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President's Message



AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders, committed to advancing government accountability.

New Members

Irma Nuar

Congratulations new CGFMs

Malcolm C. Mark

Helen M. Moyer

Leslie Ann Ricardo

AGA operates under a national-chapter partnership with its 100 chapters located throughout the U.S., Guam, Japan, Puerto Rico and Saipan. AGA is governed by a National Board of Directors (NBD), which includes regional leaders and chapter presidents. AGA's 16-member National Executive Committee (NEC) acts for the NBD, meeting quarterly to discuss strategic issues. The day-to-day operation of the Association is handled by the National Office, headquartered in Alexandria, VA, with 28 employees reporting to an executive director who reports to the AGA National President. More than 800 volunteer members serve the Association through committees, boards, and chapters. Thanks for being one of them!

(An excerpt from the Journal of Government

Fall Equinox

As the weather gets cooler the New Orleans Chapter of AGA looks to heat things up with a flurry of activities before the holidays. Our first meeting of the year was held on September 15th at Zea's Restaurant on St. Charles and was a rousing success. New member Floyd Miles beat the odds and won our raffle for the 1-hour massage and 50/50 Raffle. Congratulations Floyd! We look forward to seeing you and all of our new members at the next dinner meeting where hopefully you can continue your lucky streak.

Prior to Floyd's double win in our raffle we were treated to a great meal and inspirational speaker Joe Threat Sr., Acting Executive Director of the Louisiana Recovery FEMA Office. He gave us an overview of his career while inspiring us to "make a decision" in whatever we do rather than waver or be indecisive. Those words are resounding especially in our current economic climate as we must make a decision to be active in our Chapter, make a decision to give back to the community and make a decision to be the best in our day to day lives. I challenge each Chapter member to be active in the Chapter. You can by attending the meetings to obtain CPE credit while having a great meal or by giving your time at one of the many community service activities.

For the month of October our Community Service Chair Kimberly Henry has put together The Race for the Cure 5K and 1-mile fun run/walk to benefit the New Orleans Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Race proceeds go directly to breast cancer screening, treatment, research and education programs in our area. The event will be held on Saturday October 22 starting at 8 a.m. in City Park. If you cannot attend, monetary donations are still being accepted and can be sent to: Association of Government Accountants (AGA), P.O. Box 29186, New Orleans, LA 70189-0186. Payable to: AGA. In the memo line annotate: "Race for the Cure, 2nd Annual Fight Against Breast Cancer Ball, Ball Admittance Fee or Gift Donation." Lets all do our part to save lives and end breast cancer by empowering people, and ensuring quality care for those affected.

Members looking to attain their CPE requirements as the calendar year draws to a close are reminded to attend the audio conference sessions in November at the National Finance Center. Members can also take advantage of our CPE subscription agreement with Becker where for \$350 a year you have access to all of Becker's courses via webcast or on-demand for more information please contact me at Patrick_Nedd@msn.com or any AGA officer.

Our upcoming joint meeting to be held with the National Association of Black Accountants is an opportunity for our members to network, socialize and learn about other professional associations in the city. Make sure you join us for the upcoming meeting to be held at New Orleans Hamburger and Seafood. The First 50 members who confirm their attendance to the meeting by Friday October 14, 2011, 3 p.m. will be entered into a special drawing for 4 tickets to the Audubon Aquarium of the Americas and the Audubon Zoo.

In closing I again challenge members to be active in the Chapter whether it be community service or monthly meeting attendance. The strength of the Chapter is dependent on engaged members. Your suggestions or comments on how to make our Chapter better are always welcome. We are here to serve you!

The October 20th meeting will be held at New Orleans Hamburger and Seafood located at 4141 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA.

*Patrick S. Nedd, MBA
Chapter President*

NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER OFFICERS 2011-2012



(seated left to right) Gloria Samuels, Kimberly Henry, Patrick Nedd, Linda Lewis, Faye Martin (standing left to right) Christopher Lewis, Knica Lloyd, Gary Millet, Marcie Tureaud, Jason Harris, Thomas Sylveste

New Orleans
Chapter Meeting
September 15, 2011



**Association of Government Accountants
Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2011**

- AGA held its September 2011 meeting at Zea's Restaurant, New Orleans, LA. AGA New Orleans President Patrick Nedd opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by the opening prayer given by Linda Lewis
- 28 AGA members were in attendance and 10 guests.
- Following the meal, the speaker was introduced by Membership Co-chair Jason Harris
- Guest Speaker Joseph Threat Sr. spoke on the many challenges facing the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Louisiana Recovery Office. Mr. Threat Sr. currently serves as Acting Executive Director of FEMA, Louisiana Recovery Office. He also spoke on the ongoing recovery efforts in many areas across the U.S. and some of the ways they get the word out about FEMA's role after disaster strikes.
- AGA President-elect Knica Lloyd presented Mr. Threat Sr. with a certificate from the AGA New Orleans Chapter.
- Ms. Karen Whitaker, Field Marketing Specialist for Becker Professional Education gave a brief explanation on Becker professional education. She explained which Becker courses are approved and are being offered for accounting and finance professionals. Ms. Whitaker invited all in attendance to log onto www.becker.com to learn more.
- The 50/50 raffle and Estheteque Facial spa raffle were both won by Mr. Floyd Miles.
- Next meeting will be held at New Orleans Hamburger and Seafood, 4141 St. Charles Ave.

Meeting adjourned

Linda Lewis,
Secretary



Community Service Project



RACE FOR THE CURE Saturday, October 22, 2011

General Information:

You must have a minimum of 10 participants to register as a team. The easiest way to register is to sign up at www.kommeneworleans.org, the first person starts the team and everyone else can join online. For paper registration, all registration forms for a team must be submitted as a group. The team captain should verify that all participants have signed their registration form. Team packets must be dropped off at Clearview Mall in Metairie on Friday October 14th (12:00 noon – 6:00pm) or Saturday October 15th (10:00 am – 6:00 pm) in order to be processed as a team. Team registration will close on October 10, 2011. Late entries will not be accepted and must be registered as individual participants. Team packets may be accessed from the web site at www.kommeneworleans.org or picked up at the Susan G. Komen office 4141 Veterans Memorial Blvd., Suite 202, Metairie, LA 70002, Monday – Friday.

In Advance:

Please feel free to collect donation or pledges from friends. This is strictly voluntary but a great way to raise money for the fight against breast cancer. Consider designing a team T-shirt or creating other ways of celebrating your team. Registration can be done on the internet @ kommeneworleans.org. The process to register as a team is easy, the Team Captain sets up her team name, she gives the team information to all participants and they go to kommeneworleans.org. The individual registering pays with their credit card and states their T-shirt size. The Team Captain comes to Clearview Mall in Metairie on one of the above dates and picks up his/her team's T-shirts and runner/walker bib numbers.

Race Week

Team Captains who registered online can come to Clearview Mall and get their shirts and walker/runner bib numbers, a list of teams and T-shirt sizes will be available. If you opt not to use the website bring your team packet to Clearview Mall Friday October 14th from (12:00 noon - 6:00pm) & Saturday October 15th, from (10:00am - 6:00 pm). Select a meeting spot for your team to gather on race day. Make sure all members know this spot as it will cause for less confusion on race day.

Race Day

Rain or shine, join the festivities! The Komen New Orleans Race for the Cure will occur rain or shine. We reserve the right to cancel in extreme circumstances. In that event, there will be no refunds; rather your entry fee will be used as a donation to the Komen New Orleans Race for the Cure.

For more information contact Kimberly Henry Myles at 504-426-5327 or
kimberly.henry@usda.gov

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 20, 2011.

Guest Speaker:

To Be Announced

Please RSVP (klloyd@lla.la.gov), Faye Martin (fmartin@lla.la.gov) or Patrick Nedd (patrick.nedd@msn.com) by

Tuesday, October 18, 2011.

Event Date: October 20, 2011 (Thursday)

Time: 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Networking with Cash Bar
6:00 PM Dinner Meeting

Location: Location: New Orleans Hamburger & Seafood
4141 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70130
(504) 247-9753

Menu:

Fried Catfish

Baked Mac 'n Cheese

Vegetable of the Day

New Orleans Bread Pudding

Iced Tea, Water & Coffee

Member Cost: \$22

Non-Member Cost: \$25

AGA - New Orleans Chapter 2011-2012 Community Service Plan Planned Community Service Events

1. School Supplies – August 2011 through September 2011 – Completed
Assist Orleans Parish Schools by donating school supplies to help needy (Most deserving school will be selected by the Community Service Chair)
2. Susan G. Komen – Race for Cure - Saturday, October 22, 2011.
AGA team to walk for a cure.
3. Thanksgiving – Canned and Dry Goods

Replenish the Second Harvesters Food Bank of Greater New Orleans – November 2011
4. Toys for Tots – Adopt-A-Child
Christmas Gifts for Needy Children – December 2011
5. Children’s Hospital “A Child is Born” Bring Love Peace and Joy
University Choir/Quartet Singing Christmas Carols to hospitalized children –December 2011
6. Rebuilding Together New Orleans (www.rtno.org)
Assist with revitalizing houses for the elderly, disabled, or families with children – TBD
7. Dress for Success – SOS “Send One Suit” Week
Accept donations of slightly used clothing for disadvantaged women entering the workforce – TBD
8. Win a Mural Contest!
College students from the surrounding Universities and/or Colleges are chosen to create a Mural for the winning Elementary, Middle or Secondary School by essay entry.
9. On-going Community Service Collections
Slightly used DVDs for area Nursing Homes
Magazines for Nursing Homes
Cell phones for Battered Women
Personal Care Products
Slightly used clothes for mission centers

**Association of Government Accountants
Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM)
Annual Plan for the New Orleans Chapter
2010-2011**

GOAL 1 – Support Current CGFMs

- ❑ Publish CGFM member's achievements in newsletter and local newspapers.
- ❑ Partner with other organizations and/or governmental entities to promote the CGFM designation.
- ❑ Recognize local CGFMs by using the CGFM designation in chapter publications, name tags, etc.
- ❑ Contribute items to chapter newsletter such as CGFM recognition, study suggestions, encouragement, and technical requirements.
- ❑ Publicize new CGFMs in chapter and local publications.

GOAL 2 – Market CGFM Locally

- ❑ Encourage employer policy change to recognize CGFM.
- ❑ Solicit endorsements of CGFM from area employers and elected officials.
- ❑ Coordinate with the Regional and National coordinators to assist in promoting the Chapters goal.
- ❑ Contact area government accountability leaders.
- ❑ Create an awareness of the value of CGFM to the general public.

GOAL 3 – Assist Potential New CGFMs in Attaining Certification

- ❑ Coordinate study groups.
 - ❑ Develop a mentoring program.
 - ❑ Develop other study options.
 - ❑ Develop a plan in the Chapter to offer CGFM courses.
 - ❑ Provide a CGFM Examination Scholarship.
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RECOGNITION POINTS 2010-2011

Recognition Categories	Max Credits Per Category	Credits Through August 2011
Chapter Leadership Planning and Participation	3,000	2,600
Education & Professional Development	4,000	900
Certification	4,000	1,000
Communications	3,000	1,532
Membership (Early Career and Student Members)	4,000	400
Accountability	2,000	50
Community Service	2,000	1,000
Awards	1,000	0
Total	22,000	7,482

AGA New Orleans Chapter Meetings 2010-2011

Date	Time	Location*	Speaker & CPE
October 20, 2011	5:30 P.M.	New Orleans Hamburger & Seafood 4141 St. Charles Avenue New Orleans, LA	Joint Meeting with National Association of Black Accountants Speaker: TBD 1 CPE
November 17, 2011	5:30 P.M.	National WWII Museum 945 Magazine Street New Orleans, LA	Speaker: TBD 1 CPE
December 17, 2011	7:00 P.M.	TBD	Christmas Party
January 19, 2012	11:30 A.M.	National Finance Center Executive Dining Room 13800 Old Gentilly Road New Orleans, LA	Internal Revenue Service Representative – Tax Update 1 CPE
February 16, 2012	11:30 A.M.	Commanders Palace 1403 Washington Avenue New Orleans, LA	Speaker: TBD 1 CPE
March 15, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Five Happiness Restaurant 3605 S. Carrollton Avenue New Orleans, LA	Joint Meeting with American Society of Women Accountants (their year to book speaker) 1 CPE
April 19, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Middendorf's 30160 Hwy. 51 Akers, LA	Joint Meeting with Baton Rouge Chapter Speaker: Richard O. Bunce AGA National President 1 CPE
May 17, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Green Acre's Country Club 5000 W. Napoleon Avenue Metairie, LA	Crawfish Boil/Chapter Awards Ceremony
June 1, 2012	5:30 P.M.	Zephyr Stadium 6000 Airline Drive Metairie, LA	Baseball Game

* Tentative – Locations and Speakers based upon availability

ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTANTS
 NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER
 STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
 AS OF JUNE 30, 2011

ASSETS		TWELVE MONTHS ENDED	
CURRENT ASSETS		OPERATING REVENUES	
CASH	\$ 1,441.00	EDUCATION	\$ 3,985.00
SAVINGS	3,235.52	MONTHLY MEETINGS	4,956.12
DEPOSITS	0.00	50/50 EDUCATION RAFFLE	72.00
PREPAID SEMINAR	0.00	MEMBERSHIP DUES	770.45
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	<u>2,310.00</u>	SPONSORSHIP	1,100.00
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$6,986.52</u>	INTEREST INCOME	<u>61.86</u>
		TOTAL REVNEUES	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$10,945.43</u>
LIABILITIES		EDUCATION	\$2,391.60
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 501.36	MEETINGS	8,701.79
NET ASSTS		50/50 EDUCATION RAFFLE	37.00
MEMBERSHIP	\$ 460.32	POSTAGE/SUPPLIES/GIFTS	37.19
HABITAT FOR HUNAMITY	-	PDC EXPENSES	851.09
HURRICAN RELIEF FUND	1,923.83	BANK SERVICE CHARGES	60.51
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	4,101.01	SCHOLARSHIP	500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND		DONATIONS	100.00
NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 6,986.52</u>		<u>731.63</u>
		OFFICER EXPENSES	
		TOTAL OPERATING	
		EXPENSES	\$13,410.81
		OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(2,465.38)
		NON OPERATING REV / (EXP)	-
		INCOME (LOSS)	
		BEFORE CONTR	(2,465.38)
		CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
		(PRIOR YEAR	<u>(269.04)</u>
		ADJUSTMENT)	\$ (2,734.42)
		CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	
		NET ASSETS BEGINNING	<u>6,835.43</u>
		OF PERIOD	
		NET ASSETS AT END OF	
		PERIOD	<u>\$ 4,101.01</u>

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