



THE OZARKS LEDGER

MARCH 2025



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MONICA ROBINSON



I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather we are experiencing. The Spring Seminar is coming up and there is still time to register. During the seminar, our fundraiser focus will be the "May I Wish Program". Make sure to bring cash or a check if you want to donate.

March is CGFM month. The Ozarks Chapter has resources to help you earn this certification; contact Leslie Forest with any questions. I look forward to seeing you at the Spring Seminar!

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SPRING SEMINAR

MARCH 27, 2025

OZARKS CHAPTER EVENTS

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION	CPE AVAILABLE
3/27/2025	<u>Spring Seminar</u>	eFactory 8 am - 4 pm	8 CPE
4/24/2025	Lunch & Learn	Ozarks Transportation Org/ Virtual 12 pm - 1 pm	1 CPE
5/22/2025	Member Social	Big Mama's	

NATIONAL EVENTS

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION	CPE AVAILABLE
4/2/2025	<u>How To Find Happy</u>	Members- Only Webinar	1.5 CPE
4/9/2025	<u>Ethics</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
4/23/2025	<u>Fraud & Data Analytics</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
5/13/2025	<u>Performance Counts Summit</u>	Virtual	4 CPE
5/28/2025	<u>Leadership</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
7/27/25 - 7/30/25	<u>Professional Development Training</u>	Nashville, TN / Virtual	24 CPE



STATE OF MISSOURI
Proclamation
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Kansas City, Mid-Missouri, Ozark, and St. Louis Chapters of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) are part of a professional organization with a network of more than 14,000 members across 90+ chapters in the United States and worldwide. In Missouri, these chapters have approximately 400 active members representing state, federal, municipal, and private sector accountants, auditors, financial managers, and other governmental financial management disciplines; and

WHEREAS, AGA Kansas City, Mid-Missouri, Ozark, and St. Louis Chapter members have responded to AGA's mission of advancing government accountability, as it continues its broad educational efforts with emphasis on high standards of conduct, honor, and character in its Code of Ethics. It is making significant advances both in professional ability and in service to the citizens of Missouri by mastering increasingly technical and complex requirements; and

WHEREAS, the AGA and the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) program promotes Government Accountability, Efficiency, and Ethics; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) program of AGA provides a means of demonstrating professionalism and competency by requiring CGFM candidates to have appropriate educational and employment history, to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics, and to pass three examinations requiring expertise in Governmental Environment, Governmental Financial Management and Control, Governmental Accounting, and Financial Reporting and Budgeting, as well as requires each CGFM holder to maintain certification by completing at least 80 hours of continuing professional education in government financial management topics or related technical subjects every two years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim March 2025 to be

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 19th day of February 2025.



Mike Kehoe
Mike Kehoe
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Denny Hoskins
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SECRETARY OF STATE

The CGFM application fee is **75% off** in March in honor of AGA's 75th anniversary! Apply [here](#)
Also, CGFM applicants during March will be entered into a drawing for CGFM preparation products!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

NEOGOV

- [Accounting Manager - remote](#)

Greene County

- [Senior Deputy Auditor](#)
- [Accounting Specialist](#)

KPM CPAs

- [Experienced Accountant](#)

Bass Pro Shops

- [Financial Analyst](#)

American National Insurance

- [Senior Accounting Analyst](#)

State of Missouri

- [Staff Auditor](#)

SRC Industrial

- [Staff Accountant](#)



Nashville, Tennessee or virtual
July 27-30, 2025
24 CPEs

Are you a young professional?

If you are under 30 years old, an AGA member, and will be attending PDT for the first time, you can get **50% off** the registration fee!

Contact Jennifer Garrett
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<https://www.agacgfm.org/Events/PDT/50-Under-30.aspx>

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BENEFITS OF CGFM CERTIFICATION

- Enhances your marketability
- Increases confidence on the job
- Encourages employer incentives

And many more! For more info go to

<https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM/Candidates/CGFMProcess.aspx>

