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Monthly Footnotes

December 2024



HAPPY HOLIDAYS
Ho Ho Ho!

AGA National Members Only Webinar

Leading Through Transition

Free Members-Only Webinar

December 11 | 1:00–2:15 PM CT | 1.5 CPEs

Program Level: Overview

Prerequisite: None

Advance Preparation: None required

Field of Study: Personal Development (PD)

How to Register

Online Registration Process

Online registrations are for this webinar only.

[Single Attendee
Registration](#)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA

There is still a little time if you have not signed up for the AGA National Free Members Only webinar scheduled for December 11, 1-2:15 central time

The chapter is working on the ins & outs of using Conferences i/o for webinars. Chapter webinars will be scheduled as we get through the administrative parts of recording CPE codes, completing evaluations, and sending out CPE forms.

Save the Date! The Annual Symposium is May 6 at Union South. We are working on getting the speakers and topics confirmed, but the general information is on page 4 of the newsletter. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sherri



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The fall edition of the **Journal of Government Financial Management** is online and ready to read. The theme, Ethics, inspired a variety of interesting and informative contributions, including:

- Experts & Accountability for Government Through the Centuries
- Seven Ethical Concerns About Generative AI
- Digital Data Standards Support Greater Transparency & Opportunity in Municipal Bond Markets
- Ethics is Doing the Right Thing in Earning Public Trust
- Graphic Images: Improving Communication With Visuals
- Budgeteers: A Critical Force for Federal Budgeting and Its Improvement

Are you still receiving a printed copy of the *Journal*? Make the eco-friendly choice and switch to the electronic version. **Update your preferences** under **My Account**.

Interested in contributing? Check out the upcoming **Journal themes and deadlines** and start writing!

Chapter Board Meeting Minutes-Meeting Date 12/04/24

Attendees: Roger Birkett, Abby Hundt, Lily Radivojevich, Andrew Stovich, Sheri Voigt

Treasurer's Report: balance \$20,866.51 as of 12/04/24

- Board voted and approved to investigate depositing \$10,000 in a federally insured bank or credit union for a Certificate of Deposit (CD) for term of 6 months up to 2 years.

NCC/National Office Meeting Update

- ACE program-need financial review; Joanne Thomas shall review Chapter Board financial information and transactions to audit compliance with rules and regulations.
- LEAD!2025-AGA's chapter and national leadership training event will be held in-person Thursday, April 24-Saturday, April, 26. Attendees and representatives must be approved by Board; names of attendees must be submitted to the National Office by January 15.

Education Updates

- 2025 Symposium Scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025, in-person event.
- 2025 Symposium location issues--University of Wisconsin Union South will require sponsorship from a University of Wisconsin division/school or charge a fee to hold the event.
- Scheduling of 2025 symposium speakers ongoing.
- Discussion of 2024 Symposium evaluation results.
- Webinars--working on conference I/O setup to test practice sessions to verify script, use of codes, how attendees enter information and, CPE form functionality.

Newsletter

- December newsletter to be completed by December 6th and to include member's only webinar on 12/11, symposium save-the-date and photos, and national events.

Set Meeting Schedule

- Possible schedule for Board meetings is as follows:
Wednesdays: 12/04, 1/8 or 1/15, 2/5, 3/5, 4/2, 4/30, 6/4
Mondays: 01/06, 02/03, 03/03, 04/07, 04/27 or 05/05, 06/02
Thursdays: 01/09, 02/06, 03/06, 04/03, 05/01, 06/05
- Next Board meeting scheduled for January 6, future Board meetings schedule shall be determined at that time.



2025 ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM

47th ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Up to 6.5 CPE CREDITS Available

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

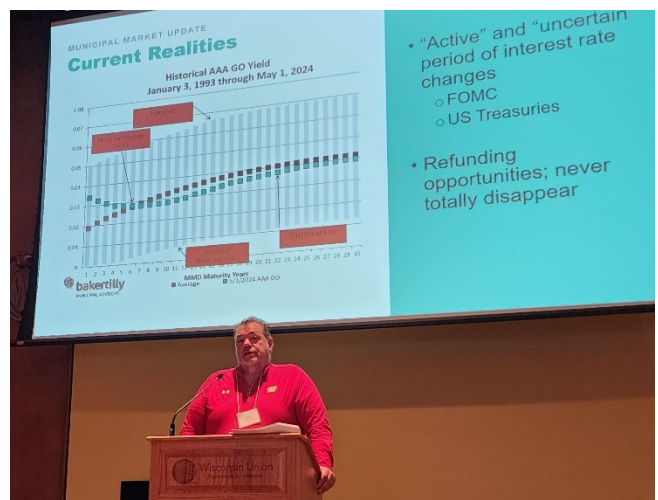
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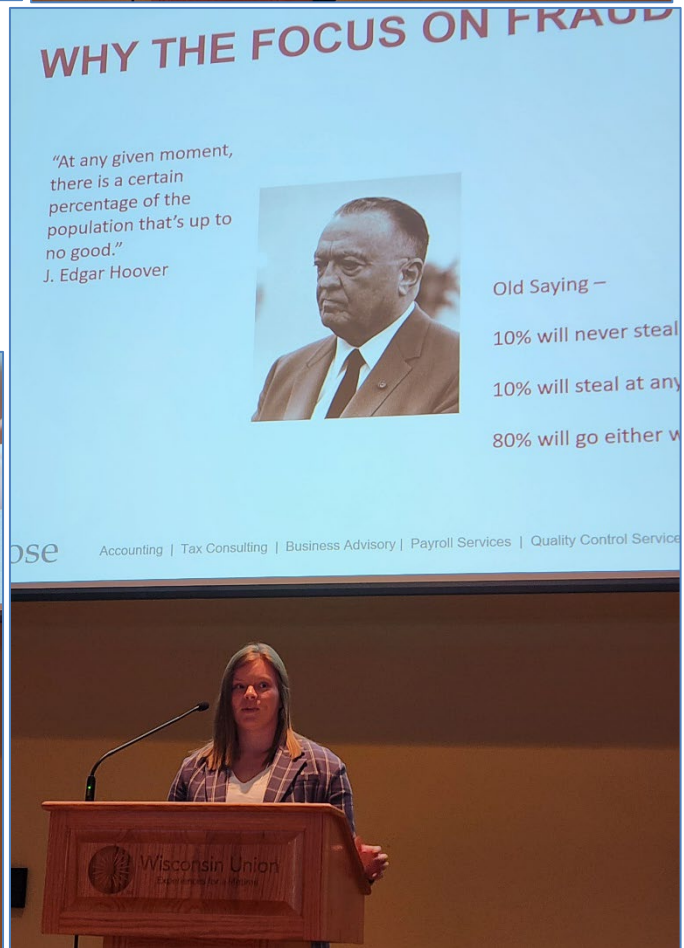
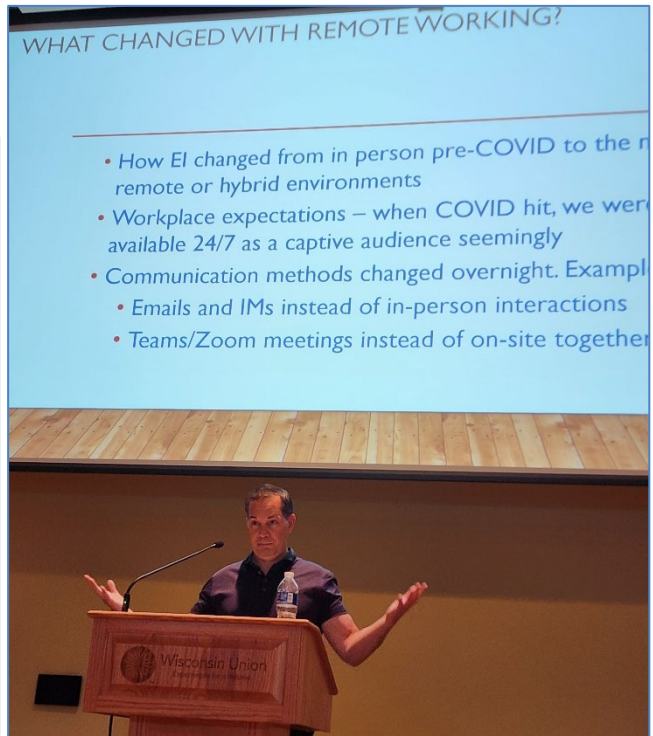
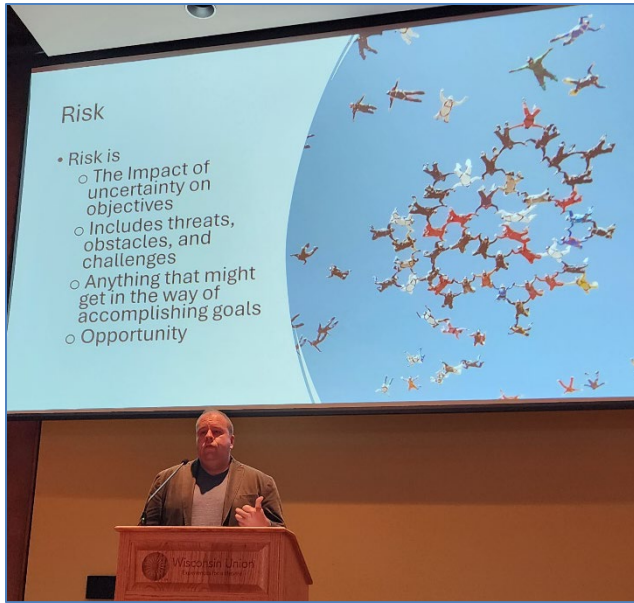
Members \$ 55.00

Non-Members \$110.00

2024 Symposium Recap and Photos

The Southern Wisconsin AGA Chapter, 46th annual ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE was a great success... conference attendees had the opportunity to grow their professions network, build their knowledge base, and expand their professional resources. **Thank you** all for attending and making our 46th annual conference such a success!





Below is a leadership seminar opportunity from an area organization which may be of interest to some AGA Southern Wisconsin chapter members:



2025 WWIG
Seminar Flyer.pdf

Wisconsin Women in Government Leadership Seminar

Are you ready to take your leadership skills to the next level? The Wisconsin Women in Government Leadership Seminar is your gateway to a transformative experience designed to empower and inspire.

The [application](#) for the 2025 Wisconsin Women in Government (WWIG) Leadership Seminar is now open! This prestigious seminar, offered in cooperation with the La Follette School of Public Affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, is designed to provide women in federal, state, or local government—and private sector professionals who work with government—the opportunity to enhance their management and leadership skills.

Program Overview

Subsidized by sponsors including the Wisconsin Counties Association and the League of Wisconsin Municipalities, participants pay only \$400. The WWIG Leadership Seminar will take place on **March 7 and March 14, 2025**, on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus.

Application Deadline

All application materials are due by January 3, 2025. Selected applicants will be notified via email by January 10, 2025. Please click [HERE](#) for the application.

Who Should Apply?

The program is open to women in management or leadership roles in Wisconsin, in government or private sectors, who are passionate about furthering their careers in government. Applicants should demonstrate commitment to both days of the seminar, possess a Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience, and show initiative and strong communication skills.

Application Requirements

Please submit:

- Completed application
- Résumé
- Responses to essay questions
- Two letters of recommendation

All materials should be emailed to wwigquestions@gmail.com with "Leadership Seminar Application" in the subject line.

This is a unique opportunity to gain valuable skills, build connections with fellow professionals, and take your leadership to the next level. We encourage you to apply today!

<http://wiscwomeningovernment.org/leadership-seminar/>

AGA NATIONAL OFFICE TOPICS: NEWS AND UPDATES

FASAB Invites Feedback on *FY2024 Annual Report and Three-Year Plan*

The Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) published its *Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024 and Three-Year Plan* on Nov. 15. The combined report allows stakeholders to consider FASAB's progress and invites them to advise the FASAB on its plans. Stakeholders are asked to provide written comments by Jan. 17, 2025. Feedback can be emailed to fasab@fasab.gov. Help shape the future of federal accounting standards by sharing your input!

[Read Report](#)

Nominations Are Open for the National Governing Board

Nominations for the AGA National Governing Board (NGB) are currently open. Highly qualified individuals may self-nominate for the positions of President-elect, Treasurer-elect and Director at Large. If you are interested in serving on the NGB, please click [here](#) or use the button below to submit the nomination form. The nomination portal is open until **Dec. 15**.

[Nominate Today](#)

Winter Virtual CGFM Courses

Registration is now open for our January and February 2025 open-enrollment classes. Participants will be able to ask questions as the instructor leads them through the material. Free access to the latest online study guide is included!

[Learn More](#)

National Collegiate
Leadership Scholarship



It's Time to Apply!

Applications due **Dec. 1**

AGA's CFO Survey Report Released

AGA, in collaboration with Guidehouse, introduces the latest edition of its CFO Survey Series, entitled ***Building Clear Business Cases to Navigate Turbulent Times***. This year's survey highlights the pressing challenge CFOs face of balancing investments in aging system operations with the need to adopt emerging technologies. This report identifies trends and best practices to help CFOs and their organizations successfully craft and support effective, innovative business cases.

[Read Report](#)

Course Spotlight: Professional Polish in the Public Sector

Held virtually or at your location, this highly-rated course will help your staff:

- provide exceptional customer service/work with difficult people
- develop better interpersonal skills
- increase their confidence
- improve written communication by avoiding common mistakes
- make better and quicker decisions
- approach difficult situations and manage conflict
- use criticism for self-improvement
- boost public-speaking abilities

[Learn More](#)



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AGA is the association that connects and empowers professionals who support government, from financial management to IT, human resources, cybersecurity and more, to advance good government initiatives, grow their expertise and accelerate their careers.



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Calendar of Events 2024 – 2025

Schedule of webinars to be announced.

December 2024 Board Meeting – Virtual

January 2025 Board Meeting-Virtual

February 2025 Board Meeting-Virtual

March 2025 Declared as CGFM Month

March 2025 Board Meeting-Virtual

April 2025 Board Meeting-Virtual

May 2025 Board Meeting-Virtual

May 6, 2025 Annual Spring Symposium, UW-Madison Union South – in person

June 2025 Board Meeting-Virtual

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

*** Dates, topics, and locations subject to change as information that is more detailed becomes available. ***



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Chapter Officers and Directors 2024 – 2025

President – Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA, WI DOA

President Elect – Vacant

Treasurer – Roger Birkett

Historian – Vacant

Membership Chair – Abby Hundt

Newsletter Editor – Lillian Radivojevich

Education Chair – Vacant

Awards Chair – Vacant

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