



### Upcoming Events

Professional Development Training (PDT)
Date: April 20, 2017
Location: TBD
Time: 7:30—4:30
Cost: TBD

For more information, visit us at <a href="https://www.agacgfm.org/">https://www.agacgfm.org/</a>
Chapters/Dallas/
Home.aspx).

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# President's Message

Members of the Accountability Community:

Happy Holidays. My name is Melinda DeCorte and I am your new Chapter President for the 2016 — 2017 program year. I'd like to extend my sincere appreciation to Ron Salo for his commitment and efforts as President during the 2015 — 2016 program year and for his continued service as President into the first several months of the current program year. Ron — the Dallas Chapter appreciates your loyalty and dedication to us and to the accountability community!

The Chapter is also benefitting from the addition of new Board members. Please visit us at our new website <a href="https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Dallas/">https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Dallas/</a> Home.aspx). to see our current Board members. Please also note our Board vacancies. Serving as a Board member is a great opportunity for current and new members to get involved and keep the Chapter active. I encourage you to consider serving on the Board. Without your active involvement, the Chapter's annual PDT, the quarterly luncheons, and social events may not occur.

On November 14, the Chapter celebrated its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with AGA. I look forward to what the 2016 – 2017 program year will bring and to our continued growth in the metroplex. In the coming months, I will conduct outreach with other accountability professional organizations in the metroplex to identify ways that our organizations can coordinate on training and social events. By leveraging our collective memberships I believe we can increase Chapter participation and activity, resulting in further benefit to our members. Let me know if there is a professional association you would like us to partner with.

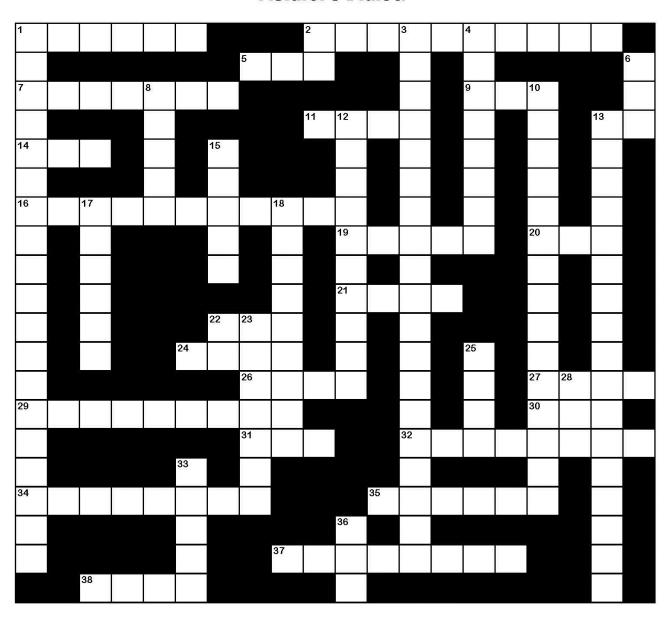
I wish everyone a joyful holiday season and happy new year. Stay tuned for upcoming notices of training and social events. We hope to see you there.

Melinda DeCorte

AGA Dallas Chapter President

# Auditor's Dialect

### **Auidtor's Dialect**



Note: The Green Book glossary is a good place to start.

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#### Across

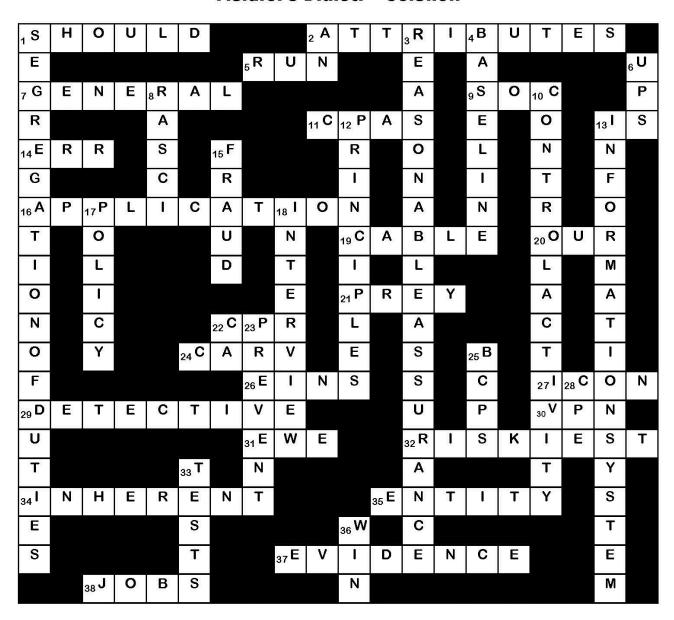
- One of two words used to denote a requirement that management must comply with, except in rare circumstances
- Additional information to support the principles and documentation requirements
- 5. A way to improve your health or a popular idiomatic expression to execute a program
- Controls that typically include security management, logical and physical access, configuration management
- 9. Used to referred to as SAS70 Type 1 and Type II
- 11. One of the three letter designations for auditors with financial statement expertise
- Abbreviation for the people, processes, data, and technology management organizes to obtain, communicate, or dispose of information
- 14. To \_\_\_\_ is human, to forgive is divine
- 16. Controls embedded into the software to provide assurance over validity, completeness, accuracy and confidentiality
- 19. Time Warner, ATT, or a cord to connect to the LAN
- 20. The pronoun to use frequently when discussing findings with the client
- 21. Deer is to a lion; auditor is to management
- 22. If you are on the receiving end of this, rethink the job-cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- 24. The four control objectives for business process controls
- 26. SSNs, PINS are types of these kind of numbers
- 27. A small picture on a computer screen that represents a program or function
- 29. A control activity designed to discover operation that may not have occurred as intended
- Protected link utilizing tunneling, security controls, and end point address, giving the impression of a dedicated line.
- 31. A filler word-mother lamb.
- 32. The possibility that an event will occur and can *most* severely, adversely affect the entity
- 34. Risk to an entity prior to considering management's response
- 35. Controls that have a pervasive effect such as control environment, management override
- Body of collected audit work papers support findings and are relevant, valid and reliable
- Sets of data that completely defines a unit of work for a computer.

#### Down

- The separation of authority, custody, and accounting for an activity
- 2. An article of the English language
- 3. A high degree of confidence, but no absolute confidence
- 4. Difference between the criteria & condition at a specific point in time
- A continual supply of electricity for data centers to avoid service interruption
- 8. Project management matrix used to assign responsibilities
- A P&Ps, technique & mechanism to enforce mgmt. directive
- 12. Concepts that are integral to the five components of the framework
- People, process, data and technology management organizes to obtain, communicate, or dispose of information
- 15. Involves obtaining something of value through willful misrepresentation
- 17. Statement of responsibility for an entity
- 18. Informative meeting held with client personnel to gain an understanding
- 22. Abbreviation for control assessment
- Control activity designed to keep from failing to achieve an objective
- 25. Long-term strategic plans that focus on the continued business operations, typically after an unexpected event
- 28. Continuous or ongoing training that is needed to keep abreast of latest auditing standards
- The process in which the auditor validate the controls identified for fieldwork
- 36. A good practice to apply during conflict resolution: Think \_\_\_\_\_- Win

## **ANSWERS**

### **Auidtor's Dialect - Solution**



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### MEMBER NEWS



# **Membership Anniversaries**

#### **November and December Anniversaries**

Michael Guier, Marian Wendel, Todd Christians, Teena Neptune, John Eagles, Betty Leonard, Kimberly Seay, Danny Jones, Jennifer Miller, Terry Kile, C. Joel Welch, George Scott, Terry Patton, Rita Dear, Kenneth Venuto, Melinda De-Corte, Holly Hart, Alan Fowler, Robert Morris, Michelle Mang,

# Board Members Still Needed!

Please consider volunteering to serve our chapter! We still need:

- Newsletter Editor
- Community Outreach Director
- Early Careers Director
- Certified Government Financial Manager Director
- Program Director
- Education Director
- Accountability Outreach Coordinator

It is a great opportunity to use your leadership skills. If you don't think you can do everything a position requires recruit a cochair! Contact us for more information.



### We have a President Elect!!!

I'd like to introduce you to our new President Elect. Her name is Brandi Price and she is an auditor with the Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Inspector General, Emergency Management Oversight, in Frisco. She recently joined the Dallas Chapter and is very interested in being an active member.

Brandi served on several volunteer committees in McKinney, and was on a City of McKinney Board for two years. She is motivated, enthusiastic and has some excellent ideas on ways to promote the Dallas Chapter and our events. She was unanimously voted in by the Chapter's Board of Directors and I think she will serve our chapter and the membership well. I hope you will welcome Brandi as enthusiastically as the Board has. I hope to give a more detailed profile and photo of Brandi in our next newsletter.

**Thanks** 

Melinda, Chapter President

## **CHAPTER SOCIALS**

#### Hello AGA Members:

My daughter met a grandmother through her Foster Class. The grandmother just adopted her 4 grand-children this past Saturday on "Adoption Day". My office is sponsoring clothes, food, and toys for the Holiday Drive for this family. Can you, our AGA Chapter members, provide donations to the family through our Dallas Chapter? Below are the children sizes.

The children are 3 girls and 1 boy from ages 2 to 10 year old. We would like to have the donations by January 15, 2017.

#### **The Children Information:**

Constance a	shirts 9	pants 9 tall/	dresses 9	shoes 1 1/2	
girl:		long			
Harmony a	-shirts 8	-pants 8	-dresses 8	-shoe 12	
girl:				1/2T	-
Royalty a	shirts 4T	-pants 4T	-dresses 4T	-shoes 7 1/2	_
Majesty a	-shirts 3T	pants 3T		shoes 6 1/2	-
boy:				wide	_

Thanks,

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