

**ANNUAL HISTORY REPORT
BALTIMORE CHAPTER
2018-2019**

CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Meetings	Kelly Stankus, CPA, CGFM Shenika Smith
Membership	Geoffrey Luiz Masoud Najmabadi

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Web Master

James Switzer
Jose Carrasco

Sponsorship

Paul Geraty, CGFM

MEMBERSHIP

At the close of the 2018-2019 program year, June 30, 2019, the Baltimore Chapter had 202 current members, with 35 new members added this year.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings were held each month from September 2018 through May 2019. Our usual meeting date was the first Thursday of the month from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm via conference call.

EDUCATION

The Baltimore Chapter held a monthly training session during the months of September 2018 through May 2019 totaling 32 CPEs. The majority of the trainings were conducted on the third Wednesday of each month.

The following provides the details of the monthly training sessions:

September 26, 2018 Afternoon Training

(1) "Yellowbook Update"

Speaker: Johnny Ramsey, KPMG

The training was then split into two tracks, one for federal employees and the other for State and Local employees:

(A) "FASAB Update"

Speaker: Monica Valentine, FASAB Board

(B) "GASB Update"

Speaker: Jialan Su, GASB Board

Both tracks of this training program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

October 17, 2018 Afternoon Training

(1) "Leadership"

Speaker: Douglas Glen, DOI, 2016-2017 AGA National President

(2) "Managing Risk in the Federal Government"

Speakers: David Zavada, Keaney and Company & Jennifer Main, CMS

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(3) “Blockchain”

Speaker: Bo Shevchik, AGA Merging Technology Working Group

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

November 15, 2018 Afternoon Training

(1) “Program Integrity: Beyond Fraud, Waste and Abuse to Mission Performance”

Speaker: Jeff Steinhoff, KPMG

(2) “Enterprise Risk Management”

Speaker: Ernest Almonte, AGA National President-Elect

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

December 12, 2018 Afternoon Training

This session was a joint meeting with the Baltimore Chapter of the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA).

(1) “Limitless Possibilities: Technology and Tomorrow’s Profession”

Speaker: Kimberly Ellison-Taylor, Oracle

(2) “Change Management Best Practices for ERP Systems”

Speaker: Jeffrey Hare, ERP Risk Advisors

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

January 16, 2019 Afternoon Training

This session was a joint meeting with the Fort Meade Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC).

(1) “Our Goal – Building a Winning Team”

Speaker: Gregory Johnson, USACE

(2) “Data Analytics”

Speaker: Jeremy Flantzer, KPMG

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

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February Training (Rescheduled to April 24, 2019 due to weather) Afternoon Training

(1) “Automation in Government: Robotics Process Automation”
Speakers: Eva Koca, Joe Baptiste and Jim Menard, Ernst and Young

(2) “Mindful Leadership in the Modern World”
Speaker: Clifton Smith, Ernst and Young

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

March 20, 2019 Afternoon Training - Early Careers Luncheon

(1) “Navigating Your Career”
Speaker: Laura Smith, Ambit Group, LLC

(2) “Early Careers and IT Auditing”
Speaker: Rashad Holloway, Customs and Border Protection

(3) “Secrets to Your Success”
Speaker: Frank Ross, Howard University School of Business

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

April 17, 2019 Afternoon Training - Annual Awards Luncheon

(1) “Social Security: What it Provides, Financial Status and Prospects for the Future”
Speaker: Stephen Goss, SSA

(2) “Options in Statistical Sampling”
Speaker: Johnny Ramsey, KPMG

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

May 15, 2019 Annual Fraud Training – All Day Training

(1) “Think Like a Fraudster: Understanding Your Organization’s Risk to Fraud”
Speaker: Taylor Larimore, Grant Thornton

(2) “Ethics”
Speaker: Dr. Kelly Richmond Poper, DePaul University

(3) “Professional Skepticism in Audits”
Speaker: Graylin Smith, SB and Associates

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(4) “The Essentials in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning as Applied to Fraud Detection”

Speaker: Antonia de Medinaceli

This program qualified for (8) hours of CPE credit, including (4) for Ethics.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

For the 2018-2019 program year, the Baltimore Chapter received the Platinum Level Chapter Recognition Award. We also received the Certificate of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting for our FY 2017-2018 CCR, as well as the AGA Chapter Education Award for the 2018-2019 Program Year.

CHAPTER AWARDS

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION (SEPTEMBER 2018 MEETING)

Johnny Ramsey – For consistently sharing your knowledge and experience with the Baltimore Chapter Acting President during the 2017-2018 Program Year.

Shenika Smith – For planning the 2017-2018 Program Year Board of Directors closeout luncheon.

Lori Lee – For planning the Baltimore Chapter outing and bullpen picnic at the Orioles Game on September 29, 2018.

James Switzer – For efforts to enhance the Baltimore Chapter website and migrate it to AGA National as host.

Jose Carrasco – For efforts to enhance the Baltimore Chapter website and migrate it to AGA National as host.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION (OCTOBER 2018 MEETING)

Paul Geraty – For your efforts to enhance our Sponsorship Program and recognize our sponsors.

Masoud Najmabadi – For your efforts to enhance our Membership Committee and increase Baltimore Chapter membership.

Mark Silvestri – For your efforts to enhance our Awards Committee and recognize the contributions of Baltimore Chapter leaders.

Kristina Poist – For your efforts to enhance our Awards Committee and recognize the contributions of Baltimore Chapter leaders.

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION (NOVEMBER 2018 MEETING)

Mark Silvestri – For your leadership and support of the Baltimore Chapter many years; especially during the 2017-2018 Program Year and the 2018-2019 Program Year.

Paul Levee – For your leadership and support of the Baltimore Chapter during the 2017-2018 Program Year and the 2018-2019 Program Year.

Renée Rawlins – For your effort to enhance the Baltimore Chapter Editorial Committee; including recruitment of Keisha Lynch and your work on the 2017-2018 Program Year Recap Newsletter.

Keisha Lynch – For your effort to prepare and publish the Baltimore Chapter 2017-2018 Program Year Recap Newsletter.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION (DECEMBER 2018 MEETING)

Kelly Stankus – For your effort to enhance the Baltimore Chapter Meetings Committee and a host of other duties you perform to keep our chapter strong.

JoAnn White Burnette – For your effort to enhance the Baltimore Chapter Education and Programs Committee and planning the dinner with AGA National President-Elect Ernest Almonte.

Kristina Poist – For your effort to enhance the Baltimore Chapter Communications Committee and sharing information timely with our members.

Michael Tracht – For your effort to enhance our Treasurer position and promoting financial stewardship for the Baltimore Chapter.

Jamila Webb – For your effort to support the Baltimore Chapter as a Regional Representative and your role in Grant Thornton being one of our Sponsors.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION (MARCH 2019 MEETING)

Kristen Schnatterly – For your outstanding efforts to obtain the CGFM proclamation from the City of Baltimore and Baltimore County Executive.

Angela Shields – For your outstanding community service efforts serving the Happy Helpers for the Homeless.

2018-2019 PRESIDENT’S AWARDS (APRIL 2019 MEETING)

EXCELLENCE IN CONTRIBUTION AWARD– JoAnn White-Burnett, Kelly Stankus, Lori Lee

FUTURE LEADERSHIP AWARD – Jose Carrasco

EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD – Paul Geraty, Paul Levee

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During this meeting we also presented three \$1,000 scholarships to the following students:

Kaelin Sayre – Loyola University, enrolled in the Masters of Accounting Program
Seinna Wrotten – Salisbury University, Junior in the Bachelor of Accounting Program
Jacob Biondi – Stevenson University, Junior in the Bachelor of Accounting Program

In addition, we presented all Board members, listed on page one of this document, with Certificates of Appreciation at our year-end celebration dinner in June 2019.

PUBLICATIONS

Newsletters

The Committee prepared comprehensive newsletters covering the periods September through December 2018, and January through March 2019.

Social Media

Our publicity committee documented our monthly trainings via Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Website

The Chapter maintains a website that is routinely updated with current information regarding the Baltimore Chapter of AGA. This information includes chapter contacts, upcoming training events, online event registration, monthly newsletters, and other recognition achieved by the Chapter. The website also publishes new CGFM opportunities available.

Citizen Centric Report

In September 2018, Leroy Chester prepared the Chapter's Citizen Centric Report (CCR) that discusses chapter demographics, membership, program year accomplishments and financial statements, and the chapter's challenges moving forward. We received the Certificate of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting for his efforts.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

PDT Silent Auction

The chapter donated a gift card to G&M's, a local place in the Baltimore area known for their delicious crab cakes, as part of the PDT silent auction.

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Virtual Canned Food Drive

November/December 2018 - The Baltimore Chapter held an online drive for cash donations during the month of November and December for the Maryland Food Bank. Members donated \$382 and the Chapter made a \$200 donation, for a total of \$582.

Operation Holiday Eagle

November 2018 – Baltimore Chapter members sent holiday cards and a donation to troops overseas through Operation Holiday Eagle and Adopt-a-Platoon. Operation Holiday Eagle sends holiday cheer to troops deployed overseas.

Christmas Wreaths for Fallen Soldiers

November 2018 – The Baltimore Chapter donated \$150 to Wreaths across America, which provided 10 wreaths for placement on the graves of veterans across the country.

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

In cooperation with the Catonsville Men's Civic Association (CMCA), a local community club, we co-sponsored an Easter Egg hunt for children in the community on April 13, 2019.

Fiesta 5k for ALS

May 4, 2019 – The Chapter made a \$200 donation to the Packard Center for ALS research.

EARLY CAREERS ACTIVITIES

Presentation to University of Baltimore

In April 2019, members of the AGA Baltimore Chapter spoke to members of the University of Baltimore's Beta Alpha Psi organization. The event was well attended by students at the University!

Joint Happy Hour with ISACA

After our December meeting on 12/12/18, we held a joint Happy Hour with early careers members and ISACA members.

CGFM ACTIVITIES

CGFM Interest Table

At nearly every training session for the 2018-2019 program year, the CGFM committee had a table with pamphlets, buttons, and other small items for individuals interested in pursuing the CGFM designation.

CGFM Month

March was declared CGFM month in Baltimore. As the CGFM program celebrated 25 years of certifying excellence this year, we received Proclamations from both the Mayor of the City of Baltimore and the County Executive of Baltimore County. Mayor

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Catherine Pugh and County Executive John Olszewski, Jr. joined governors and local leaders nationwide in celebrating those individuals who have made a further commitment to the public they serve by earning this highly-respected and distinguished credential.

OTHER MISCELLANEOUS CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Strategic & Five-Year Plan

In May 2018, we prepared and submitted, to our Board and AGA National, a Strategic and Five-Year Plan for the AGA Baltimore Chapter.

Joint Meetings

In keeping with a policy of developing ties with other professional organizations in the Baltimore area, the chapter held a joint meeting with the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA) in December 2018 and with the Fort Meade Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC) in January 2019.

LEAD

The first LEAD was held on May 2-4, 2015 in Baltimore, MD. Three Chapter Executive Board members from the Baltimore Chapter attended – Leroy Chester, Lori Lee and Michael Tracht. LEAD brings together incoming AGA Chapter Leaders, Regional Vice Presidents, Sectional Leaders, and AGA National Office Leaders for a structured roundtable discussion to assist chapters and establish effective relationship between all parties.

National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)

The Baltimore Chapter continues to be a NASBA certified provider of continuing education credits.