

Newsletter—

January 2019

President's Message



Happy new year to our AGA Dallas members. Thank all of you who contacted me with your votes to approve the Chapter's 2018 bylaws. The bylaws are not changed often, and we needed at least 20 percent of our members to vote to adopt them. The bylaws were filed with the AGA National Office.

Members of the Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) will begin leadership training in Kansas City, MO in April as part of

the National Office's annual training event. I and our CEC hope to bring you some exciting news and ideas to help grow the chapter and make your AGA membership be more valuable to you. If any of you would like to share your thoughts on ways to increase and retain members, and know of anyone who would like to speak at our May Professional Development Training day event, please message me at brandireneeprice@gmail.com.

Professional Development Training Day, May 2019

The CEC will hold its annual full day Professional Development Training event in May. We're still selecting the dates, and the CEC is looking for any speakers who can speak about changes in accounting and auditing methods, writing fundamentals, ethics, fraud, and any other topics that you can earn Continuing Professional Education points to meet your training needs. When the CEC finalizes the date and secures speakers for the event, we will post the information on our Web site: https://www.agacgfm.org/Dallas.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to serve on the CEC, please contact me at <u>brandireneeprice@gmail.com</u>.

Sincerely, Brandi Price AGA Dallas Chapter President

AGA National Updates

Membership Drive: Help AGA Grow!



Recruit new members for a chance to win AGA swag, a \$50 gift card, or a free registration to the conference of your choice (Professional Development Training, Internal Control and Fraud Prevention Training, or National Leadership Training). For more information about the membership drive, please visit: https://www.agacgfm.org/membershipdrive.

Upcoming Events

AGA National Webinars

GASB Update (2 CPEs) February 6, 2019 | 2-3:50pm ET

Updates to the New Tax Reform (2 CPEs) March 6 | 2-3:50pm ET

AGA Women's Leadership Series? (1 CPE) March 14, 2019 | 1:00-2:00 pm ET *Free to AGA Members*

Protecting and Utilizing Government Data (2 CPEs)

March 27, 2019 | 2-3:50 PM ET

Register online for AGA National Webinars at: https://www.agacgfm.org/webinars.

Financial Systems Summit (6 CPEs)

Date: March 28, 2019**

Location: Washington DC or virtual

Register online at:

https://www.agacafm.org/FSS

Free to Government Employees who are also AGA Members.

Due to the ongoing government shutdown, the summit has been postponed to March 28, 2019.



National Leadership Training (14 CPEs)

Date: February 27-28, 2019 Location: Washington DC or virtual Register online at:

https://www.agacafm.org/NLT/



Free CPEs for AGA Members

During the partial federal government shutdown, AGA is proud to offer members a FREE Journal CPE Online Quiz. Members who take advantage can earn up to three CPEs by completing the quiz. Take the quiz at https://www.agacgfm.org/Training-and-Events/Learn-Online/Journal-CPE-Quizzes.aspx

Spring 2019 Government Finance Case Challenge

Every fall and spring, AGA invites students to compete in the Government Finance Case Challenge for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship. During the Challenge, students form teams to analyze data and develop a Citizen-Centric Report for a specified U.S. state, city or county government. Registration deadline for the spring Challenge is noon ET on Feb. 15. Learn more at https://www.agacgfm.org/Standards-Guidance/CCR/Government-Case-Challenge.aspx.

Recap of Past Events

AGA Dallas Hosts Fall Professional Development Training

AGA Dallas hosted its Fall Professional Development Training this past October. Topics included robotic process automation and its applicability to government, project management and auditing, local government's role in auditing homelessness, updates to the Government Accountability Office Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book) and updates from the Government Accounting Standards Board.







Speaker gifts of \$25 were donated to the Wounded Warrior Project on behalf of the speakers. The Wounded Warrior Project has served U.S. veterans and service members for 15 years who incurred a physical or mental injury, illness, or wound while serving in the military on or after September. 11, 2001. To learn more about the Wounded Warrior Project, please visit www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

Member Spotlight

Welcome to our newest member!

- Mr. Gary L. Gist, CPA
- Ms. Miykael L. Reeve

The 2018-2019 program year is already underway! Join or renew today at https://www.agacqfm.org/join.

Chapter Executive Committee

Brandi R. Price

Chapter President

Melinda J. DeCorte, CGFM, CPA Immediate Past President

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Are you interested in serving in the AGA Dallas Chapter Executive Committee? Please email AGA Dallas President Brandi Price at brandireneeprice@gmail.com.

For more Chapter news, visit us at https://www.agacgfm.org/Dallas and connect with us on LinkedIn at https://www.linkedin.com/groups/5120700.

Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes - Dallas Chapter AGA

Friday, January 11, 2019, noon

- 1. Attendees: Lee Chiang, Shino Knowles, Brandi Price, Eric Mutai, Carla Flores, Dee Maung, Laura Velez and Melinda DeCorte
- 2. The primary topic for this call is to determine who we will appoint as the Dallas chapter representative to the 2019-2020 National Council of Chapters.

Melinda and Dee indicated they could potentially fill this role if none others are interested. Brandi is going to reach out to former chapter presidents to see if any have interest. If not, Brandi, Melinda and Dee will meet to determine the best fit for the role.

- 3. Brandi Price informed the group that chapter bylaws have been submitted.
- 4. Chapter DUNS number is being updated and Brandi has the lead on this effort.
- 5. Board is looking for attendee for training in Kansas City April 25th through 27th.