



Inside this Issue:

1. Lunch Meeting
2. About the Speaker
2. President's Message
3. Board Minutes
3. Community Service Event
4. 2009 Year in Review
5. PDC Photos
7. National News
8. CGFM Corner Frequently Asked Questions
12. Articles
15. Calendar of Events
16. Chapter Contacts

Monthly Footnotes

September, 2009

VOLUME X, ISSUE 1

September 2009 Luncheon Meeting

Welcome Members and Non-Members

- TOPIC:** Wisconsin Retirement System Update
- SPEAKER:** Sari King, Constituent Relations, Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF)
- DATE:** Thursday, September 24, 2009
- REGISTRATION:** 11:30 a.m. **LUNCH:** 11:45 a.m.
- COST:** \$5 for Members, \$10 for Non-Members
- PLACE:** Great Dane-Fitchburg (2980 Cahill Main, out Fish Hatchery Road; parking ramp adjacent to restaurant)
- MENU:** All meals include pub fries and soda or coffee
- Mayan Chicken Wrap**—Marinated grilled chicken, guacamole, corn salsa, and shredded lettuce wrapped in a spinach tortilla with creamy cilantro dressing
 - Pub Burger**—1/3 pound burger topped with lettuce, tomato, pickles, Bermuda onions, and cheddar cheese
 - Capitol Falafel**—Ground chickpeas & seasonings crisp-fried and served in a warm flatbread wrap with hummus, tomatoes, Bermuda onion, mixed greens, and cucumber yogurt sauce.

RESERVATIONS

Please call **Sherri Voigt** by 1 p.m. on Friday, September 18, 2009 with your name and membership status, (608) 267-9818 or e-mail: sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov. If you need help getting a ride to the lunch, please contact Sherri for car-pooling information.

NEW MEMBERS FIRST LUNCHEON MEETING

If you are a new member and this will be the first luncheon you are attending, please note that when calling in your reservation. Your first chapter luncheon meeting is FREE!

BRING YOUR SUPERVISOR TO LUNCH ON AGA

One of the benefits of belonging to our Chapter is that you can bring you Supervisor to lunch once annually to show your appreciation for his/her support of your participation in AGA. Why not invite them to this months meeting?

About This Months Luncheon Speaker

Sari King is responsible for Constituent Relations for the Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF). She began her career with ETF in 2005 as the Administrator for the Division of Retirement Services. She is originally from Oklahoma, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from Oklahoma City University. With over 20 years of management experience in various state positions, Sari's background also includes extensive information technology experience.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA

Welcome to the 2010 program year!

This would be a good time to take a look at not only this month's lunch announcement, but the entire schedule of events on page 15. Pencil in the lunch dates and make a note of the Symposium.

We are starting out the year by returning to the Great Dane in Fitchburg. Even if you aren't covered by the Wisconsin Retirement System, this session will include some general retirement topics and market information.

At the September 24 meeting, we are trying something new: a school supply drive for students in the Janesville area. This part of our membership area has been hit especially hard. As you finish up your back-to-school shopping, please consider picking up a few extra items to bring to the lunch. Please see the announcement on page 3 for full details.

We want to bring you the best program schedule possible. If you think of any topics and/or speakers you would like to have us feature this year, please send us a note! Our education co-chairs are working on setting up the fall calendar and would love to hear from you.

Carrie Ferguson,

carrie.ferguson@legis.state.wi.us

Mary Laufenberg,

mary.laufenberg@revenue.wi.gov

I hope to see you on the 24th!



Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2009

Present: Sherri Voigt, Roger Birkett, Mary Laufenberg, Tom Scheidegger, David Mellem, Eric Busse, Lily Radivojevich, Dolly O’Laughlin, Carrie Ferguson

The chapter has \$22,080.26.

Membership: We will look at a member recruitment day similar to what Indianapolis does. We may designate an entire week due to how spread out we are.

Chapter Recognition points are due 9/30. Be sure to include Dolly on any work done.

Community Service: Voted to do a back-to-school supply drive for Janesville schools; Eric will help us find a local partner.

Education:

-September speaker is set and a restaurant should be arranged soon.

-Many topics discussed to fill out schedule, including: ORR rep about ARRA grants, trains/rail, Government Accountability Board, health care reform, fiscal impact of H1N1

Other Items:

-There is a new chapter in our region: Circle City chapter (Indianapolis.) Chapters were asked for seed money. Vote: Send \$500
-Board member dues reimbursement policy proposed. Vote: proceed with a draft policy.
Rough proposal: CEC members who attend 60% of meetings or contribute in a significant manner outside of meetings (based on board vote) during the program year will be eligible for a 50% reimbursement on the next year’s renewal of AGA national dues. This will be used as a recruitment tool in getting board members

Join the AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter in the Back-to-School supply drive for Janesville Schools!



As you make your last minute purchases for the school year, please consider adding a few extra items to help out the students in Janesville. Or, if you don’t have students (or students at home), re-live the joys of back-to-school shopping and marvel at all the cool new products out there!

At this time of sales, a few dollars goes a long, long way...Student items to consider: backpacks, notebooks, loose leaf paper (wide-ruled), #2 pencils, erasers, folders, pens, markers, crayons, rulers, binders, colored pencils, glue sticks, pencil cases. For general classroom use, also think of items such as: tissues, wipes, scotch tape.

Bring the school supply items to the September lunch meeting. We will get them delivered. If you can’t make the lunch but want to contribute, contact Sherri Voigt for more information on pick up or drop off possibilities in the Madison area (sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov or 608-267-9818)

We will take cash or check donations, too, and convert them to needed items in the school district.

↪ **Back by Popular Demand** ↩



Who says there's no free lunch?

Members who attend 3 Training Sessions September to February
Earn a Free Lunch
Coupon Valid at the March, April, or May Lunch

2009 Program Year in Review



MS Walk, May 2009
Community Service Event



Passionately Pink for the Cure
October, 2008 lunch meeting
(DNR participants after the lunch)



Sectional Leadership Meeting in Baltimore, MD (April, 2009)



A-87 Training in Mequon
April 13, 2009



AGA Symposium-May 11, 2009-Billy
Morehead, AGA National President-Elect

AGA Symposium-May 11, 2009



Tripp Commons



Lunch in the Great Hall

Chapter Photos from the AGA Professional Development Conference in New Orleans



Registration at the Marriott



AGA National Board of Directors Meeting
June 21, 2009



Chapter member David Mellem received the Platinum award as Regional Vice President (pictured, left to right, Ron Cox-Senior Vice President, David Mellem-RVP, Billy Morehead-AGA National President-Elect



Deloitte sponsored a community service event one very hot and humid evening: landscaping at Tad Gormely Stadium/City Park. Chapter members Roger Birkett (with wife and daughter) and Sherri Voigt (with mother, pictured above right) participated in this event. Richard Skinner, Department of Homeland Security Inspector General and RAT Board member, participated in the celebration dinner (pictured below right)



National News

Tracking Jobs Created Under Recovery Act Could be Tricky

How many workers does it take to steady a floundering economy? If those workers are getting paid through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the Obama administration is betting about 6.8 million. That's the administration's estimate for the number of jobs created or saved over the next four years as a result of the \$787 billion economic stimulus plan signed into law in February. But documenting that number may require some fancy accounting. **Ed DeSeve**, special adviser to the president and the Office of Management and Budget for implementing the Recovery Act, said on Thursday that it will be up to fund recipients to estimate the number of jobs created or saved. "We believe [the number of] direct jobs created should be defined by the recipients themselves," said DeSeve, speaking at a breakfast sponsored by the **Association of Government Accountants** in Washington, D.C. — Katherine McIntire Peters, *Government Executive*. [Read more.](#)

Untangling the Recovery; Government Gets One More Shot at Proving It Can Get the Job Done

Many people see the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act as an opportunity to prop up a faltering economy, spur long-term investments in energy and education, and put millions of unemployed citizens back to work. For the nation's 2.7 million federal employees, the stimulus plan represents a more personal mission. It is a chance for redemption, to convince the rest of the world that the government still can operate as an efficient

and effective management organization. —Robert Brodsky, *Government Executive*. [Read more.](#)

SEC Chief Strives To Rebuild Regulator; Scrutiny Intensified In Financial Crisis

On the morning of Feb. 4, the chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Mary Schapiro, sat in a confidential meeting reviewing financial crime cases when an assistant handed her a note. Schapiro read it and then asked everyone in the room to leave, except for her fellow commissioners and their aides. She learned that top SEC officials had just been pilloried at a House committee hearing on the agency's failure to detect Bernard Madoff's massive fraud. When the officials refused to answer questions about the case, one lawmaker lamented that the SEC had acted like it had been "anointed by God to be all righteous." With the room cleared, Schapiro asked whether, before her arrival eight days earlier, the agency had placed legal limits on what officials could tell Congress. It had not. Then, she immediately phoned the committee leaders and wrote a letter promising "a full accounting, both of Mr. Madoff's activities and why we did not detect the fraud." —Zachary A. Goldfarb, *The Washington Post*. [Read more.](#)

States' Budget Woes Are Poised to Worsen

State budgets look bad now, but they are set to get worse. The bulk of funds from the federal government's stimulus package will be allocated by 2011, but tax collections aren't likely to be enough

to take their place -- even if the economy is recovering. The drop in tax revenue is set to be deeper and last longer as collections have become more sensitive to business cycles in recent years. At the same time, states face growing health-care costs and the need to replenish pension programs funded by decimated investments. And some of the stimulus funds expand programs that will require state money to sustain them after the federal largesse runs out. —Amy Merrick, *The Wall Street Journal*. [Read more.](#)

DHS IG Reports Millions Recovered from Fraud

The Homeland Security Department's inspector general, **Richard L. Skinner**, has recovered \$228 million in fines, restitutions, cost savings and other payments from investigations conducted from March 2003 through September 2008, according to a [special report](#) the IG released Wednesday. The IG's office received 59,829 complaints of alleged waste, fraud and abuse of taxpayer funds at DHS during that time, and the majority came through a hotline number, the report states. In that time, the complaints resulted in 2,014 arrests and 1,458 convictions. In

2008, the IG investigated about 11,000 complaints and recovered \$52 million, the report states. —Alice Lipowicz, *Federal Times*. [Read more.](#)

GASB Marks 25th Anniversary

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is marking a quarter-century as the private, independent accounting and financial reporting standards-setter for state and local governments. Since 1984, the GASB has developed standards that result in transparent financial reporting, which helps governments to demonstrate their stewardship over the resources entrusted to them. You will see coverage of the events marking the occasion, including a roundtable of current and former GASB members, in the fall issue of *The Journal of Government Financial Management*. The GASB would like to thank all of its constituents for participating in its due process and looks forward to continuing this partnership as the Board works toward improving accountability and well-informed decision making well into the future.



CGFM Corner

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Choosing the CGFM designation:

Q: What are the benefits of having the CGFM certification?

A: CGFM highlights your achievements, serves as a tangible indicator of your experience and knowledge and stays with you throughout your career. In addition, the CGFM may:

- enhance your marketability throughout all levels of government
- provide networking opportunities with other government financial managers
- support continued education to keep you informed of the latest developments and cutting edge technologies
- provide increased employee value, both real and perceived
- increase confidence on the job
 - encourage employer incentives - raises, promotions and bonuses

The CGFM application process:

Q: How do I apply for the CGFM Program?

A: You can apply online, via fax or mail. Go to Where Do I Start? section for more information on application requirements.

Q: How much is the application fee?

A: The nonrefundable application fee for the CGFM Program is \$85. You can pay it by check or credit card when submitting your CGFM Application Form.

Q: Can I get reimbursed for CGFM examination fees?

A: Please check with your HR department if your agency or company has professional certification reimbursement policy. If you are a veteran, you may be eligible for reimbursement: go to VA Certification Benefit for more information.

Q: Do I have to be an AGA member to apply for the CGFM?

A: AGA Membership offers many valuable benefits to its members, but it is not required for your CGFM designation.

Q: What is the education requirement for the CGFM?

A: In order to take any of the Certified Government Financial Manager Examinations, you must have already earned a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, and have completed at least 24 credit hours of study composed of courses in one or more of the following areas: accounting, auditing, budgeting, economics, electronic data processing, finance, information resources management, public administration or other financial management or related topics.

Q: I don't have a bachelor's degree. What do I do?

A: Contact the Office of Professional Certification at 1.800.AGA.7211 (703.684.6931), ext. 341 or agacgfm@agacgfm.org

Q: What do I send as proof of my bachelor's degree?

A: As part of your application for the CGFM Program, please submit a copy of your transcript from an accredited college or university. The transcript must show that a degree (bachelor's or higher) was awarded and must list 24 semester credit hours (36 quarter credit hours) of study composed of courses in financial management or related topics. Your name and the name of the college or university must appear on all transcripts. Please note: CPA card or license is not acceptable as proof of degree. You can send this information to the Office of Professional Certification via fax 703.562.0361 or mail (AGA, 2208 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22301).

Q: What is the experience requirement for the CGFM?

A: Certification candidates must have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management prior to designation as a CGFM. The experience requirement is not necessary to sit for the examinations; however, documentation of professional experience must be filed before the designation can be granted and the certificate is issued. For more information, please see Professional Experience Requirement.

Q: I don't have the required experience. Can I still apply for CGFM now?

A: Yes. The experience requirement does not have to be satisfied at the

time of application. [CGFM Work Verification Form](#) can be submitted after passing the CGFM examinations.

Q: I've submitted the CGFM application form and proof of my degree. What do I do next?

A: Wait for your Eligibility Letter from AGA. It is usually sent out within 2-3 weeks of receipt of your CGFM application.

Q: How long is the eligibility period?

A: You have three years from the date your application is processed to pass the three CGFM examinations.

Studying for CGFM examinations:

Q: What is the best way to study for the CGFM examinations?

A: The best way to study depends on your knowledge, experience, time and location constraints and individual preferences. Start by reviewing the contents of each examination in the [What Do Exams Cover?](#) section. Then review each of the choices in [How Do I Prepare?](#) section.

Q: Do I have to apply for the CGFM Program before taking the courses?

A: No, you can take [instructor-led courses](#) at any time.

Q: What book can I buy to study for the examinations?

A: AGA now has three study guides to help you study for the three CGFM Examinations: Examination 1 - Governmental Environment, Examination 2 - Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting and for Examination 3 - Governmental Financial Management and Control. See [study guides](#) for more information. For additional list of resources, go to [study references](#) list.

Q: Can I talk to any current CGFM holders about preparing for the examinations?

A: Yes, we have a list of mentors who can share their experience of studying for the CGFM examinations. Call the Office of Professional Certification for more information – 1.800.AGA.7211, ext. 306.

Q: Are there sample examination questions?

A: Yes, sample CGFM examinations questions are available in the [What Do Exams Cover?](#) section of the CGFM web pages.

Purchasing and taking CGFM examinations:

Q: What is the cost of CGFM examinations and how do I purchase them?

A: The cost is \$109 per examination. There are three examinations: Governmental Environment Examination; Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting Examination; and Governmental Financial Management and Control Examination. You can purchase the examinations online or over the phone. Go to [How to I Purchase the Exams?](#) section for more information.

Q: I cannot pay for the cost of the exams. Is there any way to reduce the cost?

A: Unfortunately, this fee is based on what AGA is charged to have the exams administered on our behalf. We are unable to offer financial assistance. If you are an AGA member, your chapter may be able to offer you partial support through their scholarship fund. Contact your [local chapter](#).

Q: Do I have to take all three examinations at the same time or in any particular order?

A: No. You may take up to three years to complete all three examinations. Examinations can be taken in any order.

Q: How long are the exams?

A: Each examination has 115 questions. You are given two-hours and fifteen minutes to complete each exam.

Q: I need to cancel my exam appointment. How do I do that?

A: If you wish to cancel or reschedule your testing appointment, you must contact Pearson VUE at 1.888.846.6948 or by logging into your account and changing your appointment at least one business day prior to your originally scheduled exam appointment. Failure to cancel or reschedule within the appropriate time frame will be considered a "no show," and you will be charged the full exam fee.

Q: I did not pass. How do I retake the examination?

A: If you do not pass the exam the first time, you must wait 30 days before you can retake this examination at a testing center. Please follow the same steps as with the original purchase. The cost is the same (\$109). If you don't pass a second time, there is a 90-day waiting period between retakes. You may retake an exam as often as you like before the end of your eligibility period.

Q: Can I get the numerical score for taking the CGFM examination?

A: Upon completing each CGFM Examination, test takers receive an immediate pass/fail result that is printed and provided to the test taker at a testing center. Individuals who passed an exam will receive a report that states "you have passed"; individuals who did not pass will receive a scaled score and performance by content area. A scaled score reports examinations scores on a scale that is linked to the raw scores. CGFM examinations

are using a scale of 200-700, with 500 as the passing score.

Maintaining your CGFM:

Q: What are the requirements for maintaining my CGFM?

A: To retain the designation, a CGFM holder must:

1. Pay the CGFM renewal fee by the due date every year.
2. Adhere to the AGA Code of Ethics.
3. Complete at least 80 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) every two years in government financial management topics or related technical subjects (within the designated two-year cycle). See [CPE Requirements](#) and [Calendar of CPE cycles](#) for more information.
4. Maintain and, if requested by AGA, provide detailed information on CPE hours completed. See [How Do I Maintain a CGFM?](#) for more information.

Q: I did not renew last year. What do I do?

A: Your CGFM is now inactive. Please visit the [How Do I Maintain a CGFM?](#) page to find out how you can reactivate your certification.

Q: How many CPEs do I need to renew?

A: CGFM holders must earn at least 80 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) every two years. If CGFM holders do not have 80 hours completed by the end their two-year cycle, they can use the three months immediately following their cycle (January 1 - March 31) to make up any deficiency. Any CPE hours completed toward a deficiency in one cycle should be documented in their CPE records and may not be counted toward the requirements for the next two-year cycle. See [CPE Requirements](#) for more information.

Union Leaders Defend GS System, Up to a Point

Presidents of the two largest federal employee unions launched a defense July 20 of the General Schedule pay system that the Bush administration attempted to eliminate and the Obama administration, at a minimum, wants to reenergize. Yet their defense was not without caveats. Both spoke to the need to modernize the familiar 60-year-old GS system that covers most of the 2 million federal workers. National Treasury Employees Union President Colleen M. Kelley and American Federation of Government Employees President John Gage told the opening session of an "Excellence in Government" conference that while the GS system can be improved, it is far better than the Pentagon's National Security Personnel System. The Pentagon system was the model for the kind of pay-for-performance operation the Bush administration wanted to spread throughout the government. -- Joe Davidson, *The Washington Post*. [Read more.](#)

ARRA: Going Beyond Compliance; Transparency Requirements an Opportunity for Permanent Transformation

"If Americans start hearing stories about how their money is being wasted on pet projects or funneled to favorite contractors or flat out lost to fraud or theft, faith in government at all levels and support for the overall program [the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or ARRA] will erode--no matter that other parts of the program are successful." -- U.S. Sen. Joe Lieberman

ARRA, the federal stimulus law, contains unprecedented transparency and accountability requirements that try to

prevent Senator Lieberman's grim scenario from becoming reality. Already, huge amounts of time and effort have gone into building the capability to comply with these requirements. Being satisfied with mere baseline compliance, however, would miss an important opportunity to create more lasting value for taxpayers. Instead of going back to business as usual after the ARRA funds dry up, governments should use the stimulus event to transform their organizations and create more business value. --William D. Eggers, *Governing*. [Read more.](#)

Governors' Q&A: What is the Next Big Budget Concern for States?

Even if the U.S. economy were to turn around by the end of the year, states are worried their own fiscal conditions will get worse before they get better. Several governors shared their concerns for the new budget year that began July 1 with Stateline.org during the National Governors Association's July 17-20 meeting in Biloxi, Miss. Their responses reflect how individual states' economies differ widely, but how their fortunes are tied closely to a national recovery. [Read more.](#)

FBI Issues 2008 Mortgage Fraud Report

According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's *2008 Mortgage Fraud Report*, released today, mortgage fraud Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) referred to law enforcement increased 36 percent to 63,713 during fiscal year (FY) 2008, compared to 46,717 reports in FY 2007. While the total dollar loss attributed to mortgage fraud is unknown, financial institutions reported losses of at

least \$1.4 billion, an increase of 83.4 percent from FY 2007.

“Mortgage fraud hurts borrowers, financial institutions, and legitimate homeowners,” said Assistant Director Kevin Perkins, FBI Criminal Investigative Division. “The FBI, in conjunction with our law enforcement, regulatory, and industry partners, continues to diligently pursue perpetrators of mortgage fraud schemes.”

Other key findings presented in the report include:

- Sixty-three percent (1,035) of all pending FBI mortgage fraud investigations during FY 2008 involved dollar losses totaling more than \$1 million.
- More than 3.1 million foreclosure filings were reported on approximately 2.3 million properties nationally during FY 2008, up 81 percent from FY 2007 and 225 percent from FY 2006.
- As of FY 2008, the western region of the United States had the most pending FBI mortgage fraud-related investigations.
- The top 10 mortgage fraud states for 2008 were California, Illinois, Texas, Georgia, Ohio, Colorado, Maryland, Florida, Missouri, and New York.
- Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and the District of Columbia were newly identified as having significant mortgage fraud problems.
- Criminals continued using old schemes, including property flipping, builder-bailouts, short sales, and foreclosure rescues. Additionally, in response to tighter lending practices, they facilitated new schemes, such as reverse mortgage fraud, credit enhancements, condo conversion, loan modifications, and pump and pay.

The entire report is available at www.fbi.gov. While there, sign up for e-mail alerts to ensure you receive the latest information about the FBI.

FBI Releases 2008 Bank Crime Statistics

Today the FBI released bank crime statistics for calendar year 2008. Between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008, there were 6,700 robberies of financial institutions*, as well as 121 burglaries and 28 larcenies reported. This represents 6,849 reported violations of the Federal Bank Robbery and Incidental Crimes Statute.

“While the statistics released today show a slight decrease from the 6,933 reported violations in 2007, we recognize that these crimes take a serious financial toll on the community,” said Assistant Director Kevin Perkins, FBI Criminal Investigative Division. “The FBI remains committed to working with local authorities and bank officials to catch bank bandits and prevent bank crimes from occurring.”

Highlights of the report include the following:

- Of the 6,849 total reported violations, loot was taken in 6,225 incidents (91 percent).
- The total amount taken was valued at more than \$61.9 million.
- A note was used in 3,833 incidents; a firearm was used in 1,734 incidents; and robbers threatened the use of a weapon in 2,839 incidents.
- Acts of violence were committed during 293 (4 percent) of the reported incidents. These acts included 78 instances involving the discharge of firearms, 171 instances involving

assaults, and 53 instances of hostage situations.

- Twenty-one deaths occurred during this reporting period, including 17 perpetrators, one employee, and three deaths classified as “other.” No law enforcement officers were killed responding to bank crimes incidents in 2008.
- Most violations occurred on Friday. Regardless of the day of the week, violations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. were the most common.

These statistics were recorded as of April 23, 2009. Note that not all bank crimes are reported to the FBI, and therefore the report is not a complete statistical compilation of all bank crimes that occurred in the United States.

[View the detailed report](#) and learn more about the FBI at www.fbi.gov.

** Financial institutions include commercial banks, mutual savings banks, savings and loan associations, and credit unions*

SHARE YOUR NEWS

Do you have some interesting news that your fellow chapter members may be interested in? If so, please submit an article to the Newsletter Editor at radivojevich@co.dane.wi.us. Deadline for submission of articles is the 25th of the month. Feel to send in topic suggestions or features to include.

COMMENTS

We would love to hear feedback on the newsletter changes. Let us know what you like, what you hate, what we can do better! Contact the Newsletter Editor at radivojevich@co.dane.wi.us or the Chapter President at sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov

ARE YOU MOVING?

If you are moving, or have already moved, please notify both your chapter and AGA National of your address change. You can update your address online at the national website:

www.agacgfm.org/membership/form_address.htm



Southern Wisconsin Chapter Calendar of Events for 2009-2010

August 4, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

September 1, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

September 24, 2009 – Wisconsin Retirement System Update, Sari King, ETF (Great Dane-Fitchburg)

October 6, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

October 22, 2009 – luncheon topic to be determined (Babe's Restaurant)

November 3, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

November 19, 2009 – luncheon topic to be determined (Dayton Street Grill)

December 1, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

January 5, 2010 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

January 28, 2010 – Annual Tax Update (Imperial Garden)

February 2, 2010 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

February 25, 2010 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

March 2, 2010 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

March 25, 2010 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

April 6, 2010 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

April 22, 2010 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

May 4, 2010 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

May 11, 2010 - *Annual Spring Symposium*

May 20, 2010 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

June 1, 2010 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

Note: Community service, VITA, and social events will be announced during the year.

AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter 2009-2010 Officers and Directors

President – Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA, DNR, sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov, 608-267-9818

President Elect – Vacant

Past President – Eric Busse, DPI eric.busse@dpi.state.wi.us, 608-267-9199

Chapter Recognition – Dolly O’Laughlin, olaughlin@co.dane.wi.us, 608-242-6314

Secretary – Vacant

Treasurer – Roger Birkett, CPA, jabirk@charter.net

Historian – appointment pending

Membership Chair – appointment pending

Newsletter Editor – Lillian Radivojevich, radivojevich@co.dane.wi.us, 608-284-4801

Education Co-Chairs–Carrie Ferguson, CPA, LAB, carrie.ferguson@legis.state.wi.us, 608-259-9839

Mary Laufenberg, CGFM, CPA, DOR, mary.laufenberg@revenue.wi.gov, 608-266-1670

Webmaster – Scott Thornton, scott@goochpages.com

Community Service Chair – Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA, DNR, sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov

Research Coordinator & Liaison w/Other Profession Organizations – Vacant

CGFM Chair – Eric Busse, DPI eric.busse@dpi.state.wi.us, 608-267-9199

Awards Chair – Vacant

Early Careers Chair – Vacant

Directors -

Julie Gordon, CPA, UW System, jgordon@uwsa.edu, 608-263-4395

Thomas A. Scheidegger, CPA, thomas.scheidegger@bakertilly.com

RVP North Central Region – Sally McManus, CGFM, US DFAS

Chapter Website – www.aga-wis.org

Chapter Address – PO Box 1454; Madison, WI 53701-1454



SOUTHERN WISCONSIN CHAPTER