



# February 2018 Newsletter

## President's Message

Hello AGA members and non-members!

We are in the planning phase of the PDT conference which is scheduled for April 5-6, 2018 at Buffalo Thunder...please save the date. There is a phenomenal line-up of speakers and great opportunities for networking. Join us at your Professional Development Conference and enjoy the comradery.



The Chapter held a luncheon on January 17, 2018 at the Ranch House. Emily Oster was the speaker and presented regarding audits and compliance. She is heading to a new position as CFO at the Public Defender's office... many thanks to Emily for speaking at the luncheon. Contact our Vice President Janet Pacheco-Morton with ideas for speakers for our luncheons.

The Legislative session ended February 15, 2018 and many of our schedules have settled down. I am sure we all are looking forward to processing the new appropriations for fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

President Elect Janet Pacheco-Morton is seeking new members for the 2018 and 2019 board, please contact at [jpmorton@Morton-Firm.com](mailto:jpmorton@Morton-Firm.com) if you have an interest in serving on the board.

The Chapter purchased Audio Conferences for the year and send out emails on the subject and location. The schedule is included in this newsletter, posted on our website NM Chapter <http://agasantafe.org/> and announced in various e-mails to our members. Feel free to contact our Education Chair Bryan Maestas with audio conference questions.

We look forward to your continued participation and input to make it a wonderful and successful year!!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wanda M. Gonzales". The signature is fluid and cursive.

**Wanda M Gonzales**  
**President**

# Save the Date!!

*Join us at the 2018 PDT...*



## 2018 Professional Development Training

Seeing Through the Transparency in Government  
April 5-6, 2018  
Hilton Buffalo Thunder in Santa Fe

2018 Professional Development Training for Federal, State and Local government entities, as well as CPAs and other governmental accountants and auditors.

2 day PDT - Thursday, April 5 & Friday, April 6, 2018

Member rate: \$250

on-member rate: \$300

1 day PDT - you choose the day (8 hours CPE / day)

Member rate: \$150

Non-member rate: \$175

Register at:

[agaabq.org](http://agaabq.org) and click 2018 PDT

SHARE ID: 45337

Location:

Hilton Buffalo Thunder in Santa Fe

20 Buffalo Thunder Trail

Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87506

Room Rate: \$89/night with code AGANM

# See through the Transparency...

## Tentative Topics & Speakers

### Thursday April 5, 2018

Keynote - Success is a Choice	Bobby Derrick - AGA
To Be Ethical or Not to Be - That is the Question	Bobby Derrick - AGA
Government Accounting Topic	Matt Bone - CliftonLarsonAllen
Online Payment Options for Government	Charmaine Cook - State Treasurer's Office
Enterprise Risk Management	Heather Prudhomme - Sandia National Labs
Lunch - Fraud and Prevention	Ben Baker - Attorney General Office
Revenue Forecasting	Department of Finance & Administration
CAFR Financial Statement Issues	Ron Spillman - DFA
Are you Prepared for the Upcoming GASB?	Danny Martinez - CRI
US Financial Report	Scott Bell - United States Treasury
GAO and COSO	Los Alamos National Labs
Goal Setting in Government	Audrey Jaramillo - JAG
Best Practices for Governance & Management	Marty Mathisen - Atkinson
Today's FBI	Javier Almodovar - FBI

### Friday April 6, 2018

Key Note - Future of Accounting in the Digital Age	Bernadette Vadurro - Speaker Live, Inc.
Tax Cuts and Job Act	Lealan Miller - Eide Bailly
Single Audit - Uniform Grant Guidance	Farley Vener - Hinkle and Landers
Quality New Mexico	QNM
Tax Reform	William Sharer - State Senator
Lunch Speaker	Wayne Johnson - OSA
Attributes of High Performance Organizations	Mark Staranka - Moss Adams
Consumer Welfare	Dr. Brian Gillespie - UNM Anderson School of Mgmt.
Government Accounting Topic	REDW
Reviewing Your Financial Statements 101	Bobby Cordova/Robert Gonzales - Cordova CPAs
Government Accounting Topic	Laura Beltran Schmitz - CliftonLarsonAllen
Government Accounting Topic	Ron Spillman/Cassandra Hayne - DFA/SHARE



**Please join us**

**Association of Government Accountants  
New Mexico Chapter  
February Luncheon**

**Date: February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Time: 11:45 -1:15**

**Location: La Choza, 905 Alarid Street**

**Phone: 505 982-0909**

**Speakers: Donna Sandoval**

**Topic: “Cost Allocation”**

**Cost: \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members**

**R.S.V.P Wanda Gonzales at 827-4865 or by email**

**[supwmg@nmcourts.gov](mailto:supwmg@nmcourts.gov) by 12:00pm, Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup>**

**RSVP’s are Required space is limited**

**Cancellations after the deadline and “no shows will be charged the full price of the meal payable to the Chapter. We must guarantee the number of attendees to the restaurant in advance**



## ***CGFM You Pass We Pay Program (YPWPP)***

The You Pass We Pay Program (YPWPP) is a great way to assist Chapter members meet their goal of obtaining the CGFM...only NM Chapter members are eligible for the program.

Now is the perfect time to become a member of the AGA New Mexico Chapter.

It's also a great time to set a challenging goal and get your Certified Government Financial Manager certification.

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

What are the initial requirements? To earn the CGFM, individuals must apply for the CGFM program and meet the following requirements:

- Ethics:** Read and agree to abide by the AGA's Code of Ethics
- Education:** Have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Examinations:** Pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations
- Experience:** Have at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management

For more information please visit the website:

<https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/About-CGFM.aspx>

If you have any questions please contact Luis R. Eres, CGFM, at  
[luis.r.eres.civ@mail.mil](mailto:luis.r.eres.civ@mail.mil)

# Paparazzi Highlights...CFGM Information Session at the City of Albuquerque



## Audio Conferences

### Scheduled Webinars/Audio Conferences By Bryan Maestas, CGFM, Education Chair

The New Mexico Chapter CEC purchased the following webinars/audio conferences. The topic and dates are listed below. The location where the webinar/audio conferences are to be held will be announced at least one week before the event. Two hours of Continuing Professional Education will be offered.

- **Topic:** Cybersecurity  
**Date:** March 28, 2018

## Chapter Finances

### AGA NM CHAPTER TREASURER'S REPORT January 2018

Book Balance (ledger)	\$	33,546.97
Unreconciled amount	\$	592.82
Outstanding deposits	\$	-
Outstanding checks	\$	-
Bank Balance (bank statement)	\$	<u>34,139.79</u>
<b>Stmt Ending Bank Balance as of 1/31/18</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>34,139.79</u></b>
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## Education

Don't forget education - the Chapter has continuing education opportunities. Updates on the location of these trainings will be posted on the Chapter web-site as well as disseminated through email.

## New Mexico Chapter Website

Please visit the New Mexico Chapter web-site at [agasantafe.org](http://agasantafe.org) to view the most recent postings of Chapter events, happening and member profiles. <http://agasantafe.org/>

## 2017-2018 Chapter Executive Committee

Position	Name	Employer	email	Telephone
President	Wanda Gonzales	NM Supreme Court	supwmg@nmcourts.gov	505-827-4865
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