Fall Harvest Social at The Palace on October 27, 2017. Feel free to bring a potential new member to enjoy the festivities and network with our Chapter. Light appetizers and soft drinks will be served, along with a cash bar. Your donations of nonperishable food items for the Food Depot are welcomed.

Donna Sandoval did a phenomenal job of preparing the Citizen Centric Report (CCR). The report highlighted our Platinum status, membership demographics, CPE performance, community service, financials and much more. Our plans for this program year include community events, recruiting CFGM candidates for the "You Pass We Pay" program, audio conferences and luncheons with guest speakers. We need to maintain that Platinum status. The CCR was emailed to the membership.

Contact our Vice President Janet Pacheco-Morton with ideas for speakers for our luncheons. We also purchased our Audios for the year and will be sending out emails on the subject and location. The schedule is included in this newsletter, posted on our website NM Chapter <http://agasantafe.org/> and announced in various e-mails to our members. Feel free to contact our Education Chair Bryan Maestas with audio conference questions.

The Chapter participated in the Breast Cancer walk. Thanks to all of you for your donations and participation. Participation and involvement from the membership makes a great organization. We look forward to your continued participation and input to make it a wonderful and successful year!!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wanda M Gonzales".

Wanda M Gonzales
President



Fall Harvest Social

Friday, October 27

5:30 - 7:00

Palace Restaurant

142 W. Palace Avenue

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Soft Drinks, Iced Tea and Appetizers will be served

The Social will benefit the Food Depot

Please bring non-perishable food items for the Food Depot

RSVP to Wanda Gonzales

supwmg@nmcourts.gov



Paparazzi Highlights...events



The Chapter participated in the walk to fight breast cancer. Margaret Sena and Wanda Gonzales at Mile 5.



From the archives...CCR highlights: State Auditor Tim Keller speaks during a general session at the 2017 PDT



CGFM You Pass We Pay Program (YPWPP)

The You Pass We Pay Program (YPWPP) is a great way to assist Chapter members meet their goal of obtaining the CGFM. There are three basic criteria to the YPWPP:

- Only NM Chapter members are eligible for this program since it is unique to our Chapter.
- Participants are given six (6) months to take and pass all three examinations. This clock starts "ticking" when an agreed upon date is reached by the CGFM Coordinator and the participant. We will send out a letter welcoming you to this program, which will have the start date. What we like to let participants know is that they should have already applied for the certification and have received a letter/email from the AGA National Office acknowledging their CGFM application approval. This way no time will be wasted applying for the CGFM and you can concentrate on studying for the exams.
- Upon successful approval, the participants will need to provide us a copy of the letter from AGA National stating they have passed. This will allow us to verify that the exams were completed within the six-month time-period. Additionally, we will ask for proof of payment and a statement saying that the applicant has received no further financial assistance for this process (i.e. having the employer paying for the exams).

To maintain the CGFM certification in active status, individuals must continue to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics, renew CGFM annually and earn 80 continuing professional education (CPE) hours every two years.

Please go to the agacgfm.org website or email Luis R. Eres at luis.r.eres.civ@mail.mil for more information.

Audio Conferences

Scheduled Webinars/Audio Conferences By Bryan Maestas, CGFM, Education Chair

The New Mexico Chapter CEC has purchased the following webinars/audio conferences. The topic and dates are listed below. The location where the webinar/audio conferences are to be held will be announced at least one week before the event. Two hours of Continuing Professional Education will be offered.

- **Topic:** Ethics in Fraud
Date: November 15, 2017
- **Topic:** Grants Management
Date: January 10, 2018
- **Topic:** Cybersecurity
Date: March 28, 2018

Chapter Finances

AGA NM CHAPTER TREASURER'S REPORT September 2017

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|---|----------------------------|
| Book Balance (ledger) | \$ 39,015.43 |
| Unreconciled amount | \$ 592.82 |
| Outstanding deposits | \$ - |
| Outstanding checks | \$ 1,307.18 |
| Bank Balance (bank statement) | <u>\$ 40,915.43</u> |
| Stmt Ending Bank Bal as of 9/30/17 | <u>\$ 40,915.43</u> |

| Transaction / Description | Date | Check | Amount |
|---|-----------|-------|-------------|
| Bryan Maestas (reimbursement for Picnic) | 8/25/2017 | 1784 | \$ 7.18 |
| Bryan Maestas (reimbursement for Audio Conf.) | 9/25/2017 | 1788 | \$ 1,300.00 |

Education

Don't forget education - the Chapter has continuing education opportunities. Updates on the location of these trainings will be posted on the Chapter web-site as well as disseminated through email.

New Mexico Chapter Website

Please visit the New Mexico Chapter web-site at agasantafe.org to view the most recent postings of Chapter events, happening and member profiles. <http://agasantafe.org/>

2017-2018 Chapter Executive Committee

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