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# President's Message

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It's that time of year. I see leaves a-changing!

Our Community Service event for the Family Violence Project was a great success. There were a multitude of boxes and bags filled with Back-to-School supplies to get the program started on the right foot. Heidi Ellis and Peter Simon delivered our donations with pride. I cannot say enough about the dedication our chapter has for supporting its community. Bravo!

The next event is the collection of socks for the Salvation Army which will be collected through the month of October, and we have already started filling some boxes. If you have any questions, or would like to make a monetary donation, please contact Heidi Ellis or any member of the CEC.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

The Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) is working on creating a survey to be sent to all members. Please keep an eye out for that as we appreciate your participation. This is a great opportunity for you to provide some feedback that allows our Chapter to thrive.

Monthly Meeting Senator Inn October 8, 2019 Regards and Best Wishes,

Angela

Angela L. Dickinson

President, AGA Maine Chapter



Are you using social media? The Maine Chapter AGA invites to you like us on Facebook.



**Chapter Website:** 



www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/



# AGA MAINE CHAPTER

We are pleased to have David Leach, MPA, speak at our upcoming October meeting. David will be speaking about scamming techniques currently being used.

# NEW ENGLAND REGION AGA

The Aroostook Chapter CEC meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month. General meetings are held as necessary.

The Boston Chapter holds monthly meetings and trainings September through June.

# AGA NATIONAL

2019 AFERM ERM Summit — Next Generation of ERM: What You Need to Know

Three reasons you should attend:

- Earn up to 10 CPE hours
- Obtain the latest techniques of Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)
- Network and connect

Date: October 29th-30th, 2019 Location: Washington, D.C., or virtual

https://www.aferm.org/events/2019-aferm-summit/

# 2019 is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year for AGA's CGFM certification!

Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, demonstrating competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels.

### **CGFM Benefits:**

Being a CGFM allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field. Website for more information:

https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification.aspx

## How do you become a CGFM?

To earn the CGFM, you must fill out an online application and meet the following requirements:

- >Ethics read and agree to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics
- >Education have a bachelor's degree in any subject area from an accredited U.S. college or university
- >Examinations pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations
- >Experience have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management





## **NOTICES...**

- A survey will be coming out soon to all AGA Maine Chapter members. We need your input! The CEC appreciates the responses and feedback we know we will be receiving from you.
- Do you have an idea for an upcoming speaker? Please contact a CEC member. Your insight to help the Chapter is welcome.



# <u>TRIVIA</u>

Is pumpkin a vegetable or a fruit?



# Community Service Opportunities

"Only when you give from the heart does it make the giving whole."

— Stephen Richards



# Salvation Army Collection of Stockings





Our Sept-Oct community service event is collecting socks (stockings) of all sizes for the Salvation Army. Did you know that socks, according to a recent article, are the most needed, but least donated article of clothing at homeless shelters?

How many pairs of socks can we collect?

The Maine Chapter of AGA is proud to be sponsoring this Community Service event and we invite you to help out.

We have been given permission to put collection boxes in our work locations. Please bring your items to our October AGA meeting. We will bring the socks to the Salvation Army location in Brunswick. The socks will then be delivered to the Portland area where they will be available to people who need them.

Thank you for your support!

# OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING

The Maine Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, **October 8th**, at the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Our guest speaker will be David Leach, MPA, Principal Examiner at the Maine Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection. David will be speaking on scamming techniques currently being used.

The lunch menu will consist of a Spinach Salad, Crispy Lemon Chicken w/ Brown and Wild Rice.

## PAST MEETING RECAP

On September 17, 2019, the Maine Chapter of the AGA met at the Maine Ice Vault in Hallowell.

Chapter President-Elect Darrolyn Worcester welcomed the Chapter and introduced our speaker, Shirley Browne.

Shirley gave an interesting and highly interactive presentation on Cybersecurity.

Due to the amount of interest in the Cybersecurity topic, we will be sharing both the PowerPoint presentation and the handout Shirley distributed. Please check for these on the AGA Maine Chapter website in the very near future.





## TRIVIA ANSWER:

# Pumpkin is a fruit!

A pumpkin, from a botanist's perspective, is a fruit because it's a product of the seed-bearing structure of flowering plants. Vegetables, on the other hand, are the edible portion of plants such as leaves, stems, roots, bulbs, flowers, and tubers. Because pumpkins are less sweet and more savory from a culinary perspective, we categorize them as a vegetable.

## OUR CEC

For more information, visit our website: www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/

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Maine Chapter AGA Treasurer's Report as of 09/30/2019  ASSETS					
Cash and Bank Accounts	AGA Checking	\$56.52			
	AGA Savings-Share Account	\$7,671.52			
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		\$7,768.04			
Other Assets	Customer Invoices	\$560.00			
Total Other Assets		\$560.00			
Total Assets		\$8,328.04			
LIABILITIES					
Other Liabilities	Business Bills - Senator Inn	\$0.00			
Total Other Liabilities		\$181.52			
Total Liabilities		<u>\$181.52</u>			
Overall Total \$8,					

	Maine Chapter AGA Income Statement as of 09/30/2019	
	INCOME	
Dividend Income		
Education—Webinars		
Charity.		

INCOME			
Dividend Income	\$3.35		
Education—Webinars	\$0.00		
Charity	\$0.00		
Membership Income from National	\$360.00		
Monthly Meetings	\$136.00		
Other Income—50/50	\$14.00		
TOTAL INCOME	\$513.35		
EXPENSES			
Awards	\$0.00		
Charity	\$0.00		
Education—Webinars	\$1,888.00		
Gifts Given	\$0.00		
Membership Recruitment	\$0.00		
Monthly Meetings	\$584.24		
Travel for National Speaker	\$0.00		
Service Fee	\$2.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,474.24		
NET INCOME/LOSS	(\$1,960.89)		