

**Special
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- Spring Seminar April 29, 2014
- April Monthly Meeting at Trey Yuen in Hammond, LA April 30
- Mary Peterman, National President at April Meeting

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President's Message

Hello AGA Member and Friends,

MEMBERSHIP (WE WANT YOU) - Although memberships expired on March 31st, there is still time to renew your AGA membership for the upcoming 2014-2015 program year. To renew online, [click here](#). If you do not know your membership number, please contact me and I will assist you. If you do not know your password, here is the link to password recovery: [click here](#). Now is also a good time to update your contact information to ensure that you receive chapter newsletters and notifications of conference updates, educational events, meeting information and job postings.

NEW MEMBERS UPDATE (WELCOME, WELCOME, WELCOME) – For the 2013-2014, we have had 8 new members join the New Orleans Chapter! We even had two of our newest members in attendance at the March CPE event. **THANK YOU NEW MEMBERS!**

CHAPTER RECOGNITION POINTS (HOORAY!) – More good news...With 12,265 total Chapter Recognition points for 2013-2014 thus far, we have earned the Bronze Chapter Designation! Shout out to your CEC members for this collaborative effort!

CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITIONS – With the ending of this fiscal year for our chapter, we will have some open positions on the CEC. Joining the CEC is a great opportunity to serve, as well as learn more about the organization and offer some new, fresh ideas. In an effort continue on the path to improvement, Osby Mosley and I have agreed to remain in our current positions at President-Elect and President. However, we do have some committee members that will be stepping down, but still supporting the chapter. The types of positions can be viewed on our website under the 'Officers' tab. We will send the available positions under a separate cover. Please contact me, Osby or any of the CEC members, if you are interested in any of the positions.

Here's your April update:

March 2014 Meeting – Ed Quatrevaux, Inspector General for the City of New Orleans, was our speaker for the March CPE event that was held at Five Happiness Restaurant on March 19, 2014. Mr. Quatrevaux shared many of the accomplishments, as well as obstacles experienced in the New Orleans Inspector General's office.

President's Message (con'td.)



"There is no limit to what can be accomplished when no one cares who gets the credit"

John Wooden



There have been many improvements in the City of New Orleans because of the dedicated work by his office. We will start seeing more positive changes in the City in the upcoming months. This CPE event was very informative and gave attendees an inside look at what's going on in the City. Again, if you missed this one and any of the prior events, you missed some great ones!

CPE Alert Chapter Members! Our chapter's next monthly dinner meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at Trey Yuen Restaurant, 2100 N Morrison Blvd, Hammond, LA 70401, from 5:30-7:30 pm in conjunction with our AGA Baton Rouge chapter. We are pleased to have as our speaker, Mary Peterman, AGA National President, who will speak from 6:00-7:00 pm. Again, at this meeting, as part of our community service outreach, we will be collecting stuffed animals, old magazines, old cellular telephones and canned goods. Please RSVP with [Gloria Samuels](#) or [myself](#) if you are planning to attend. I look forward to meeting each and every one of at the next meeting!

Upcoming Events – This month, Habitat for Humanity will be in New Orleans from April 15-17. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS. Please volunteer for this event. Also, in April we will host our annual Spring Full Day Seminar (7 CPEs) on April 29, 2014. This will be a full day of speakers and activities. Dr. Keren Deal (Gulf Coast RVP- Elect) and Dr. Billy Morehead (a Past National President) have been confirmed. Check the calendar of events on the website for more information!

Thank you for your continued support of this great organization and chapter.

Tracey Carney, CPA, CFE
Chapter President 2013-2014

Welcome New Members

Tonia M. Adams
Yavonka G. Archaga
Brydia M. Dukes
Marie V. Dupre
Brandon J. McNabb
Nancy D. Moore
Brandy K. Smith
Annette M. Totty

University of New Orleans
Resources for Independent Living, Inc.
University of New Orleans
St. Tammany parish Sheriff's Office

Audubon Nature Institute
Postlethwaite & Netterville
USDA, OCFO, COD



**New Orleans Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants
2014 Professional Development Training
“PATHS TO ACHIEVE MAXIMUM GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY”**



Date: Tuesday April 29, 2014

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; On-sight Check-In Begins at 7:30 a.m.

Location: The Privateer Room at the University of New Orleans Lakefront Arena
6801 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70122

Featured Speakers/Topics

Special Guest Speaker: Mary E. Peterman, CGFM, CPA - AGA 2013-2014 National President

Donna Sanford, Director, KPMG LLP, Jackson, MS - *“Tackling Improper Payments”*

Keren Deal, PhD, CPA, CGFM, Auburn University at Montgomery - *“Municipal Bankruptcy”*

Dinah M. Payne, JD, University of New Orleans - *“Ethics”*

Billy Morehead, PhD, CPA, CGFM, Mississippi College - *“Fraud, COSO Internal Controls & Risk Management for Governments”*

Anita M. Moyer, MSP, CAMS, Huntington Bank, headquartered in Columbus, OH – *“Anti-Money Laundering”*

Golden Richard, PhD – University of New Orleans - *“Information Assurance”*

Continuing Professional Education Credits – 7 Hours

The AGA New Orleans Chapter’s 2014 Professional Development Training provides 7 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE).

Registration:

Early Bird Registration & Fee Payment by April 11:

\$100 for AGA and Affiliate Members (AFWA, LCPA, ASMC, IIA, ACFE, NABA, FEB, GFOA,)

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=2ZZXNQDARVPKBU

\$150 for Non-Members

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=67U3EZW6EDL5G

Registration & Fee Payment after April 11: (Paypal links for regular registration will be added after 4/11)

\$125 for AGA and Affiliated Members

\$175 for Non-Members

The registration fee includes breakfast, lunch, breaks, parking and all conference materials. Dress is business casual.



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2014 Professional Development Training**

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April 29, 2014

REGISTRATION FORM

Send Completed Forms and Payment Information to: AGA-NO Spring 2014 PDT
c/o Amanda Green, 915 Aline Street, New Orleans, LA 70115 **OR** e-mail: algreen@uno.edu or
patrick_nedd@msn.com

Payment Methods: PayPal (see links below); credit cards may also be used at on-site check-in
Payable to AGA New Orleans Chapter – Check or Government Training Authorization
Refund Deadline: April 21; Registrant substitution permitted.

REGISTRANT INFORMATION:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home/Cell Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____

AGA Chapter Name (if applicable): _____ AGA Member ID # _____

Circle Affiliate Organization (if not AGA): AFWA LCPA IIA ACFE NABA FEB GFOA

AGENCY INFORMATION (NO ACRONYMS PLEASE):

Agency: _____

Training/Support Officer Name: _____

Address: _____

Work Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

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Have questions or need additional information? Contact Amanda Green (algreen@uno.edu or 504.231.3053)

LETTER FROM HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

8th Annual AGA National Community Service Project in New Orleans

Dear Louisiana Friends,

While we've had 15-30 out-of-state volunteers at each of past 8 National Community Service projects in New Orleans with Habitat for Humanity (we actually had 50 volunteers for the 1-day Habitat event the day after the last NOLA PDC), we only have 6 volunteers registered for this year. There are lots of good reasons why attendance is down this year. A lot of our "regulars" simply had conflicts. As you all know, I have always said that our coming was our GIFT to YOU.

This effort was never, ever meant to create any impression that local chapter members ought to join in as on-site volunteers. You all have done plenty helping your own family, friends, and City recover. And you have always extended your wonderful hospitality in providing coordination and logistical support with noon meals and other gifts and support for all the volunteers. I've also said that I never would want our coming to create any kind of burden on the local AGA members or chapters. Still, many NOLA and Baton Rouge AGA chapter members have joined us at the Habitat work sites over the years, and it's of course always great to see so many of you when we come!

While we would of course welcome the participation of local AGA members and their family and friends at the work site again this year April 15-17, I truly don't want anyone to feel any obligation whatsoever to do so. The work day usually goes from 8am to 3pm each day, although we won't know the exact time or location in NOLA where we will be working until around April 8. If anyone is interested in joining us for a few hours, or a day, or even 2 or 3 days, please just shoot me an email at jeffshart@comcast.net or give me a call at 303-907-4664.

Warm Regards,

Jeff

CALENDAR OF REMAINING EVENTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Event/Speaker</i>
Tuesday, April 29, 2014	8:00a.m. –4:00p.m	University of New Orleans Lakefront Arena – The Privateer Room	Spring Professional Development Training – 7 Hours of CPE
Wednesday, April 30, 2014	5:30 P.M.	Trey Yuen Restaurant 2100 North Morrison Blvd. Hammond, LA 70401	Joint Meeting with Baton Rouge Chapter Speaker : Mary Peterman, AGA National President 1 CPE
Friday, May 2, 2014	5:30 P.M.	Tentative: City Park New Orleans, LA	AGA/Chapter Members & Habitat Volunteers Crawfish Boil; Chapter Awards Ceremony
Thursday, May 15, 2014	11:30 A.M.	Tentative: Mike's on the Avenue 628 St. Charles Avenue New Orleans, LA 70130	Spring Seminar Speakers: TBD
Friday, June 06, 2014	5:30 P.M.	Tentative: New Orleans Zephyrs 6000 Airline Drive Metairie, LA	Baseball Game and Tailgate Party

HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE

On April 29th, the Chapter is proudly hosting the 2014 Professional Development Training and a **SILENT AUCTION to benefit the Chapter's Scholarship Fund**. Through the Chapter's Scholarship Fund we annually award a scholarship to one student at a metro New Orleans College or University. Please reach out to your professional and personal contacts for donations to the silent auction. If you choose to provide the contact information for a business to the Chapter's Committee leading this worthy cause, please contact Karen Whitaker (kwhitaker@becker.com) or Pam Lincoln (504-259-5229).

The donation requests are for gift certificates and/or gifts via a donation letter. In thanks for each donation, the business will be included in the marketing material and announcements at the training, provided an acknowledgement letter of their generous donation and provided documentation supporting AGA's 501(c) (3) non-profit status.

Thanks for taking action to support your chapter's Scholarship Fund!

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2014**

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

CASH	\$555.68
SAVINGS	\$1,744.84
DEPOSITS	0
PREPAID SEMINAR	0
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$170.00

TOTAL ASSETS **\$2,470.52**

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$1,001.93
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NET ASSTS

MEMBERSHIP	\$460.32
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY	-
HURRICAN RELIEF FUND	448.83
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	\$559.44

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS **\$2,470.52**

EIGHT MONTHS ENDED

OPERATING REVENUES

EDUCATION	\$550.00
MONTHLY MEETINGS	\$1,470.00
50/50 EDUCATION RAFFLE	\$34.00
MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$15.00
SCHOLARSHIP	\$161.00
INTEREST INCOME	\$3.05

TOTAL REVENUES **\$2,233.05**

OPERATING EXPENSES

EDUCATION	\$867.00
MEETINGS	\$1,333.23
PDC REIMBURSEMENT	\$400.00
50/50 EDUCATION RAFFLE	\$0.00
POSTAGE/SUPPLIES/GIFTS	\$0.00
OFFICER EXPENSES	\$0.00
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	\$7.68
SCHOLARSHIP	\$0.00
DONATIONS	\$0.00
MISC	\$0.00

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES **\$2,607.91**

OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(\$374.86)
NONOPERATING REV/(EXP)	-
INCOME (LOSS)	
BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS	(\$374.86)
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT	0
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$374.86)
NET ASSETS BEGINNING OF PERIOD	934.30
NET ASSETS AT END OF PERIOD	<u><u>\$559.44</u></u>

HAPTER RECOGNITION POINTS 2013 - 2014

Recognition Categories	Max Credits Per Category	Credits Through March 2014
Chapter Leadership, Planning and Participation	3,000	2,100
Education & Professional Development	4,000	2,000
Certification	4,000	750
Communications	3,000	3,465
Membership (Early Career and Student Members)	4,000	2,750
Accountability	2,000	0
Community Service	2,000	1,200
Awards	1,000	0
Total	22,000	12,265

A **Bronze Chapter Designation** will be presented to any chapter that attains between 12,000 and 14,500 credits for the year. The chapter president's plaque will include recognition that the chapter has achieved Bronze status.

A **Silver Chapter Designation** will be presented to any chapter that attains between 14,501 and 17,000 credits for the year. The chapter president's plaque will include recognition that the chapter has achieved Silver status.

A **Gold Chapter Designation** will be presented to any chapter that attains between 17,001 and 19,500 credits for the year. The chapter president's plaque will include recognition that the chapter has achieved Gold status.

The **Platinum Chapter Designation** will be presented to any chapter that attains between 19,501 and 22,000 credits for the year. The chapter president's plaque will include recognition that the chapter has achieved Platinum status.

The purpose of the Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum designations is to encourage chapters to participate in the CRP at the level they feel comfortable with and to develop a continuity of sound leadership and programs.

Certified Financial Government Manager HIGHLIGHTS Happy Anniversary!

This year marks 20 years of the CGFM Program and its success is highlighted in this month's *Journal of Government Financial Management* - "[CGFM Celebrates 20 Years!](#)" Being a CGFM means being a leader in your field. It demonstrates your knowledge, experience and commitment to excellence. We thank you for your continued support of the CGFM Program, and for being a distinguished advocate of government accountability.

March is CGFM Month!

To recognize our CGFMs and the CGFM Program each year, AGA declares the month of March as "[CGFM Month!](#)" Read the official AGA Proclamation and CGFM Month proclamations issued by states and local governments. Show everyone your CGFM pride by wearing CGFM apparel. If you don't yet have a CGFM shirt, order yours today on our Land's End '[CGFM Store](#)'

MAINTAINING DESIGNATION It's Time to Renew!

To maintain the CGFM designation in an active status, CGFMs must meet the [CPE requirements](#) and renew their certification annually. Invoices have been mailed to all active CGFMs and are due by March 31. By submitting the CGFM renewal payment, CGFMs affirm their agreement and compliance with AGA's Code of Ethics and CGFM CPE requirements. [Renew now](#)

AGA TRAINING EVENTS



Apr. 8:

Complimentary Members-Only Webinar: OMB Supercircular.



Apr. 9: Fraud

Detection and Prevention.



May 6-7:

Government Performance Summit.



Jul. 13-16:

Professional Development Training.