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CHAPTER



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NEW MEMBERS FIRST LUNCHEON MEETING IS FREE!

If you are a new member and you are attending your first luncheon, it's **FREE!** Please note this when making reservation.

Monthly Footnotes

JANUARY 2017

January Luncheon Meeting

Welcome Members and Non-Members

TOPIC: Annual Tax Update

SPEAKER: Ryan Mooney
Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP

DATE: Thursday, January 26, 2017

REGISTRATION: 11:30 a.m. **LUNCH:** 11:45 a.m.

COST: \$6 for Members, \$12 for Non-Members

PLACE: **Monona Garden Family Restaurant,**
6501 Bridge Road, Monona, WI, 53713, in
the back meeting room (Located just off
Broadway near Monona Road & beltline)

MENU: All sandwiches come with french fries, fruit or
cottage cheese and soda/ coffee/tea.

Cheeseburger

Chicken Supreme Sandwich-Grilled Chicken with
swiss cheese on sourdough

Mediterranean Salad romaine & iceberg lettuce,
onion, tomato, cucumbers, black olives, egg, feta
cheese with grilled pita bread and house dressing
(with or without grilled chicken)

RESERVATIONS: Contact Sherri Voigt by 11 a.m. on
Monday, January 23, 2017 with your name and membership
status and for carpooling information at 608) 266-
2814/email: sherriv@live.com

Reservations may be made from our website.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
Mary Laufenberg, CGFM, CPA

Hello everybody:

We are at the cusp of a new year and I hope everybody is looking forward to it. I know I am. Our Annual Symposium is scheduled on May 10, 2017; we are almost done finalizing this agenda. It is going to be a great list of speakers so stay tuned to our website for this information. Our next luncheon is scheduled on January 26, 2017; our speaker will be Ryan Mooney from Baker Tilly discussing the latest tax updates. We are looking for your thoughts on topics for our luncheons. If you have any suggestions, please drop me a note. I hope to see everybody at these future events; take care...

Mary Laufenberg
2016-17 Co-President
Southern Wisconsin Chapter of the
Association of Government Accountants

ABOUT THIS MONTH'S LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Ryan P. Mooney, CPA *Senior Tax Accountant*

Ryan P. Mooney, senior tax accountant with Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP, has been with the firm since 2014. Ryan is a member of the construction and real estate team and specializes in providing tax services.



Specific experience

Reviews and prepares individual, partnership, corporate, and fiduciary tax returns
Advises/assists clients with tax compliance and dispute resolution with taxing authorities
Conducts tax research regarding complex transactions
Calculates tax projections for individuals and flow-through entities

Industry involvement

Member of Wisconsin Institute of Certified Public Accountants (WICPA)
Member of American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)

Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison -- Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting
Macquarie University (Sydney, Australia) -- Internship and Study Abroad Program

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Chapter News

Salvation Army Donations still being collected at AGA lunch meetings:

- Wheeled Suitcases/Luggage
- Women's Underwear – All Sizes
- Large Diapers





\$20 Incentive Program for Recruiters of New Members

Starting January 2017, chapter members can earn incentive payments of \$20 for each new AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter member recruited by April 30, 2017.

The new chapter member's application must identify the recruiter as the sponsor and be submitted to and accepted by the AGA national office. Funds available for this recruitment effort are limited and will be paid on a first recruited, first paid basis. The AGA Membership Categories and annual dues are as follows:

Full Government Member	\$ 100
Private Sector Member	\$ 160
Early Career Member	\$ 45
Student Member	\$ 30
Retired	\$ 35
Lifetime (after 40 consecutive years)	FREE

Membership applications and instructions are available on the AGA national website at www.agacgfm.org under the Membership drop down menu near the top of the website homepage.

Questions about this program should be submitted to the chapter membership chairperson at david.mellem@oig.hhs.gov or 608-264-5415 ext. 25.

National News

DATA Act: Are We There Yet?

This session at the 2017 Financial Systems Summit will feature Joe Hungate, assistant CFO at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

[learn more](#)

Check out the 2017 National Leadership Training agenda

We're putting the final touches on the agenda, which features sessions on the DATA Act, change leadership and the presidential transition.

[learn more](#)

By the Number

1,422

Pounds of food donated to charities by AGA chapters and the national office.

[learn more](#)

Upcoming Events



View AGA's calendar for national and chapter events.

[learn more](#)

Chapter Spotlight



Charleston, SC
Hosted its inaugural chapter PDT — a great success!

[learn more](#)

Recap: Shared Services Summit — with important update

John Marshall, president and CEO of the Shared Services Leadership Coalition, recaps October's event — with one important caveat.

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SHARE YOUR NEWS

Please submit an article to the Newsletter Editor at



Calendar of Events 2016 – 2017

August 17, 2016 – Board Meeting, Parkway Family Restaurant

September , 2016 – Board Meeting

September 14, 2016 – Lunch Meeting Webinar, Avoiding Surprises and Assessing Risks:
Building on Today's Internal Controls, WHEDA Building, Department of Tourism

October 4, 2016 – Board Meeting, Parkway Restaurant, 1221 Ann Street, Madison, WI

October 20, 2016 – Luncheon Meeting, Speaker David P. Schmiedicke, Finance Director,
City of Madison, WI; Topic Budget and Borrowing for the City of Madison's Broad
Banding, Rigby's Restaurant, 119 East Main Street, Madison, WI

November 1, 2016 – Board Meeting -- CANCELLED

December 6, 2016 – Board Meeting

December 7, 2016 – Webinar, Ethics

January 3, 2017 – Board Meeting -- CANCELLED

**January 26, 2017 – Luncheon Meeting, Annual Tax Update, Ryan Mooney, Baker Tilley
Virchow Kraus, Monona Garden**

February 7, 2017 – Board Meeting

February 23, 2017 – Luncheon Meeting

March 7, 2017 – Board Meeting

March 23, 2017 – Luncheon Meeting

April 4, 2017 – Board Meeting

April 20, 2017 – Luncheon Meeting

May 2, 2017 – Community Service Event – MS Walk

May 7, 2017 – Board Meeting

May 10, 2017 – Annual Spring Symposium, UW-Madison Union South

June , 2017 – Board Meeting

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

*** subject to change as more detailed topic information becomes available***



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CGFM Chair – To be announced

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