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Monthly Footnotes

NOVEMBER 2015

November Luncheon Meeting

Welcome Members and Non-Members

TOPIC: OpenBook Wisconsin

SPEAKER: Scott Thornton, Department of Administration

DATE: Thursday, November 12, 2015

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

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

PLACE: Vintage Brewing Company
674 South Whitney Way

MENU: meals include pub chips, fountain
soda/tea/coffee

- ❖ **Cheeseburger** - cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion on a Parker House roll
- ❖ **Veggie Burger:** house-made black bean patty, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion on a Parker House roll
- ❖ **Crispy Buffalo Chicken Wrap:** crispy chicken tossed in buffalo sauce with cheddar jack cheese, lettuce, tomato, and ranch dressing in a garlic herb wrap

RESERVATIONS: Contact Sherri Voigt by 1 p.m. on Monday, November 9, 2015 with your name, membership status, meal choice (and for carpooling information) at (608) 266-2814 or sherriv@live.com.

Register on-line at www.aga-wis.org

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ABOUT THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Scott Thornton started his accounting career in the private sector and now has nearly 25 years of experience working at the Department of Administration. He has worked in the State Controller's Office, Division of Enterprise Technology, and the State Budget Office. He was part of the state team that implemented the WiSMART accounting system in the early 1990's and was the Functional Project Manager for the IBIS (Integrated Business Information System) project. He has been involved with the former and current PeopleSoft Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) initiative since 2005 and is a familiar face to many in state government.

He is currently the Finance Team Lead for the State of Wisconsin on the STAR (State Transforming Agency Resources) ERP implementation.

One Thing a Leader Must Do

Complimentary webinar for members only

Nov. 18 | 1–2 p.m. CT | Webinar | 1 CPE

This no-cost session will define leadership traits and detail how to overcome challenges and get a job done.

[Learn more](#) | [Register](#)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Mary Laufenberg, CGFM, CPA

Hello everybody:

As the weather is cooling down and furnaces are being turned on, we also are heating up our continuing education. Don't miss the education luncheon scheduled on November 12; the speaker is Scott Thornton and he will be speaking about OpenBook. This will be held at Vintage Brewing Company on Whitney Way. If you missed the last webinar, we have another webinar scheduled on December 2nd titled "Ethics in the WorkPlace" in the WHEDA Conference Room at 201 W Washington Avenue. This session is free.

Hope you can make one of these education topics. If you have any questions on this message, feel free to contact me at 608/438-8338.

Take care and stay warm....

News

AGA Collegiate Leadership Program Opportunity

This national scholarship program provides five full-time undergraduate college students with an opportunity to engage with and learn from leaders in government financial management at AGA's National Leadership Training (NLT), February 23 and 24, 2016 in Washington, D.C. The 2016 Program is accepting applications through December 7, 2015.

Participants of the Collegiate Leadership Program will:

- Have an onsite mentor to guide them around the NLT event
- Attend NLT sessions
- Sit at reserved tables for an exclusive lunch with corporate partner members and government officials
- Receive recognition at the event, including a certificate of participation and commemorative photo
- Earn CPEs for sessions they attend
- Complimentary e-membership in AGA for one year

The application, containing qualifications, requirements and limitations, can be found at https://www.agacgfm.org/AGA/Membership/collegiate_leadership_application2016.pdf.

The scholarship covers certain transportation and hotel expenses for attendance at the 2016 NLT event. The AGA Young Professionals Focus Group (YPPFG) is sponsoring this program.

Recruit New Members – Don't Delay!

\$20 Incentive Program Extended of New Members

The Southern Wisconsin AGA Chapter extended the \$20 recruiter incentive payment portion of the Member Recruitment Campaign for recruiting new AGA members.

Incentive Payments: You can earn an incentive single payment of \$20 as a Southern Wisconsin Chapter member simply by recruiting one or more new chapter members.

This campaign previously ended January 2015. Since funds from last year's program area still available, the Chapter board decided to extend the campaign. **The member recruitment program will run until the funds are used up.**

The new chapter member membership application must be submitted to and accepted by the AGA national office. The member recruiter must notify the chapter membership chairperson at david.mellem@oig.hhs.gov or 608-264-5415 ext. 25 by this submission deadline. Funds available for this recruitment effort are limited and will be paid on a first notice, first paid basis. Current 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

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.



As always, new members receive a free lunch meeting!

National News

3 ways recipients can prepare for DATA Act implementation

AGA and the recipient community recently discussed the Data Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014. [Learn how to prepare](#)

The time is now

Boost skills. Enhance your career. Make an impact. Join AGA's national/regional leadership team. [Learn more](#) | [Submit nominations by Oct. 30](#)

Reserve National Leadership Training booth space

Exhibiting offers an invaluable opportunity to network, cultivate leads and meet face-to-face with 600 government finance professionals. [Learn more](#)

Fraud Risk Management in Government Programs

Oct. 21 | 2–3:50 p.m. ET | Webinar | 2 CPEs

Learn how GAO's fraud risk management framework can enhance mitigation efforts at the local, state and federal levels. [Learn more and register](#)

Baltimore receives Certificate of Excellence for first Citizen-Centric Report

The city of Baltimore, Md., was applauded for the report's visual appeal, readability and use of a bilingual citizen survey. [View the CCR](#) | [Learn more about the CCR program](#)

Chapter spotlight: New York Capital

The New York Capital Chapter partners with two other local professional groups to put on an annual training event that funds the rest of their annual activities. [Learn more](#)

Millennials: don't forget to share your thoughts in a survey

If you were born in 1980 or later, please fill out this survey on career, goals and work experience in support of AGA's Young Professionals Focus Group. [Learn more](#)

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ARE YOU MOVING?

Please notify both your chapter and AGA National of your address change. Update your address online at the national website in the members' only area: www.agacgfm.org

If you ever come up with a topic or speaker you think the local AGA chapter should offer, let us know!!! We are always looking for ideas. (contact Chapter President Mary Laufenberg at maryfred6998@gmail.com)



Over the past couple of months, we were contacted with some ideas. If we are able to locate a presenter, we will be offering some additional training over the winter. Keep watching our calendar of events for

BY THE NUMBER

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CPEs available to members
from the remaining
webinars in 2015



Calendar of Events 2015 – 2016

July 7, 2015 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

August 11, 2015 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

September 17, 2015 – Lunch Meeting, John Pohlman, DNR, “The Sauk Prairie Restoration Area Master Plan“, Rigby Pub

October 6, 2015 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison--CANCELLED

October 21, 2015 – Fraud Prevention Audio Conference, WI DOT, 4802 Sheboygan Ave

November 2, 2015 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

November 12, 2015 – Lunch Meeting, OpenBook Wisconsin, Scott Thornton, WI Department of Administration, Vintage Brewing Company

November 18, 2015 – AGA National Free Webinar for Members

December 8, 2015 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

December 16, 2015 – Ethics Audio Conference, WHEDA, 201 West Washington

January 5, 2016 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

January 28, 2016 – Lunch Meeting, Annual Tax Update,

February 2, 2016 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

February 3, 2016 – AGA National Free Webinar for Members

February 25, 2016 – Lunch Meeting

March 1, 2016 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

March 24, 2016 – Lunch Meeting,

April 5, 2016 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

April 28, 2016 – Lunch Meeting

May 1, 2016 – Community Service Event – MS Walk

May 3, 2016 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

May 11, 2016 – Annual Spring Symposium, UW-Madison Union South

May 25, 2016 – AGA National Free Webinar for Members

June 7, 2016 – Board Meeting, Hometown Buffet, Madison

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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