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ACCOMPLISHMENTS
The Chapter's many accomplishments over the years include hosting a very successful AGA Professional Development Conference (PDC), participating in a nationwide teleconference on revisions to government auditing standards, sponsoring full-day training events, winning best chapter and best newsletter awards, featuring the U.S. Comptroller General at two monthly meetings, and establishing a student financial management club at Chicago State University. Each year the Chapter's monthly luncheon meetings have introduced quality speakers including several Inspectors General. Its newsletters have consistently published interesting and informative articles. The Chapter has also granted scholarships and sponsored Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) programs, food and clothing drives, and financial management courses for minority business persons.

MISSION STATEMENT
The mission of the AGA Chicago Chapter is to carry out an educational responsibility of enhancing public financial management and accountability. AGA through its chapters is a leading advocate for improving the quality and effectiveness of government fiscal administration. The Chapter serves the public interests of financial managers and auditors from local, state and federal governments from the Chicago area. The Chapter provides an opportunity for accountants and auditors to meet on a regular basis for training and networking.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS In 2010-2011 our Chapter provided 30 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) to hundreds of participants throughout the Chicago land area. Our chapter held 10 educational events including a free six-hour professional development conference, two audio conferences, six live speakers during monthly luncheons, and a two day fraud and accounting conference with nearly 80 participants. We contributed many hours to community service events such as the U.S. Marines Toys-for-Tots, added new members, and achieved the gold level chapter recognition award for our work throughout the year. In years past, our chapter has also hosted Professional Development Conferences, participated in a nationwide teleconference on revisions to government auditing standards, sponsored full-day training events, won best chapter and best newsletter awards, featured the U.S. Comptroller General at two monthly meetings, and established a student financial management club at Chicago State University. In addition, each year the Chapter's luncheon meetings have introduced quality speakers including several Inspectors General; our newsletters have consistently published interesting and informative articles; we have granted scholarships; and our members have participated in the Voluntary Income Tax Assistance program, food and clothing drives, and financial management courses for minority business persons.	
CHICAGO CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE The Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) is the primary chapter governing body and is composed of officers and directors. Terms of office are for one year. No officer may be elected for more than three successive terms in the same office.	
CHAPTER NEWSLETTER The Chapter newsletter, Observations, is published from September to May to keep members informed about Chapter and member activities as well as current developments in government auditing, accounting, and financial management. In addition, our Newsletter Editor sends out periodic emails to members informing them of upcoming events.	
CHAPTER LUNCHEON MEETINGS An opportunity to meet with other professionals, enjoy good food, and listen to interesting and pertinent talks by prominent local, regional, and national speakers. Occasionally, meetings are held jointly with other professional organizations. Luncheon meetings for our Chapter are generally held on the second Tuesday of the following months: September, November, February, April, and May. Prices to attend the meetings can vary, but are generally \$5.00 to \$7.00 for active members, and \$10.00 to \$12.00 for non-members. Meetings usually start at 11:30am and participants earn 1 or 2 CPE's. More specific luncheon information can be found in our Newsletter or on the Events page on our Website.	
CHAPTER JOB REFERRAL Job opportunities in auditing, accounting, and financial management are published in our Newsletter and Website.	
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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY Each year in January, the Chapter publishes an updated Chapter Membership Directory which includes listings of members in alphabetical order and by employer. It also includes home and employer address and phone, titles, and professional certifications.
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS Each year, the Chapter offers a variety of educational opportunities to its members. The Chapter is approved by Illinois to grant Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits and it grants them for attendance at educational events and many of the monthly luncheon meetings.
THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION The <u>Association of Government Accountants (AGA)</u> was founded in 1950 by individuals who recognized the need for a unique organization to bring together professionals in government financial management. They envisioned AGA as a medium through which members could develop their professional skills, improve their work environment, and achieve recognition for their profession's important contributions to improving government financial management - and consequently, to improve government overall. Today, AGA has over 12,500 members in 93 chapters serving major government centers in the U.S. and abroad. Its programs are recognized and respected; its views are solicited by government, professional, public, and private institutions everywhere. Additional information on the national organization is contained in application brochures and other materials available from Chapter officers, directors, membership coordinators, and of course, the AGA National Headquarters.



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This page is a list of various chapter and national events. The events include: monthly luncheon meetings, training events, public service events, CEC meetings and other events. Important! You should periodically clear your browser's cache to ensure that you get the most recent calendar information. This information can change, and you should know about it! The steps to clear your cache differ greatly depending on the browser you use. For Netscape, select Options, Network Preferences, Cache, Clear Disk Cache Now. That should do it!

2012/2013 SCHEDULE

DATE	MEMBER COST	TOPIC	TIME	CPE hours
May 1st & 2nd	\$195	2013 Professional Development Conference. Click here for details.	8:00am-4:00pm	13+
01/15/13	Free	AGA Chicago Chapter Presents Live Continuing Education Seminar "Cybersecurity, Privacy & You" Click here for details.	Noon	1
12/05/12	Free	AGA Chicago Chapter Holiday Reception. Free Food and Drinks! Meet, Great and Network! Click here for details.	4:30 PM-7:30PM	No CPE
11/13/12	\$10.00	AGA Chicago Chapter Continuing Education Seminar Series Topic: "Labor Fraud". Click here for details.	12:00 PM CST	1
10/17/12	\$10.00	AGA Audio Conference "Improving Internal Controls". Click here for details.	1:00 PM - 2:50 PM CST	2
NOW	See link	ONLINE GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING CERTIFICATE PROGRAM offered through the University of Georgia's Center for Continuing Education. Each course within the Program is designed to help you understand how to apply GAAP to the transactions and events that occur in a government environment. This is an excellent online educational opportunity for all members. Click here for more details.	See link	See link
09/13/11	\$6.00	Monthly Luncheon - Pamela Dill McCoy, Regional Director at CCH TeamMate will be speaking about CCH's TeamMate system. (Please see handouts from luncheon below)	11:30am	2
		POWERPOINT PRESENTATION - What's New in R10		
		TEAMMATE OFFICE INTEGRATION ISSUES		
		REPLICATION IN R9 & R10		
		COMMON R8 ERRORS & R10 ISSUES		
09/15/11	\$150	AGA Central Indiana Chapter Fall 2011 PDC - Sustainability Through Accountability (Downtown Hilton, 120 W. Market St., Indianapolis, IN)	all day	6
11/03/11 thru 10/01/11	\$395 till 10/01/11	AGA's Seventh Annual Performance Management Conference (W Hotel in Seattle, Washington)	Varies	10-14



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11/15/11	\$6.00	Monthly Luncheon - Michael J. Hood, Deputy Attorney General for Criminal Justice in the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, will be speaking about white collar crime investigations and the Illinois forgery statue (77 W. Jackson Blvd in GSA Conference Room 328)	11:30am	1
12/15/11	FREE	AGA Chicago Chapter Holiday reception (Exchequer Restaurant & Pub at 226 S. Wabash Avenue)	5:30pm to 7:30pm	0
02/08/12	\$6.00	Audio Conference: The New Stewardship Imperative - Federal Financial Management at the Crossroads (Metcalfe Federal Building, 77 W. Jackson, Room 325). Lunch will be provided beginning at 12:30pm.	1:00pm to 3:00pm	2
02/16/12 thru 02/17/12	\$475 Online before 1/20	AGA 10th Annual National Leadership Conference (Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington D.C.)	Varies	14
02/29/12	FREE	AGA Career Fair 2012 (Washington D.C. Convention Center)	10:00am to 4:00pm	1
March 2012	N/A	AGA CEC Nominations (Click Here for more details)	N/A	N/A
04/18/12 thru 04/19/12	\$195	Annual Chapter Professional Development Conference (GSA Conference Room 328 at 77 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604)	11:30am	13
05/15/12	\$6.00	Monthly Luncheon - TBA (77 W. Jackson Blvd in GSA Conference Room 328)	11:30am	1
07/29/12 thru 08/01/12	\$775 Online before 06/29	AGA 61st Annual Professional Development Conference and Exposition (San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, CA)	Varies	24



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EMPLOYMENT

The purpose of this page is to provide job announcements that may be of interest to our members, and tools to use when searching for a new employer. Specific job announcements listed here have been provided directly to the chapter in an attempt to recruit our members. When no active listings are found here, the tools listed are a good place to start!

If you or your organization would like to list a vacancy here, please send the pertinent information to the [WEBMASTER](#), or send it to:


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AVAILABLE JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOB TITLE	AGENCY	CLOSING	CONTACT
Import Specialist(GS-1889-09/11)	DHS	10/05/2012	USAJOBS
Criminal Investigator (GS-1811-13/13)	DOJ	10/09/2012	USAJOBS
Program Analyst (GS-0243-12/13)	DHHS	10/10/2012	USAJOBS
Wage and Hour Investigator (GS-1849-07/07)	DOL	10/11/2012	USAJOBS
Food Inspector(GS-1863-05/07)	USDA	05/30/2013	USAJOBS

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- [AGA Career Center](#)
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AGA MEMBERSHIP DUES & MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

MEMBER TYPE	ANNUAL FEE	CRITERIA
Full Government Member	\$90.00/year	This class of membership requires three or more years of government experience, involving the professional performance of financial management activities in an operational, administrative and/or supervisory capacity. This class is also available to individuals with similar experience outside the government who are engaged in educational activities having the same objectives as the Association, or who have made a contribution toward the improvement of government financial management.
Early Career Member	\$45.00/year	This class of membership is available to government employees with less than three years experience.
Student Member	\$30.00/year	This class of membership is available to full-time college/university students.

The full amount of the annual dues shown above, which includes \$7.00 for the Chapter dues, should be submitted with the application. The first-year dues invoice, mailed in March of each year, will include an adjustment for a prorated amount, if appropriate. For additional types of membership, please visit <http://www.agacfm.org/membership/join/categories.aspx>



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