



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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February is a great time to reflect on the blessings in our lives. I am blessed with a wonderful community of family, friends, coworkers and the opportunity to meet other professionals through AGA. I encourage each of you to introduce yourself to a new face at each AGA even you attend - you never know when that person will be able to help you with a question or help you find the person that can solve that problem that just isn't clicking.

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OZARKS CHAPTER EVENTS

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION	CPE AVAILABLE
2/15/2024	<u>Lunch & Learn</u>	425 Downtown 12 pm - 1 pm	1 CPE
3/21/2024	<u>Spring Seminar</u>	eFactory	8 CPE
4/18/2024	Member meeting	Virtual	1 CPE
5/16/2024	Lunch & Learn	425 Downtown 12 pm - 1 pm	1 CPE

NATIONAL EVENTS

DATE	TOPIC	LOCATION	CPE AVAILABLE
2/28/2024 - 2/29/2024	<u>National Leadership Training</u>	Washington D.C. / Virtual	14 CPE
3/27/2024	<u>Cybersecurity / ERM</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
4/10/2024	<u>Ethics</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
4/24/2024	<u>CARES Act / ARPA</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
5/8/2024	<u>Fraud / Data Analytics</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
5/22/2024	<u>Leadership</u>	Webinar	2 CPE
7/14/2024 - 7/17/2024	<u>Professional Development Training</u>	Denver, CO	24 CPE

National CGFM Study Courses

- **Course 1: Governmental Environment: January 18-19, 2024**
- **Course 2: Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Budgeting: February 6-9, 2024**
- **Course 3: Governmental Financial Management and Control: March 5-7, 2024**

Live, virtual courses with knowledgeable instructors

Deadlines close 7 days before courses begin

More information [here!](#)

Technology Trends Shaping the Future of State & Local Governments

AGA Region 3 Webinar
Presented by Jim Arnette

February 21, 2024
12pm - 1pm

Free for AGA members!
1 CPE

[REGISTER HERE!](#)



Congratulations!
Missouri State Graduate Team wins 2023 Government Finance Case Challenge

Graduate students Jamey Arter, Lucy Petet, and Bailey Ewert along with advisor Kyle Goodin, entered the 2023 Government Finance Case Challenge, a virtual competition where participating teams analyze data for a specified U.S. state, city, or county government, producing a Citizens-Centric Report (CCR) to highlight the importance of government accountability and transparency. The Missouri State team demonstrated outstanding skills in crafting a CCR and delivering an impressive video presentation. See their [CCR](#) and [video presentation!](#)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

State of Missouri

- Senior Accountant

Ozarks Technical Community College

- Senior Accountant

Jack Henry

- Tax Accountant

Hiland Dairy

- Cost Accountant

O'Reilly Auto Parts

- Staff Accountant

FORVIS

- Tax Manager

- Audit Manager

Bass Pro Shops

- Staff Accountant

RECOGNITIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to
Brandie Fisher
on completing the
Public Administration
Graduate certificate!

CHAPTER LEADERSHIP



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- Enhances your marketability
- Increases confidence on the job
- Encourages employer incentives

And many more! For more info go to

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