



Monthly Footnotes

February 2025

Save the Date!

**2025 ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM**

47th ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Up to 6.5 CPE CREDITS Available

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

**Brochure and registration
details coming soon!**

Prerequisites: None

Advanced Preparation: None Required

Delivery Method: In Person

Program Level: Overview

Registration Fee:

AGA Member \$55

Non-Member \$110

Confirmed Speakers:

Billy Morehead, Ph.D., CPA, CGFM, CGMA,
Mississippi College

Fraud & Internal Control 2 CPE

Behavioral Ethics 2 CPE

Gwen Sykes, MPA, CGFM, SRC Inc, former AGA
National President

Leadership in Government 1.5 CPE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA

Hello AGA Chapter!

AGA Southern Wisconsin has a lot of things in motion. Most notable is that the Spring Symposium schedule is nearly finalized and the registration information will be available soon. We are working on setting up some chapter webinars and will be starting to use Conferences I/O for attendance tracking, Q&A during the session, and CPE certificates.

AGA National has some upcoming events that are free for members

AGA Members only webinar	March 12	1.5 CPE
Performance Counts Summit	May 13	4.0 CPE
AGA Members only webinar	May 14	1.5 CPE

Go to www.agacgfm.org for details and to register.

It is membership renewal season! All memberships expire on March 31. In past years, AGA National has let these hold off until April for late renewals, but they will be doing a firm cut-off this year. Keep this in mind if you want to register for any of the May members only sessions! This year they will only be sending renewal invoices by email. You can pay on-line and have the option to select "auto renewal." They are also adding a way to indicate you would like to get text message updates from them; over 700 people have opted in over the past month.

If you have been thinking about the CGFM certification, be sure to check out the great specials in February. When you submit your application, you will get the bonus item noted on the specials calendar (see page 5 for more information). This would be a great kick-start to enhance your career path.

Sherri



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Abby Hundt Accepting Volunteer of the Year Award At PDT 2024 in Denver



Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – January 06, 2025

Attendees: Roger Birkett, Alicia Miller, Lily Radivojevich, Andrew Stovich, Sheri Voigt

Treasurer's Report: balance \$20,888.76 as of 12/31/24

General Items

- Annual Zoom meeting fee of \$159.90 approved by unanimous vote.
- 2025 CGFM proclamations requested. Andy Stovich will be documenting the process to obtain the proclamations, including the following:
 1. appropriate language and a note to update current membership
 2. list of websites
 3. date proclamations need to be requested
 4. proclamations need to be requested in two formats, pdf and paper form

NCC/National Office Meeting Update

- ACE program – A number of mandatory sections need to be completed. Joanne Thomas will review Chapter Board financial information and transactions to audit compliance with rules and regulations.
- LEAD!2025 - AGA's chapter leadership training event will be held in Baltimore Thursday, April 24 to Saturday, April 26. Sherri Voigt and Abby Hundt will attend the national leadership training. Abby Hundt will serve as the National Council of Chapters representative for the next year.

Education Updates

- 2025 Symposium
 - Scheduled for Tuesday, May 6, 2025, in-person event
 - University of Wisconsin Union South will charge a one-day membership fee of \$750.00 unless we locate a UW Madison Department to sponsor the event
 - 6.0 or 6.5 CPE shall be offered for the symposium
 - Scheduling of 2025 symposium speakers ongoing
- Webinars – continuing work on conference I/O setup to test practice sessions to verify script, use of codes, how attendees enter information and, CPE form functionality

Newsletter

February newsletter to be completed by the end of January. Include picture of Abby Hundt accepting Volunteer of the Year Award.

AGA National Press Release



Celebrating 75 Years

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January 30, 2025

For Immediate Release

AGA Announces 75th Anniversary Celebration

Alexandria, Va. — AGA, the premier association for advancing government accountability, is proud to announce a year-long celebration of its 75th anniversary. Since its inception in 1950, AGA has empowered and connected thousands of financial related professionals, helping them advance accountability and transparency in government, grow robust community networks and accelerate their careers through education and certification.

Over the decades, the growth of the U.S. budget and expansion of government programs to strengthen our economy, defend our nation and provide resources for those in need, has been facilitated by our community—laser-focused on transparency and accountability, internal controls, fraud prevention and detection, program evaluation and performance improvement. The need for this community of members has never been greater than it is today.

With a new president and administration, we expect change. What will not change, however, is AGA's mission to educate, empower and connect accountability professionals across the nation. With chapters in nearly every state, we invite those concerned about efficiency in government spending to join us to engage, discover community and find common cause.

From offering the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) credential, conducting numerous research studies and publishing the quarterly *Journal of Government Financial Management*, to hosting policy experts at national trainings and providing continuing education through online events, AGA empowers members to be the thought leaders driving change and advancing the business of government.

This year we will celebrate our rich history of positive impact in the government community, as well as gear up for an exciting future. AGA is redoubling its efforts to capture the energy and enthusiasm of students and young professionals, a vital component to re-invigorating the spirit of public service and civic engagement.

In the words of Ann Ebberts, AGA's CEO, "I'm proud to be leading AGA, where every day we engage with dedicated and innovative government and private sector professionals as they employ best financial practices to plan, fund and evaluate vital services, and report on results for our citizens."

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated public servants who have contributed to both our government's and AGA's success over the years—our past leaders and board members, committee volunteers, authors, event speakers and attendees, instructors and mentors, and CGFMs and CPAs. The commitment of our members across nearly 80 local chapters goes far beyond their prescribed duties, and their enthusiasm is boundless. Let us embrace 2025 as we celebrate AGA's rich history and its promising future! www.agacgfm.org

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CGFM 30th Anniversary Promotion

Free item based on the week you submit your application. For details, go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM/CGFMPromo.aspx>

Once you apply, you have 18 months to successfully complete the 3 exams.



Apply to the CGFM Program in February and SAVE!

FEBRUARY 2025 **CGFM**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Free! Online CGFM Study Guide 1						
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Free! Online CGFM Study Guide 2						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Free! Online CGFM Study Guide 3						
23	24	25	26	27	28	
Free! CGFM Exam						

»» Learn More

The Chapter offers reimbursement of exam fees after you pass all 3 parts. For more information, contact Sherri Voigt at sherri-aga@hotmail.com.

AGA NATIONAL OFFICE TOPICS: NEWS AND UPDATES

AGA FMSB Submits Comments on the FASAB Annual Report

AGA Financial Management Standards Board (FMSB) provided comments on the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) *Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024 & Three-Year Plan*.

[View Comments](#)

It's Back! In-Person CGFM Training

AGA is excited to offer in-person CGFM training in Alexandria, Virginia. Course 2 will be held on March 24–26 and Course 3 will be held on May 6–7. Space is limited, so register soon! Course 3 is also being offered virtually on Feb. 4–6.

[Learn More](#)

**NLT '25 Early Bird
Pricing Ends Soon!**



[save today](#)

GAO Releases Most Recent Audit of FY 2024 and FY 2023 Federal Government Financials

GAO's report on the U.S. government's consolidated financial statements for fiscal years 2024 and 2023 discusses progress that has been made but also underscores that much work remains to improve federal financial management and that the federal government continues to face an unsustainable long-term fiscal path.

[Read Full Report](#)

NEW! Virtual Budgeting Course

Attend our new virtual course, *Budget Formulation*, on April 10. This 4-hour training introduces students to the federal budget formulation process, describing the President's Budget, the submission of budget requests to OMB, the OMB fall review of requests, the pass back of decisions to departments, the appeal and final decision, and the congressional justification.

[Learn More](#)

AGA FMSB Submits Comments on the GASB Infrastructure Assets

The FMSB provided comments on the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's *Infrastructure Assets* preliminary views (Project 3-43P).

[Read Comments](#)

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Abby Hundt and Sherri Voigt at PDT in Denver



Calendar of Events 2024-2025

November 21, 2024	Board Meeting - Virtual
December 4, 2024	Board Meeting - Virtual
January 6, 2025	Board Meeting - Virtual
February 6, 2025	Board Meeting - Virtual
March 2025 Declared as CGFM Month	
March 2025	Board Meeting
March 12, 2025	AGA National Members Only Webinar
April 2025	Board Meeting - virtual
April 2025	Webinar – to be announced
May 2025	Board Meeting - virtual
May 6, 2025	Annual Spring Symposium, UW-Madison Union South – in person
May 13, 2025	AGA National-Performance Counts Summit
May 14, 2025	AGA National Members Only Webinar
June 2025	Board Meeting - virtual
June 2025	Webinar – to be announced

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

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



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WISCONSIN
CHAPTER**

Chapter Officers and Directors 2024-2025

President – Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA, WI DOA

President Elect – Vacant

Treasurer – Roger Birkett

Membership Chair – Abby Hundt, CPA

Newsletter Editor – Lillian Radivojevich

Education Chair – Vacant

Awards Chair – Vacant

Accountability Outreach Chair – Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA, WI DOA

Webmaster – Scott Thornton

Community Service Chair – To be announced

CGFM Chair – To be announced

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