Chattanooga Chapter

AGA Newsletter

Welcome!

Our next meeting of the 2019-2020 term will be on Tuesday, **September 24th.**

We are excited to welcome the Ernest Almonte, CGFM, CPA, CFF, CFE. He is the current AGA National office President.

The meeting will be held at the McDaniel Building (455 N. Highland Park Avenue, 37404) starting at 11:30 A.M.

The cost of the luncheon is \$16.50 per person. Please RSVP to Chris Brown @ CBrown@chattanooga.gov by Friday, September 20th, 2019 to attend, if you do not receive a calendar invite please let Chris know!



Speaker's Background

Almonte is a partner at RSM, working in the Boston Not-For Profit/Public Sector Industry team. He is a firmdesignated government, not-for-profit, litigation support, and higher education specialist with more than 37 years' experience. He has managed the audits of numerous public sector and not-for profit organizations and has provided technical assistance on accounting and finan-

cial reporting issues to these organizations. Prior to joining RSM, Ernie spent 16 years as the Rhode Island Auditor General, responsible for the state's financial, performance and fraud audits. Ernie has provided training nationally on topics such as the Yellow Book, GASB and FASAB accounting standards, and fraud risks. He has served as audit committee chair in numerous organizations, including universities and the U.S. Department of Defense.



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Ryan Thomas- President, AGA Chattanooga Chapter

Upcoming Events:

September 24th—Monthly Luncheon

October 17th—Accounting Lecture series w\ TSCPA joint meeting

Lunch Menu:

Catering from Moss's Place: Smoked Chicken Salad Green beans Mac & Cheese Peach Cobbler

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National/Local News:

CGFM—Certification

The CGFM (Certified Government Financial Manager) certification is the Mark of Excellence in Federal, State and Local Government. Since its inception in 1994, the CGFM has become the standard by which government financial management professionals are measured. Its education, experience and ethics requirements have served to elevate the most seasoned financial professionals. More than 14,000 individuals have received the designation so far. Now it's your turn. Experience the benefits of certification first hand - the CGFM is the mark of excellence in your profession.

The Chapter has study materials to help prepare you for the examination! Please contact me if you are interested in working on your CGFM certification.

If you are interested in a study group for CGFM, please let us know!

Community Service:

Washington Alternative & Orchard Knobb

For the next few months our community service outreach will be the Washington Alternative and Orchard Knob Schools. We will be taking supplies and monetary donations for supplies for these schools

Below is a list of items of need:

- · Spiral Notebooks / Composition Books
- · 3-Ring Binder (No Trapper Keepers)
- · Loose-leaf Notebook Paper
- · #2 Wooden Pencils (No Mechanical Pencils)
- · Inexpensive Ear Buds
- · USB Flash Drives/Jump Drive



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Stay tuned for more information on our upcoming meetings!

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