



President's Message

Hello Members and Friends,

Hope everyone had a great summer as we enter the Fall season! We want to thank everyone who attended our Happy Hour at Uno Pizzeria & Grill on September 9th. It was our first Happy Hour in 3 years and it was great to see everyone reminiscing and catching up on old times. We hope to have another later in the Chapter Year!

Registration is now open for our Fall Professional Development Training. It will be held virtually on Thursday, October 27th from 8 am - 4 pm (7 CPE's). I can't thank the Fall PDT Committee enough for their hard work and effort to help develop this conference. Topics include inflation and unemployment, IT security, data analytics, the legalization of cannabis and its effect on New Jersey's economy, and much more. You can register [here](#).

I am excited to announce that we will be participating in HomeFront's Halloween 5k & 1 Mile Run/Walk on October 30th. The run/walk will be taking place at 502 Carnegie Center in Princeton, NJ.

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HomeFront's mission is to end homelessness in Central New Jersey by harnessing the caring, resources and expertise of the community. Please help us raise money for this great cause. You can register [here](#). We have created a team called "AGA Trenton Chapter". Make sure you select "Yes" to the question "Would you like to join or create a Group/Team?" and the password to join our team is "Accountants".

There will be a virtual 2 hour Internal Control Webinar on October 19, 2022. This webinar will be FREE for members and \$10 for non-members. Space is limited and it will be first come, first serve. You can register [here](#).

As I mentioned before, any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out.

Take care,
Robert Rizzo
Trenton Chapter President

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JOIN US OR RENEW!



VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR INFO ON OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

Newsletter Notices

Give back to the profession
Apply to be a mentor today!



MENTORING program

The program is open to AGA members only. We all have a responsibility to leave this world better than we found it and to have a positive impact on the next generation of government leaders. Mentoring is important, not only because of the knowledge and skills young professionals can learn from mentors, but also because mentoring provides professional socialization and personal support.

ARTICLE

AGA Trenton Chapter is currently soliciting and accepting thoughtful articles on a wide range of government financial topics and may also publish articles relating to Tax, Practice Management, Financial Reporting, Audit, and Accounting. Chosen articles will be featured in the next newsletter and may qualify for CPE credits. For additional information, please contact: agatrenton@gmail.com

TOP TIPS

Email AGA or contact a board member with any personal news you would like to share to the membership in future newsletters.



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Upcoming Events



TECHNOLOGY & TRANSFORMATION SUMMIT

REGISTER NOW!



TTS	
December 8 Washington, DC 8 CPES	
Registration and Fees	
	Online
In Person	
Government Member	Free!
Government Non-member	\$135
Virtual	
Government Member	Free!
Private Member	Free!
Government Non-member	\$135
Private Non-member	\$259

2022 Technology & Transformation Summit
Digital transformation is now, more than ever, a major focus for federal, state and local governments in performing their missions more efficiently and effectively. More than 1,600 government leaders and industry experts will come together December 8, 2022 in Washington DC to discuss transformation of mission delivery through IT innovation, personnel, security and cloud technology.

AGA NATIONAL EVENTS

- October 5 Wednesday**
 Free CPAG Wake-Up Wednesday Coffee Talk Webinar | 0 CPE
- October 5 Wednesday**
 CGFM Live, Virtual Course 1: Governmental Environment Zoom | 8 CPE
- October 7 Friday**
 CGFM Live, Virtual Course 2: Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting Zoom | 21 CPE

TRENTON CHAPTER EVENTS



Internal Control Assessing and Monitoring Controls
October 19, 2022
Contact: AGA Trenton Chapter
Email: agatrentoninfo@agatrenton.com

2022 Virtual Fall PDT
October 27, 2022
Contact: AGA Trenton Chapter
Email: agatrentoninfo@agatrenton.com



HOMEFONT HALLOWEEN 5K & 1 MILE WALK
Join our team - "AGA Trenton Chapter", and the password is "Accountants".



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2022 VIRTUAL FALL PDT DAY AT A GLANCE

AGA Trenton Chapter 2022 Virtual Fall Professional Development Training Thursday, October 27, 2022

Opening Remarks	8:00am to 8:10am	Robert Rizzo, AGA Trenton Chapter President
Session 1	8:10am to 9:00am	Lisa Boily, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Topic: "Spotlight on Inflation and Unemployment"
Break	9:00am to 9:10am	
Session 2	9:10am to 10:00am	Anthony Mongeluzo, PCS, LLC. Topic: IT Security
Break	10:00am to 10:10am	
Session 3	10:10am to 11:00am	Jerry Maginnis, Rowan University Topic: "Developing and Enhancing Your Technical Skills"
Break	11:00am to 11:10am	
Session 4	11:10am to 12:00pm	Dr. Robert K. Minniti, Minniti CPA LLC Topic: Data Analytics and Auditing
Lunch	12:00pm to 1:00pm	
Session 5	1:00pm to 1:50pm	Valerie Mecca, VP Enterprise Group LLC Topic: "Time"
Break	1:50pm to 2:00pm	
Session 6	2:00pm to 2:50pm	Commissioner Maria Del Cid-Kosso, Cannabis Regulatory Commission Topic: Legalization of Cannabis and its effect on New Jersey's economy
Break	2:50pm to 3:00pm	
Session 7	3:00pm to 3:50pm	Dave Oswald, Forensic Restitution Topic: Forensic Accounting/Fraud
Closing Remarks	3:50pm to 4:00pm	

Please note the schedule and speakers are subject to change.

Credits for Continuing Education: 7 credits in the subject area of
"Auditing/Accounting/ Information Technology/Economics/Personal Development"

****CPE's are only available to participants from NJ and PA****

CPE certificates will be available via email. In the event of your early departure, the certificate will be adjusted accordingly.
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MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT

KICKOFF THE CHAPTER YEAR HAPPY HOUR!



All smiles and lots of catching up at the Kickoff The Chapter Year Happy Hour!



Congratulations!



AGA Trenton Chapter congratulates Morgan Cole on her engagement! Wishing you the warmest regards as you move into this next chapter of your lives.



AGA Trenton Chapter congratulates Kevin Holt and his family on the arrival of their new baby with wishes of health and happiness.

CGFM CORNER

SEPTEMBER 2022 | PROGRAM YEAR 2022-2023



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Certified Government Financial Manager

WHAT IS CGFM?

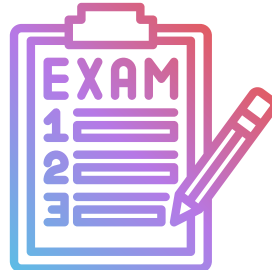
Certified Government Financial Manager® (CGFM®) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, demonstrating competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels.

CGFM is a respected credential that recognizes the specialized knowledge and experience needed to be an effective government financial manager.

Being a CGFM allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field.

WHAT IS THE CGFM CERTIFICATION PROCESS?

- Step 1 — Read AGA's Code of Ethics
- Step 2 — Apply for the CGFM Program
- Step 3 — Submit Required Degree Documentation
- Step 4 — Receive an Eligibility Letter
- Step 5 — Prepare for the CGFM Examinations
- Step 6 — Schedule the CGFM Examinations
- Step 7 — Take the CGFM Examinations
- Step 8 — Submit a Work Verification Form
- Step 9 — Receive CGFM Award Letter
- Step 10 — Receive Your CGFM Certificate and Maintain Your Certification



HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR THE EXAMS?

- Take AGA's Live, Virtual Courses
- AGA's CGFM Online Training Portal
- **In-person:** Individuals looking for scheduled classroom training can register for CGFM course 1, course 2 and course 3 held through Management Concepts.

SAMPLE AGA CGFM EXAM QUESTION

AGA CGFM Examinations Sample Questions

Governmental Environment Examination

1. According to the AGA Code of Ethics, a vendor using an agency contract monitor as a personal reference on a resume, would constitute
 - (A) fraud.
 - (B) professional incompetence.
 - (C) a conflict of interest.
 - (D) nepotism.

CGFM LIVE, VIRTUAL COURSES SCHEDULE

Course Schedule and Registration

- **Course 1** ("Governmental Environment")
 - October 5-6, 2022, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. ET each day
 - \$325 per person
 - [Register](#)
 - Deadline to register or cancel - September 28, 2022
- **Course 2** ("Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting")
 - November 7-10, 2022, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ET each day
 - \$725 per person
 - [Register](#)
 - Deadline to register or cancel - October 31, 2022
- **Course 3** ("Governmental Financial Management and Control")
 - January 11-13, 2023, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ET each day
 - \$525 per person
 - [Register](#)
 - Deadline to register or cancel - January 4, 2023

[CLICK HERE FOR ADDITIONAL CGFM REFERENCES](#)

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AGA TRENTON CHAPTER'S AUGUST 2022
BALANCE SHEET

AGA TRENTON CHAPTER
August 2022

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Cash - Savings	\$ 24,191.98	Accounts Payable	\$ -
Cash - Checking	\$ 7,803.95	Deferred Income	\$ -
Accounts Receivable	\$ -	Fund Balance	\$ 34,497.68
Prepaid Expenses	\$ 2,501.75		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 34,497.68	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 34,497.68

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