

NEWSLETTER

From the Richmond Chapter of AGA — 2018-2019 Program Year

AGA Core Values:

- Accountability
- Integrity
- Leadership

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My friends and colleagues,

As this edition of the newsletter for the AGA Richmond Chapter goes to press, spring is on the horizon. It is one of my favorite seasons. I appreciate not only spring's lush and tender beauty, but also its feeling of renewal. As we enjoy the season of spring, this edition focuses on a few ways our organization is providing opportunities for our members to grow and improve their passions and profession, which they have chosen.

To date we have grown with several new members joining our ranks. Here are a few: Teresa, Lindsey, Paula and Bryan. Welcome to you guys and we look forward to networking with you at our next event.

I truly believe that AGA Richmond is fulfilling its vision of being one of the best forward thinking, progressive thinking organizations in the nation who is focused on providing quality training seminars and exceptional networking opportunities for its members. We continue to provide seminars and opportunities that are second to none. We are moving proactively and intentionally to grow the chapter and we are excited about the future.



As we grow, we are excited and look forward to hearing from you, our members, with new ideas to bring to the table. In addition, as we spring into the season, remember

"If we are growing we are always going to be outside our comfort zone." - John Maxwell

Regards,
Winston M. Lucombe
President

Guess What ? March is CGFM Month!!!!

The Governor for the Commonwealth of Virginia has declared March "CGFM Month" in the Commonwealth of Virginia! The National Office celebrated all month long with a \$25 application fee to take the CGFM! We see you AGAers rocking that red to celebrate! Thank you all for being great, great and even more great in working to make our profession as great as it could be!



The Scoop: AGAers Throughout Richmond, VA!

Below are some pictures from our February all day seminar at the Four Points Sheraton and our most recent luncheon in March! You all are EVERYWHERE!!!!!!



Upcoming Events

Come join us for great training opportunities, a chance to network with colleagues and motivate each other to stay committed to your new goals. The schedule is also on our website at:

www.agacgfm.org/chapters/richmond

- April 2019 Breakfast Seminar—Four Points by Sheraton Richmond Airport (3 CPEs)
- May 2019 Spring Seminar and Awards —DoubleTree By Hilton Hotel Richmond 7 CPEs)

The AGA 2019-2020 year is approaching fast! If you have any ideas or suggestions on any and everything to do with the AGA Richmond Chapter, please let one of the Board members know below or email us at our chapter email at agarichmondinfo@gmail.com.

REMIND YOUR MEMBERS (from National)

RENEW!!! Renew your 2019-2020 AGA membership and/or CGFM Certification today! The deadline to renew is this Sunday March 31, 2019!!!

AGA is very, very valuable! We try to bring you all great CPEs and great information from National!

AGA National Events

- Ethics—Lessons From an \$8.5 Million Fraud—April 10, 2019—2:00PM—3:50PM ET—2 CPEs—Field of Study: BETH
- 2019 ERM Workshop—Driving Organizational Value (Enhancing Performance) - Washington, D.C.—April 11, 2019—Almost all day—(7:30am—2:00pm) - 5 CPEs
- DATA Act—April 24, 2019—2:00PM—3:50PM—2 CPEs—Field of Study: AUDG
- (A little far out but it's FREE!!! - if you're in a CPE bind) and you need to plan ahead) Professional Development—Nuggets For Success—June 27, 2019—1:00PM—2:00PM—1 CPE—Field of Study: PD

We Are On Social Media Too!

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/agarichmond>
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/agarichmond>
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/aga_Richmond
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/agarichmond>



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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

If you have any career opportunities from your agency that you would like for us to promote here in the Newsletter or on our AGA Richmond website, please reach out to a member of the AGA Richmond Chapter Board or email agarichmondinfo@gmail.com.

News for Candidates



March, March, March was CGFM Month!!!

Did you know?!? The CGFM exams are updating! Pursuant to the national website for AGA, from September 1—October 31, 2019, CGFM examinations will be in the initial (beta) period. Scores will not be immediately reported but will be ready by December 31, 2019. CGFM examinations taken during this beta period will be offered at a discounted rate of \$100 per exam.



New (or Returning) Chapter Member

Please welcome these members:

Teresa Conrad

Paula Phillips

Bryan Duffee

Lindsey Thornton



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The AGA Richmond Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) is looking for your assistance. We have two opportunities to make a difference in the chapter:

Nominate a fellow member for an award in these categories:

Chapter Service Award

Eligible nominees are CEC members who have done an outstanding job throughout the year, beyond position/committee requirements and expectations. Award recipients have consistently provided support for chapter events and activities.

Chapter Excellence Award

Eligible nominees are AGA members who have done an outstanding job and/or represented the chapter in a recognizable fashion. Recipients of the award have shown a high level of involvement in chapter events and activities.

National Volunteer of the Year Award

The Volunteer of the Year Award is a national honor presented annually to one member from each chapter, recognizing significant service to a chapter. The recipients of the award embody the spirit of volunteerism. Eligible nominees will have made distinguished contributions to the development and enhancement of an AGA chapter.

Visit <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Richmond/Our-Chapter/Chapter-Award-Nominations> by **April 12, 2019 to submit a nomination. If you have any problems with the form, please send an email to agarichmondinfo@gmail.com.**

Chapter Executive Committee Nominations

The AGA Richmond Chapter's program year begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th. At the beginning of the year, the chapter nominates its leadership for the upcoming program year. Participation in AGA activities offers you a great opportunity to enhance your organizational, communication, and leadership skills. CEC positions offer an opportunity to participate in the chapter at a high level. However, if you do not feel that you are ready for that high level of commitment, committee positions offer members an opportunity to become involved in a more limited capacity. Please see the Chapter Policies and Procedures Manual available on our website, www.agacgfm.org/chapters/richmond, for more information about each position and committee.

Nominate yourself or a fellow member to serve in one of many positions on the AGA Richmond CEC:

- President-Elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Treasurer Assistant
- Young Professionals Chair/Vice Chair
- Sponsorships Chair/Vice Chair
- Programs & Education Chair/Vice Chair
- Communications Chair/Vice Chair
- Awards Chair/Vice Chair
- Membership Chair/Vice Chair
- CGFM Chair/Vice Chair
- Accountability Chair/Vice Chair

Contact the Nominating Committee (Danielle Roache, Winston Lucombe, and Randy Sherrod) if you would like to submit a nomination by **April 12, 2019** at agarichmondinfo@gmail.com.

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AGA Richmond Milestone Membership Anniversaries

AGA Richmond Chapter would like to recognize our members who celebrated a milestone membership anniversary during the 1st Quarter 2019!

Please note this list is current as of March 28, 2019, and only reflects members who are celebrated milestone anniversaries. Lapsed memberships are not shown.

Please direct any inquiries regarding membership dates to agarichmondinfo@gmail.com.

20 YEARS

Ms. Sandra Adams, CPA

Mrs. Gwendolyn F. Carney, CGFM, CPA

Mrs. Barbara A. Edwards-Mack, CGFM-Retired

Ms. Cathy S. Matthews, CGFM, CPA

Mr. David A. Von Moll, CGFM

Dr. Joy Yeh, CPA

15 YEARS

Ms. Norma J. Roberts, CPA

10 YEARS

Mr. Craig A. Anderson

Mrs. Crystal T. Hendrick, CPA

Mr. Douglas Keith Nickerson, CGFM, CIA, CFE

Mr. George Donhavon Strudgeon, MBA, CGFM, CPA, CGMA

5 YEARS

Mr. Thomas A. Bland Jr.

Mrs. Kathy R. Brown, CGFM, CPA, CIA

Ms. Terry L. Caserta, CPA

Mr. Darien Dabney

Ms. Angela L. O'Mary, VCO

Mrs. Karen C. Roth

Ms. Sharon E. Slaughter, CGFM

1 YEAR

Mrs. Danielle E. Bazemore

Mr. Clifton James Coffman, II

Mr. David Cooper

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Mrs. Ann D. Fortune

Mr. Robert W. Gray

Mrs. Starshema S. Harris

Mr. Louis G. Lassiter, CGFM

Mrs. Mulu Nigat

Mr. Kristen G. Rigby

Mrs. Denise L. Sandlin

Mr. Joseph P. Schiavone

Mr. James A. Smith, II

Mrs. Lauren W. Sumner

Mr. Patrick T. Walsh

Mr. Joseph Walton

CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (CEC)

Winston Lucombe	President/Community Service Vice Chair
Danielle Roache	President-Elect/Assistant Treasurer/Communications Chair
Thomas Bland	Past President 2017-2018/Communications Vice Chair/Young Professionals Chair
Corrine Loudon	Secretary/Past President 2015-2016/Past Regional VP Section IV South Atlantic
Ken Gunn	Treasurer/Past President 2000-2001
Deborah Jones	Young Professionals Vice Chair/Community Services Vice Chair
Vince Pate	Sponsorships Chair
Deborah Webb	Sponsorships Vice Chair
Randy Sherrod	Programs and Education Chair/Sponsorships Committee/National Council of Chapters Representative/Past President 2013-2014
Lisa Spurgeon	Program and Education Vice Chair
Mike Rogers	Sponsorships Committee
Jennifer Mayton	CGFM Chair
Chris Gordon	CGFM Vice Chair
Betty Atkins	Community Service Chair/Programs and Education Committee
Betty Akins	Awards Chair/Past President 1994-1995
Saa'dia Walker	Accountability Chair/Awards Vice Chair/Regional Vice President Section IV South Atlantic/Past President 2014-2015
John Moore	Accountability Vice Chair
Danita Barnes	Membership Chair
Jian Martin	Membership Vice Chair
Delphine Johnson	Communications Committee
Star Harris	Communications Committee

Reminders from National!!!!

Deadline Extension: Young Professionals PDT Scholarship

Recipients will receive complimentary registration and lodging at PDT 2019. Participants will act as ambassadors for attendees and assist at the AGA Solutions Hall booth and in other activities throughout the training event. This scholarship is open to first-time PDT attendees. Application deadline is April 12. [learn more](#)



PDT 2019 Chapter Hotel Scholarships

Each AGA chapter receives two hotel scholarships for PDT 2019 to use for their chapter members. The deadline to submit a request is June 7. Don't delay!

CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (CEC)—MINUTES FROM MARCH 8, 2019

We had a very expressive and productive CEC meeting as most are. Thank you to all members who attended. A quorum was present with additional committee members in attendance which presented excellent dialogue.

Danita Barnes was recognized for being a Top Recruiter in the nation for AGA and Corrine Louden received the Excellence in Government Leadership! Discussion took place on enhancing meetings for members.

Community Service ideas were discussed for the upcoming year and the chapter sent gift cards to three federal employee members who are a part of the AGA Richmond Chapter.

Program and Education Committee welcomes new members and the speaker for March is from the apprenticeship program. The March lunch session will be at the Patrick Henry Building. Randy Sherrod is the new NCC representative for the chapter. He will be representing the chapter at AGA's National PDT in New Orleans, LA.

Two new members from VSU and VRS joined the chapter. Positive feedback was received from the February all-day seminar. At the time and date of this CEC meeting, 53 people registered for the March luncheon and 19 for the April Seminar.

MemberClicks contract has been signed (no more Cvent). The Chapter is responsible for legacy data (your information and records will still be safe with the chapter). February newsletter did not go out but we will be sure to include information in March's newsletter.

John Moore, Accountability Committee, worked on Expenditure Approval Process document and no significant suggested corrections were returned.

The treasurer, Ken Gunn, stated we are having a good year financially and the sponsorship from DHG is a great help and a great addition.

Danielle Roache stated we have 30,838 points and currently in first place in the nation! AGA Richmond you all are "smashing them" nationwide!!!!

Be on the lookout for some Young Professionals and Membership Events with the weather getting warmer and we're constantly working on getting more with sponsorship!

Pursuant to AGA National:

NATIONAL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS:

Are you or a family member pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in disciplines such as accounting, economics, finance, information systems/technology or public administration? If so, consider applying for an AGA academic scholarship! Applications for the 2019 scholarships are now available.

Please check out the the "Awards and Recognition" area under Connect within Membership for more info on the National website.

