



AGA Nashville Chapter

Annual History Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

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ABOUT THE NASHVILLE CHAPTER

The National Association of Government Accountants (AGA) was established in 1950 and is dedicated to the enhancement of public financial management and advancing government accountability. AGA serves the professional interest of individuals in local, state and federal governments by offering programs and services to forward its commitment to education and training, professional development, networking, publications and certification that recognize the unique skills of government financial managers.

The Nashville Chapter of AGA is one of approximately 100 chapters across the country that promotes the organization's goals by providing professional support, education and training to members while serving their communities through volunteer activities.

The chapter was chartered on May 16, 1978 and serves the governmental financial community in Middle Tennessee and South-Central Kentucky. The chapter is part of National Council of Chapters Geographic Area 6 governance structure which includes Kentucky, Virginia, Georgia, and North and South Carolina.

Vision

AGA is the premier association for advancing government accountability. AGA defines government accountability as a government's obligation to the people for its actions and use of resources.

Mission

AGA fosters learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability.

Values

Accountability - Promoting and advancing accountability in government.

Diversity- Respecting the ideas and perspectives of all members

Integrity - Fostering the highest professional standards of ethical conduct and behavior and exemplary services to all levels of government.

Leadership - providing experience to members to advance leadership roles in government.

Service - Attending to the needs of our members, the governmental sector and the community.

AGA is *the* association for all financial management related professionals supporting government. Through training and events, professional certification, publications, and ongoing education, AGA helps members build their skills and advance their careers.

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MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETINGS

Chapter luncheon meetings were held both in person and virtual. The meeting dates, speakers, and topics were as follows:

September 13, 2021

Attendees: 53
Location: Double Tree Hotel and WebEx

“Enterprise Risk Management”

Gerry Boaz, CPA, CGFM, CGMA
2021-2022 AGA National President

January 10, 2022

Attendees: 64
Location: Double Tree Hotel

“GASB Leases Standard”

Kristine Brock, CPFO
CFO, City of Franklin, TN
Tuan Le, CPA
Finance & Administration, State of TN

October 4, 2021

Attendees: 46
Location: Double Tree Hotel and WebEx

“AWS Initiatives that Helped Deal with the Pandemic”

Andrew G. Spragg
Deputy CISO - State of Tennessee
Jon E. Sills
Compliance Officer - State of Tennessee

February 7, 2022

Attendees: 177
Location: Double Tree Hotel

“Why Do Internal Controls Fail and What Can Be Done to Fix It? A Contrarian Viewpoint”

John Sutton, CPA, CPTM
CCFO Program Manager - CTAS

March 7, 2022

Attendees: 81
Location: Double Tree Hotel

“Ethics Aren’t for the Birds in Ozark”

Daniel Porter, CFE
Consultant and Prior Investigator for TN

November 1, 2021

Attendees: 79
Location: Double Tree Hotel and WebEx

“Public Corruption”

Special Agent Chad Jarboe
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Special Agent Mark Shafer
Federal Bureau of Investigation

April 4, 2022

Attendees: 92
Location: Double Tree Hotel

“What’s Going On Out There? The Changing World of Accounting, Auditing, and Finance”

Jerry Durham, CPA, CGFM, CFE
Assistant Director - State of Tennessee
Local Government Audit

December 6, 2021

Attendees: 70
Location: Double Tree Hotel

“Cybersecurity 101”

Nathan Abbott, CISA, CFE, EA
Senior Information Systems Specialist
Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury

May 16, 2022

Attendees: 63
Location: Double Tree Hotel

Awards Luncheon

EDUCATION EVENTS

Certified Professional Education was offered or sponsored by the chapter throughout the year. A total of 65 CPE credits were provided. The date, topic, and CPE credits were as follows:

<p>September 8, 2021 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Communication"</p>	<p>January 18-19, 2022 CPE: 16 hours Attendees: 230 Winter Seminar "GASB Update, Managing, Technology"</p>
<p>September 13, 2021 CPE: 1 hour Attendees: 53 Chapter Meeting "Enterprise Risk Management"</p>	<p>February 2, 2022 CPE: 2 hour Attendees: 30 Webinar "GASB Update"</p>
<p>October 4, 2021 CPE: 1 hour Attendees: 46 Chapter Meeting "AWS Initiatives that Helped Deal with the Pandemic"</p>	<p>February 7, 2022 CPE: 1 hours Attendees: 177 Chapter Meeting "Why Do Internal Controls Fail and What Can Be Done..."</p>
<p>October 6, 20201 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Internal Control"</p>	<p>March 7, 2022 CPE: 1 hour Attendees: 81 Chapter Meeting "Ethics Aren't for the Birds in Ozark"</p>
<p>November 1, 2021 CPE: 1 hour Attendees: 79 Chapter Meeting "Public Corruption"</p>	<p>March 21-23, 2022 CPE: 21 hours Attendees: 26 CGFM Exams 1 & 3 Review Course</p>
<p>November 3, 2021 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Ethics"</p>	<p>March 23, 2022 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Cybersecurity/ERM"</p>
<p>December 6, 20201 CPE: 1 hour Attendees: 70 Chapter Meeting "Cybersecurity 101"</p>	<p>April 4, 2022 CPE: 1 hour Attendees: 92 Chapter Meeting "What's Going On Out There? The Changing World of..."</p>
<p>December 15, 20201 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Performance"</p>	<p>April 20, 2022 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "CARES Act"</p>
<p>January 10, 2022 CPE: 1 hour Chapter Meeting Attendees: 64 "GASB Leases Standard"</p>	<p>May 11, 2022 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Fraud/ Data Analytics"</p>
<p>January 12, 2022 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Uniform Guidance"</p>	<p>June 8, 2022 CPE: 2 hours Attendees: 30 Webinar "Leadership"</p>

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANGEMENT (CGFM) PROGRAM

During March 21-23, 2022, the AGA Nashville Chapter hosted a CGFM review course for Exams 1 and 3. Course participants received a paper copy of the CGFM study guide (exam 1 & 3), access for one year to virtual study guides, and 21 hours of NASBA approved CPE.

A total of 21 participants spent 3 days reviewing CGFM material in preparation for the exam.



2021-2022:

Congratulations to the Nashville
Chapter's eight new CGFM's:

Lisanne Palacios
Heather Murray
Amanda Berchard
Sharron Waugh
Diane Wheeler
Ayo Folayan
Kathryn Morrison
Meredith Albright

COMMUNICATIONS

Nashville Notes - Ten issues of the chapter newsletter were published for the 2021-2022 year

Website - The chapter maintained a website <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Nashville-Chapter/Home.aspx> that was updated regularly throughout the year.

Social Media - The chapter maintained a Facebook account that was updated periodically updated <https://www.facebook.com/aganashvillechapter/>

Email - Regular email communication on events such as chapter luncheon and webinar meetings, community service opportunities, job postings and more.

Citizen Centric Report - The chapter communicated detailed chapter information from the prior year through a “visually appealing, clear, and understandable four-page document”. The full CCR can be viewed on the Nashville Chapter website.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Project Pencil

For the 21st consecutive year, the chapter adopted Alex Green Elementary School through the Project PENCIL Foundation and collected \$551 for Alex Green Elementary as well as supplies. The PENCIL Foundation is a non-profit organization that builds *strategic partnerships* between community groups and the needs of Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS) to ensure equitable access to education for all students. This year the chapter participated by donating money, school supplies, and assisted in school activities.

National Community Service Fund

Annually at AGA's Professional Development Training (PDT), AGA supporters donate to the National Community Service Fund (NCSF).

The funds received during July 2021 were used to benefit the community. Of the funds raised, 50% was divided amongst four charities (Fisher House, Ronald McDonald House, Feeding America, and the Alzheimer's Foundation of America).

The other 50% was used for a collegiate scholarship and to match funds raised by chapters. This way, the NCSF helps AGA support the communities in which our members live and serve.

Nashville Rescue Mission

In November 2021, the chapter collected \$150 in donations to the Nashville Rescue Mission. The Nashville Rescue Mission served over 4,000 traditional Thanksgiving meals to men, women, and children experiencing homelessness and hunger over this Thanksgiving holiday.

St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Marathon

On November 20, 2021 and April 23, 2022, the Nashville Chapter supported the St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Marathon. We had 10 volunteers work a water station and cheer on the runners at the November event. The St. Jude Children's Research Hospital advances cures and means of prevention for pediatric catastrophic diseases through research and treatment.



Hats, Coats, Gloves, Socks, and Underwear Drive

For the 11th consecutive year, the AGA Nashville Chapter partnered with Samaritan Ministries in the Hats, Coats, Gloves, Socks, and Underwear Drive for the months of December 2021 and January 2022. The Samaritan Ministries provides food, clothing items and other services free of charge to the Nashville community. In addition to the donated items from our members, the chapter also raised \$810 for the Samaritan Ministries.

Nashville Humane Association

In March 2022, we collected donations of supplies and funds for the Nashville Humane Association.

Nashville Humane is committed to promoting humane education, controlling pet overpopulation, and finding responsible homes for homeless and adoptable pet communities in Nashville and throughout Tennessee.

Second Harvest Food Bank

On January 27, 2022, the Nashville Chapter AGA volunteers sorted 3,235 pounds of frozen food which will provide 2,695 meals. We had seven members volunteer. During the month of April 2022, we collected donations for the Food Bank.



Mending Hearts

For February 2022, the AGA Nashville Chapter collected donations for Mending Hearts. It is the mission of Mending Hearts to provide shelter, hope, and healing to women who may be homeless due to addiction and co-occurring mental health disorders. Mending Hearts helps women restore their lives through a long-term treatment program that offers hope and healing in a supportive community environment. They are currently offering housing and treatment for 110 women.

Nashville Earth Day

The AGA Nashville Chapter volunteered on April 23, 2022 for Nashville Earth Day.

CHAPTER RECOGNITION, PARTICIPATION, AND AWARDS

2022 PDT Chapter Recognition

The chapter yet again received the Platinum Chapter Designation, the highest recognition level in the Chapter Recognition Program sponsored by the National Office.

The Nashville Chapter received recognition for the following:

- Highest Overall Growth Nationally - 69 members
- AGA National President - Nashville Chapter member, Gerry Boaz passed the gavel to the new national president
- Emerging Leader Award of Excellence - Allen Bradley
- Volunteer of the Year - Elisha Crowell
- Young Professional Scholarship - Trevor Glover

National Individual Awards

Kathy Stickel received the William R. Snodgrass National Award.

This award honors state government professionals who exemplify and promote excellence in Government financial management and who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in enhancing sound financial management legislation, regulations, practices, policies, and systems. It recognized exceptional leadership that led to improved financial management practices, policies, systems, or operations and individuals who have consistently exhibited the highest personal and professional standards.

AGA National Participation by Nashville Members

The Nashville Chapter also had several members serving in AGA National Positions.

- Gerry Boaz served as the National President
- Jim Arnette served on the Governance Committee and Intergovernmental Partnership Committee
- Angela McElrath-Prosser served as the NCC Representative
- Rachelle Cabading served as the Chair Higher Education Committee
- Drew Sadler served on the Professional Certification Board

AGA Nashville CGFM Month

The Nashville Chapter successfully requested March be designated as CGFM month with a proclamation from the Nashville Mayor and a resolution from the Tennessee General Assembly.

Nashville Chapter Member Awards for 2021-2022

Community Service	Lisanne Palacios and Scarlet Sneed
Volunteer of the Year	Elisha Crowell
Members of the Year	Angela McElrath-Prosser and Drew Sadler
President's Award	Jai Sawlani

Retirees Honored

Jerry Durham
Dan Willis

National Professional Development Training (PDT) Drawing

Every year the Nashville Chapter holds a drawing for a National AGA PDT registration fee for members attaining a certain level of points earned by participating in AGA Nashville activities. This year the winners were Lisanne Palacios and Sara Pope. Congratulations to both.

Scholarships

The William R. Snodgrass Scholarship, named for his astounding contribution to the accounting and auditing profession, is awarded to middle or west Tennessee, southern Kentucky, or northern Alabama high school seniors or college students with a business-related major such as accounting, economics, finance, information systems, management, or marketing. The recipients of the William R. Snodgrass Business Scholarships for 2021-2022 were:

- Nathaniel Harrison - \$2,500; attending Middle Tennessee State University
- Jackson Bryan - \$2,500; attending Samford University

The Fawn W. Ellis Scholarship, named posthumously for a state audit employee, is awarded to an AGA Nashville chapter member, member's spouse, or member's child or grandchild. The recipients of the Fawn W. Ellis Scholarship for 2021-2022 were:

- Mario Hill- \$2,500; attending Middle Tennessee State University
- Dawson Reed - \$2,500; attending Milligan University

Chapter Members Service on Committees

Officers

Katie Armstrong
Rachelle Cabading
Jessica Cox
Nichole Crittenden
Angela McElrath
Jai Sawlani
Alex Warns

Community Service

Keevia Battle
Angela McElrath-Prosser
Mary Anne Queen
Scarlet Sneed

Nominating

Nathan Abbott
Katie Armstrong
Rachelle Cabading
Angela McElrath-Prosser
Chase Tramel

Accountability and Outreach

Tyler Trout

Awards

Rimon Abdou
Mary Goins
Pamela Marks

Education

Nathan Abbott
Terry Burr
Nichole Crittenden
Tyler Ensminger
Scarlet Sneed
Chase Tramel
Alex Warns

Web

Nathan Abbott
Tyler Ensminger
Bethany Graves
Chase Tramel
Daniel Willis

Bylaws and Procedures

Allen Bradley

CGFM

Drew Sadler

Meetings and Attendance

Bridget Carver
Melvin Jones
Macey Ray
Scarlet Sneed

Young Professionals

Bethany Graves

Communications

Tyler Ensminger

Corporate Sponsorship

Jackson Lanier

National Committee

James Arnette
Gerry Boaz
Rachelle Cabading
Angela McElrath-Prosser
Drew Sadler

Finance

Kevin Lorenzana-Rodriguez

Membership

Bridget Carver

Program

Donna Jewell
Andrew Turner

MEMBERSHIP

The Nashville Chapter had 323 members at the end of June 30, 2022. We had 69 new members join our Chapter throughout the year and we are proud to see the Chapter continue to grow to serve our government accountability community.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Balance Sheet



AGA - Nashville Chapter
Balance Sheet
as of 06/30/2022

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Assets		
1001	Checking-Regions -2588	1,000.00
1003	Accounts Receivable	35.00
1004	Checking - Regions - Main -0749	104,608.07
Total Assets		<u>105,643.07</u>
Liabilities		
Total Liabilities		<u>-</u>
Equity		
3000	General Fund - Fund Balance	105,643.07
Total Equity		<u>105,643.07</u>
Total Liabilities + Total Equity		<u><u>105,643.07</u></u>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Net Income



AGA - Nashville Chapter
Income Statement
for the period of 07/01/2021 to 06/30/2022

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
Income		
4000	Corporate Sponsorship	\$ 2,635.54
4010	Education - Income From Seminars	46,075.00
4020	National - Local Membership Dues	1,571.67
4030	M&A - Monthly Meeting Fees	1,154.00
4050	Program - Social Meeting Income	425.00
4060	CGFM - Workshop Fees	11,515.00
4080	Volunteer Sporting Events	844.28
4100	Community Service - Member Donations	1,427.00
4110	Satellite Chapter	1,270.00
Total Income		\$ 66,917.49
Expense		
5003	Admin - PDT Community Service Donation (National)	600.00
5005	Admin - Postage/Printing	299.10
5008	Admin - Accounting Software Subscription	486.00
5009	Admin - Travel-PDT Attendance (Registration & Travel)	5,606.40
5011	Admin - Insurance -Location Rental	444.00
5012	Admin - Subscriptions	250.00
5013	Admin - Equipment	1,500.50
7001	Awards - Member Award/Plaques	399.00
7003	Awards - Scholarship Awards	10,000.00
7005	Awards - Retiree Gifts	113.20
8001	CGFM - Study Books Awards	750.00
8004	CGFM - Paypal Fees	59.93
8010	CGFM - Review Course	10,815.45
9000	CS - Community Service Award	100.00
9007	CS - Alex Green Elementary/PENCIL Foundation	551.00
9010	CS - Hats, Coats, Gloves, & Socks Drive	100.00
9014	CS - Nashville Humane Association	100.00
9018	CS - Mending Hearts	100.00
9021	CS - Second Harvest	150.00
9023	CS - Member Donations	831.00
9024	CS - Paypal Fees	55.28
11010	Education - Webinars	2,810.00
11012	Educaion - Breakfast Event - Food	1,026.89
11013	Education - Breakfast Event - Facility Rental	65.00
11017	Education - Winter Seminar-Printing, Postage, Materials	36.00
11018	Education - Winter Seminar - Speaker Fees & Gifts	6,725.00
11022	Education - Paypal Fees-Education	304.07
11023	Education - Breakfast Event - Printing, Postage, Materials	25.00
12010	M&A - CEC Meeting Lunches	668.39
12012	M&A - Luncheon Drawing Awards	225.00
12013	M&A - Monthly Meeting Expense	8,790.88
12014	M&A - First Time Guest	389.34
12015	M&A - Monthly Meeting-Paypal Fees	57.45
12018	M&A - Joint Meeting Expense	2,862.72
13013	Membership - Recruitment Program	840.00
13014	Membership - Retention Program	2,110.00
15010	Program - Speaker Lunches	250.74
15011	Program - Speaker Parking	38.24
15012	Program - Speaker Gifts (Charitable Donations)	200.00
15014	Program - Social Events	1,189.96
16010	Website - Hosting & Domain Name Registration	906.29
19000	Satellite Chapter - Other Charges	1,082.87
Total Expense		\$ 63,914.70
Net Income (Loss)		\$ 3,002.79

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