

## Upcoming Events

### September 7, 2022

1:00-2:15 AGA Webinar  
Evidence-based Policy-  
making  
FREE (Individual  
Webinar)

### September 28, 2022

1:00-3:00 AGA Webinar  
Communications &  
Marketing  
(Individual Webinar)

### October 19, 2022

1:00-3:00 AGA Webinar  
Internal Controls  
(Individual Webinar)

### November 12, 2022

1:00-3:00 AGA Webinar  
Ethics  
(Individual Webinar)



## President's Message – August 2022

Hello Everyone and Welcome to the 2022-2023 Program Year!

I'm Terri Walker and I am proud to be your Chapter President for the 2022-2023 Program year. I'm also pleased to announce that Kaylynn Short has agreed to serve as President Elect, Randy Lagerblade as Education Director, and Janice Evans as Chapter Historian for this program year. Thank you! The Accountability Outreach Chair and Membership Director positions are still open, if you are interested in one or both of those positions, please reach out to Kaylynn short, [kaylynn.short@iowapbs.org](mailto:kaylynn.short@iowapbs.org) or myself, [terri.walker@iowa.gov](mailto:terri.walker@iowa.gov).

Upcoming training events: September 7<sup>th</sup>, Free Members-Only Webinar *Evidence-based Policymaking Who's Doing it Right?* September 20-21, Fraud 2022 *Internal Control & Fraud Prevention Training* attend in person in Washington DC or virtually, and September 28<sup>th</sup> *Communications*. And be sure to check out the [Des Moines Chapter website](#), for other educational opportunities hosted by the Des Moines AGA Chapter as well as other AGA Chapters across the nation.

I'm looking forward to another great year with AGA.

Terri R Walker, CPM  
Chapter President



## 2022-2023 CEC Update & Open Positions:

- President –Terri Walker
- Immediate Past President/NCC Rep – Terri Walker
- President Elect/Nominations/Recognition – Kaylynn Short
- Secretary – Ermin Begovic
- Treasurer – Mihneta Lisinovic
- Accountability—**Vacant**
- CGFM/Professional Certification- Pam Sullivan
- Early Careers/Young Professionals – Kent Farver
- Community Service – Anieta O'Hair
- Communications – Angela James
- Education – Randy Lagerblade
- Membership—**Vacant**
- Chapter Historian– Janice Evans
- Bylaws & Procedures – Randy Lagerblade
- Webmaster – Kaylynn Short



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### CGFM Corner, Pam Sullivan

Summer is ending and September is back to school. Maybe it's time you consider enhancing your career by completing the CGFM. Did you know there's scholarships for Des Moines Chapter AGA members?

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How do you become a CGFM?

- Submit an online application and meet the following requirements:
- Ethics – Agree to abide by AGA's code of ethics
- Education – Have a bachelor's degree in any subject area from an accredited U.S. College or University
- Examinations – Pass three comprehensive CGFM examinations
- Experience – Have at least two years of professional

Are you ready to make a commitment for a career changing certification? Contact [agacgfm@agacgfm.org](mailto:agacgfm@agacgfm.org)

### Treasurer's Report, Mihneta Lisinovic



AGA-Des Moines Chapter  
Balance Sheet  
As of July 31, 2022

Assets	
Checking	20,288.35
Less: Outstanding Items	-
Petty Cash	-
Savings	1,240.93
PayPal	965.77
Certificate of Deposit	-
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>22,495.05</b>
Liabilities & Equity	
Equity-Unreserved	22,495.05
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Miscellaneous	10.00	0.00%	-
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Rev over (under) Exp	-		(125.63)
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022			22,620.68
Ending Balance July 31, 2022			22,495.05

**Historian’s Corner, Janice Evans:**

This historian’s corner is written in memory of Richard D. Johnson, one of our former members, who passed away May 26, 2022 following a ten-year battle with Alzheimer’s disease. He contributed much to AGA and other professional organizations and the Des Moines AGA chapter was fortunate to have him as member. The following is an overview followed by some of his accomplishments and contributions to AGA, primarily from Des Moines AGA newsletters.



Richard D. Johnson was a native Midwesterner, graduating from Drake University, working for Peat, Marwick, Mitchell, the Iowa Department of Transportation and served in the Iowa National Guard. He was first appointed State Auditor in 1979. He was elected in 1980 to serve the remainder of that term and re-elected in 1982, 1986, 1990, 1994, and 1998. He is the first CPA to serve in this state-wide position. Originally from Spencer, Nebraska, Mr. Johnson graduated from Drake University in 1960 with a BS. degree in accounting and received his CPA certificate in 1963. Mr. Johnson served as a member of the Auditing Standards Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) (chairman of the task force that drafted ASA 63, Compliance Auditing), is a past president of the National State Auditors Association (NSAA), a past President of the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT). The March 1985 newsletter indicated Mr. Johnson had been appointed as a member of the GASB task force studying the measurement focus/basic of accounting in government and later served as a member of the Financial Accounting Foundation from 2001-2006. Throughout his professional career he had many opportunities to work with other states and countries needing assistance with financial restructuring and stability.

Mr. Johnson has been active in various committees of the AICPA, NSAA, AGA, NASACT, and the Mid-America Intergovernmental Audit Forum (MIAF). Johnson is considered to be one of the very best governmental accountants and administrators.

Mr. Johnson was nominated for the AGA National Award by the Des Moines Chapter of AGA based on his outstanding financial management leadership throughout almost 17 years as Iowa’s Auditor of State. Also cited was his unselfish commitment of time to enhance financial management nationwide through his involvement and leadership in many professional organizations.

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**Community Service for FY2022-2023:**

**September - October:**  
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Please check back with our next newsletter for more information on the remainder of the charities to be supported in the upcoming AGA year.

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**Community Service, Anieta O'Hair**

Although events were not held in person, the chapter "passed the envelope" and collected donations for these charities through Eventbrite, which is also used for event registration and payments. Below is a summary of activity from the 2021-2022 AGA year:

- August - September, 2021 - Collected cash donations for the Alzheimer's Association. The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia - by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support. Chapter members also joined the September 25, 2021 Walk to End Alzheimer's event. \$1,025 was donated to the Alzheimer's Association, including member contributions, the chapter match and the national match.
- September - October 2021 - Collected donations of cash for Iowa Remembers, Inc. This organization, located in Grimes, Iowa, was founded in 2010 to remember and honor the Iowa military casualties of war from Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn. Their sacrifice, and that of all the others who have died, will never be forgotten. \$285 was donated to Iowa Remembers, including member contributions, the chapter match and the national match.
- November - December 2021 - Collected cash donations for Toys for Tots. Established in 1947, Toys for Tots is the U.S. Marine Corps' premiere community action program and America's most popular Children's Christmastime Charity. It is the combined effort of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve and the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. The mission today is the same as it was in 1947: to bring the joy of Christmas to America's less fortunate children. \$800 was donated to Toys for Tots, including member contributions, the chapter match and the national match.
- February - March 2022 - Collected cash donations for the Animal Rescue League of Iowa. The Animal Rescue League of Iowa (ARL) is Iowa's largest nonprofit animal shelter, caring for many thousands of pets each year. The ARL serves people and pets from across the state of Iowa through its programs, which include pet adoption, humane education, pet behavior training, spay/neuter, animal cruelty intervention and much more. A check for \$775 from member contributions, the chapter match and the national match was presented to the ARL CEO, Tom Colvin, who gave a brief overview of the ARL at the spring hybrid conference. The donations included at the hybrid spring conference.
- April - May 2022 - Collected donations of cash for the Autism Society of Iowa. Their mission is to provide advocacy, support and information to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders, their families, professionals, and communities throughout the state of Iowa. \$400 was donated to the Autism Society of Iowa including member contributions, the chapter match and the national match.
- June 2022 - Collected donations of cash for the Food Bank of Iowa. Their mission is to provide food for Iowa children, families, and seniors to lead full and active lives, strengthening the communities where they live. \$440 was donated to the Food Bank of Iowa including member contributions as well as chapter and national match.

**Citizen Centric & Chapter History Reports:**

The [Des Moines Chapter Citizen-Centric Report \(CCR\)](#) and the [Chapter History Report](#) are now available on the chapter's website. Click on the report for a link to the website.

On September 30, 2021 the 2020-2021 Citizen Centric Report (CCR) for the Des Moines chapter was published and submitted to the national office. On Friday October 1, 2021 it was posted to our chapter's website. The report can be found at the following [website](#).

## Upcoming Events

### November 2, 2022

11:30-12:50 Lunch 'n Learn  
(In Person Only)  
Zach Goodrich—Executive  
Director Iowa Ethics &  
Campaign Disclosure  
Board  
1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
Ethics (Individual  
Webinar)

### December 14, 2022

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
Risk Management  
(Individual Webinar)

### January 11, 2023

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
Uniform Guidance & Grant  
Management  
(Individual Webinar)

### January 25, 2023

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
FREE Members Only  
(Individual Webinar)

### February 1, 2023

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
GASB Update  
(Individual Webinar)



## President's Message – October 2022

Happy Fall!

This is a busy time for governmental accountants with GAAP Packages, budgets, and audits, but even with our busy schedules we had a great turn out for the *Internal Control: Assessing and Monitoring Controls in a Remote Environment* webinar on October 19<sup>th</sup> with 24 attendees.

Upcoming training opportunities for 2022: *NASACT Leading Through Volatility* on October 26, tickets are currently on sale, *Ethical Standards in Accountability & Transparency* webinar on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, tickets will be on sale soon through Eventbrite, and *Risk Management* on December 14<sup>th</sup>. You will also be able to attend AGA's Technology & Transformation Summit on December 8<sup>th</sup>, it's free for AGA members to attend virtually. Earn up to 8 hours of CPE for FREE!

The Des Moines Chapter CEC is pleased to announce that we are hosting a Lunch n' Learn on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Zach Goodrich, Executive Director of the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board, will be joining us in person. Those who can join us for the Lunch n' Learn will have an opportunity stay and attend the Ethics webinar as we will be offering *Ethical Standards in Accountability & Transparency* as a hybrid event.

Hope to see you soon!

Terri R Walker, CPM  
Chapter President



## The Return of Lunch 'N Learn!



After 2 1/2 years, we are finally returning to Lunch 'n Learns...in a somewhat hybrid format. We will be meeting in the Grimes Building, B-100 (where we met previously) starting at 11:30. Bring your own lunch and beverage (there are vending machines nearby) and spend a few minutes catching up with others. We have Zach Goodrich, Executive Director and Legal Counsel of the Iowa Ethics & Campaign Disclosure Board. He will be presenting an overview of how the board promotes the public's trust and confidence in government by ensuring the integrity of political campaigns, the ethical standards for officials and employees of the executive branch of state government, and the lawful conduct of executive branch lobbyists. I thought it a perfect fit with the Ethics Webinar following at 1:00. This is where it becomes hybrid: you can stay and watch on the big screens or sign up and watch on your own. Both options provide CPE hours. So Exciting! Hope to see you all on November 2.

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**Treasurer's Report,  
Mihneta Lisinovic**



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<b>Assets</b>	
Checking	16,308.61
Less: Outstanding Items	-
Petty Cash	-
Savings	1,240.95
PayPal	1,485.68
Certificate of Deposit	-
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**Historian’s Corner, Janice Evans:**

Do you remember the October 13, 1988 Nation-wide teleconference introducing the new "Yellow Book" the Des Moines AGA Chapter hosted at Drake?



The following is from the September newsletter. Using Star Wars technology, the National Office of AGA is setting up an October 12th Videoconference on the 1988 revision of the "Yellow Book." The new revision contains the most current standards for audits of federal programs. The last revision was in 1981 and much has happened since then. The 1988 revision is, accordingly, extensive.

The following information is from the May 20, 2014 [U. S. Government Accountability Office \(GAO\) Watchblog](#) and/or [GAO’s website](#).

Since 1972, GAO has produced and maintained Government Auditing Standards, also known as the Yellow Book. The Yellow Book is the book of standards and guidance for auditors and audit organizations, outlining the characteristics of good audit reports, professional qualifications for auditors, and audit quality guidelines. Many auditors of federal, state, and local government programs use these standards, commonly referred to as generally accepted government auditing standards (GAGAS), to produce their reports. How Did the Yellow Book Get Its Nickname? In an interview with Marcia Buchanan, who maintained the Yellow Book for 22 years, we heard that it’s called the Yellow Book because the group that put it together in 1972 thought that it should have a gold cover and be called the "Golden Rules of Auditing." The Comptroller General at the time, Elmer Staats, thought that was very presumptuous. And so it became the Yellow Book—getting close to gold, but not completely. How Does the Yellow Book Help Auditors? The Yellow Book standards help auditors hold the organizations they audit accountable.

The 2018 revision of the Yellow Book is only effective for financial audits, attestation engagements, and reviews of financial statements for periods ending on or after June 30, 2020, and for performance audits beginning on or after July 1, 2019. In April 2021 limited technical updates were made to the 2018 revision of the Yellow Book. The 2021 technical updates to the 2018 revision of the Yellow Book are effective upon issuance. At this time, there are no amendments or interpretive guidance for the 2018 revision of Government Auditing Standards. Yellow Book revisions undergo an extensive, deliberative process, including public comments and input from the Comptroller General’s Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards.

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**November-December:**

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**January-February:**

Stead Family Children’s Hospital

**March:** Autism Society of Iowa

**April:** Animal Rescue League

**May-June:**

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**Community Service, Anieta O'Hair**

The Des Moines Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants is continuing to "pass the envelope" to collect monetary donations for charities in fiscal year 2022-2023. While we are unable to meet in person, we have set up an online Eventbrite donation process that you can use to donate to one of the six charities, if you would like. The Des Moines Chapter will continue to match up to \$100 in donations per charity and will also request a match from the National Office. Below is a listing of the Community Service projects selected for the 2022-2023 year:



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The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is dedicated to improving the lives of millions of Americans affected by mental illness. Financial contributions support NAMI's ongoing awareness, education and advocacy efforts, including initiatives such as expanding NAMI HelpLine's hours and services; advocating for a better crisis response system; developing resources for youth and young adults; and updating our educational materials to better address the needs of underrepresented communities.

The University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital is dedicated to meeting the health care needs of children and families. Services range from promoting wellness to the care of general childhood illness, surgery, traumatic injuries, life-threatening and chronic illnesses, and developmental disabilities. As part of an academic medical center, UI Stead Family Children's Hospital also performs groundbreaking research to help solve the mysteries of childhood diseases, in addition to training the next generation of health care professionals.

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The mission of Special Olympics Iowa is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for individuals with intellectual disabilities by giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community.

I invite you to join us in these community services events by participating in the "pass the envelope" opportunities for these great organizations!

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Uniform Guidance & Grant  
Management  
(Individual Webinar)

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### February 1, 2023

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(In Person Only)  
Speaker TBD  
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DM-AGA Spring Seminar  
7:30-4:30  
In Person/Virtual  
FFA Enrichment Center  
Ankeny, IA

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## President's Message – December 2022

Happy Holidays!

As 2023 quickly approaches I want to take a moment and look back at what the Des Moines Chapter has accomplished in the over this past calendar year.

- We offered 37 CPE in 2022 with an average of 16 attendees attending the monthly AGA webinars.
- The Annual Spring Seminar was held as a hybrid event with 41 attending in-person and 45 attending remotely.
- We held our first in-person Lunch 'n Learn since February 2020.
- Our members have donated a total of \$865.00 to our Community Service Projects. (There is still time to donate to the National Alliance on Mental Illness!)

Here's what is coming up in 2023:

- The Des Moines Chapter begins 2023 with 69 active members.
- We will be providing 26 CPE through June, beginning with Uniform Guidance & Grant Accounting on January 11<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are on sale now through Eventbrite.
- AGA National is offering 3 Free Members Only webinars through June (worth 1.5 CPE each). Visit the AGA National website, <https://www.agacgfm.org/Training/Webinars.aspx>, to find out more.
- The Annual Spring Seminar will be held as a hybrid event again this year at the FFA Enrichment Center or virtually on April 13, 2023.
- We will continue our Community Service Projects in 2023 with the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital Fund, Autism Society of Iowa, Animal Rescue League of Iowa, and Special Olympics Iowa.

I wish all of you Happy Holidays and a Fantastic New Year!

Terri R Walker, CPM  
Chapter President



## Town Hall Meetings

All AGA Members are invited and encouraged to attend the Town Hall Meetings. Register now to add them to your calendar!

- November 15<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) @ 2pm ET - Meetings and Events Town Hall
- December 15<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) @ 2pm ET – Student and YP Town Hall
- January 10<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) @ 2pm ET - CGFM Town Hall
- January 17<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) @ 2pm ET Renewals Town Hall
- February 28<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) @ 2pm ET - Success Planning Town Hall



### CGFM Corner, Pam Sullivan

Make a New Year’s Resolution for 2023 that allows you to expand your career opportunities. Make 2023 your year to add CGFM Certification to your resume and fulfill your resolution. CGFM is a great way to increase your knowledge with a professional certification. Have you considered the CGFM program offered through AGA? The Des Moines chapter has 25 CGFM. The program has four components which include ethics, education, examinations and experience. This is an opportunity to expand your career opportunities with the completion of the CGFM Certification.

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

If you have any questions about the process, please contact the Office of Professional

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Petty Cash	-
Savings	1,241.03
PayPal	850.88
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Do you remember when the Des Moines chapter newsletter was not received electronically? The following is from the December 2000 newsletter.



**Electronic Delivery**

Your Chapter's experiment with sending out this newsletter electronically met with success. Members of the Chapter Executive Committee and those who had earlier indicated an interest in receiving the newsletter electronically received it by EMail last month. Many commented that they liked the electronic version because it comes in color. The newsletter is published in color. Unfortunately, the cost of duplicating it in color is cost prohibitive. So, if you would like to see the living color version, electronic delivery is an option. Please contact Janice Jensen at [jjensen@dvr.state.ia.us](mailto:jjensen@dvr.state.ia.us) or Norm Hulscher at [hulscher@storm.simpson.edu](mailto:hulscher@storm.simpson.edu) to indicate an interest in electronic delivery.



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**Current Top Point Leaders 2022-2023:**

- Janice Evans – 210 points
- Kimberly Knight – 155 points
- Kathleen Barger – 140 points
- Angela James – 125 points
- Pam Sullivan - 110

Welcome to New Member...  
Lisa Swanepoel with the City of Ankeny.



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During the months of September and October, AGA members contributed \$95 towards Iowa Remembers, Inc. during our fundraising event. We will be submitting this amount to the National AGA for matching. Iowa Remembers is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity run solely by volunteers. Founded in 2010, Iowa Remembers is located in Grimes, Iowa. The mission of Iowa Remembers is "To remember and honor the Iowa military casualties of war from Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn. Their sacrifice, and that of all the others who have died, will never be forgotten." Thank you for your generous contributions to this organization!

Many of our friends and family silently experience depression and other forms of mental illness throughout the year; especially during the holiday season. We are currently accepting contributions during the months of November - December for the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Financial contributions support NAMI's ongoing awareness, education and advocacy efforts, including initiatives such as expanding NAMI Help-Line's hours and services; advocating for a better crisis response system; developing resources for youth and young adults; and updating our educational materials to better address the needs of underrepresented communities. Thank you to everyone who has contributed thus far during our event!



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My hope and wish is that you all are blessed with health, happiness and a joyful holiday and New Year!

Anieta O'Hair  
Community Services Director

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Women’s Forum  
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In Person—Robotic  
Process Automation &  
Artificial Intelligence  
(Individual Webinar)

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Risk Management  
(Individual Webinar)

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## President’s Message – February 2023

Spring training opportunities:

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*RPA/AI* on March 1<sup>st</sup> and *Cybersecurity/ERM* on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

April begins with a Free Members-Only webinar on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Then the Des Moines Chapter will host our Spring Training event with an Ethics webinar on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> followed by an all-day Seminar on Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. The seminar will be held both in person at the DMACC FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny and remotely with audio/video being managed by Digital Matters. We are pleased to announce that Lisa Parker from GASB will be presenting on GASB Updates. Other speakers to be announced soon.

The Des Moines Chapter’s charitable drive for January/February is the U of I Stead Family Children’s Hospital, donations are currently at \$75,00.

Terri R Walker, CPM  
Chapter President



## Chapter Recognition Points, Terri Walker:

Achievements in Chapter Excellence (ACE) Goals for 2022-2023

The ACE awards program, “focuses on core items that must be completed for a chapter to maintain baseline operations, and rewards varying levels of achievement”.

The Des Moines CEC has set a goal of Silver, 2,000-2,900 points. However, the Chapter hopes to earn extra points by exceeding the set goals.

Here are some things our members can do to help the Des Moines Chapter exceed our goals:

- Recruit Members – our goal is to finish the 2022-2023 member year with 2 more members than we started with. Recruiters are entered into drawings at National for gift cards and other rewards, so help spread the word and recruit some members to the Des Moines Chapter!
- Recruit Student Members – our goal is to have 3 student members sign up this year. Student Memberships are free, so help us spread the word!
- Webinars and Educational Events – our goal is to achieve an average of 20 or more attendees.
- CGFM Designation – our goal is to help one member earn their CGFM during the program year. Let us know if you are interested in pursuing the CGFM as our Chapter does offer scholarships to help offset some of the costs!

The February 1st Pulse Check was completed and the Des Moines Chapter is on track to receive the Silver ACE Award for 2022-2023.

**CGFM Corner, Pam Sullivan**

Challenge yourself in 2023 by considering CGFM. Candidates must apply for CGFM. Here’s why you should consider enrolling and completing CGFM Certification: the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) is a professional certification awarded by AGA, which demonstrates competency in governmental accounting, auditing, financial reporting, internal controls and budgeting at the federal, state and local levels. CGFM is a respected credential that recognizes the knowledge and experience needed to be an effective government financial manager. Having a CGFM allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field. CGFM distinguishes individuals who have a significant commitment to their professional development with an increased knowledge of government financial management, better understanding of the big picture of government and greater confidence of the job.

- If you’re a Chapter Member you can be reimbursed up to \$100 per exam upon successfully passing the respective exam.
- If you’re a Chapter Member who applies to the CGFM program while actively serving on the Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) you will be reimbursed the CGFM application fee. Also, as a CEC member upon successfully passing a respective exam you shall be reimbursed the full cost of the exam.
- The CEC is always looking for Chapter Members to serve on the CEC and there’s clearly an incentive if you’re considering the CGFM.
- Study guides (CGFM) are available at the State Library for members to check out.



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**EMPLOYMENT REFERRAL ANOTHER SERVICE TO AGA MEMBERS**

Did you know that the National Office operates an Employment Referral Service solely for the benefit of Association members and chapters had an Chapter Employment Referral Service Coordinator? This service has been operating for several years and has assisted numerous Association members in identifying available financial management career opportunities. Here is how it works:

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Some employers ask the Association to provide resumes on candidates for financial management careers. To support these requests, the National Office maintains files of resumes from interested members. If you would like to participate in this aspect of the Employment Referral Service, request the Association's ERS resume form from your Chapter ERS Coordinator.



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Webinar  
Leadership & Team  
Building  
FREE Members Only  
(Individual Webinar)

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Fraud/Data Analytics  
(Individual Webinar In  
Person)

### May 24, 2023

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
Leadership  
(Individual Webinar)

### June 7, 2023

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Topic: TBD  
FREE Members Only  
(Individual Webinar)

## **President's Message – April 2023**

Hello Everyone!

We had a fantastic spring conference on April 13. The day began with Lisa Parker, GASB Senior Project Manager, presenting on GASB Updates. Mary Neubauer, Vice President of the Iowa Lottery External Relations Office, explained the history of the Iowa lottery. Lance Noe, Director Center for Professional Studies, Drake University Zimpleman College of Business, spoke on Ethics. Gregory Samorajski, CEO of IPERS, gave an overview of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System. And AJ Mumm, Director of the Polk County Emergency Management Commission, explained the role of the Management Commission during an emergency. Thank you to all the Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) members for your hard work in organizing such a great day.

Speaking of the CEC I would like to welcome Abdisamat Aden to the 2023-2024 CEC. Welcome! Abdisamat has volunteered to serve as the Membership Director for the upcoming program year. If you are interested in serving on the CEC please contact Kaylynn Short, [kaylynn.short@iowapbs.org](mailto:kaylynn.short@iowapbs.org) or Terri Walker, [terri.walker@iowa.gov](mailto:terri.walker@iowa.gov).

Thank you for your support of the Des Moines Chapter.

Terri R Walker, CPM  
Chapter President



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### CGFM Corner, Pam Sullivan

If you attended the Spring Seminar in person you could see on the name tags the number of CGFM members of the Des Moines Chapter (23 members in Iowa). Certification is a great way to demonstrate your commitment to the profession and a potential new and exciting opportunity. The study guides are offered at the state library for check out. Are you ready for a new challenge?

What are the Qualifications for the CGFM?

“Education Requirement. A bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university is required to take any of the CGFM examinations.

“Experience Requirement. CGFM candidates must have at least two years of experience in government financial management prior to designation as a CGFM. Experience is not necessary to sit for the exams; however, documentation of professional experience must be filed and approved by AGA before the CGFM designation can be granted.

For more information, and to apply, visit [here](#).

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### Treasurer’s Report, Mihneta Lisinovic



#### AGA-Des Moines Chapter Balance Sheet As of March 31, 2023

<b>Assets</b>	
Checking	16,693.02
Less: Outstanding Items	-
Petty Cash	-
Savings	1,241.65
PayPal	10,679.13
Certificate of Deposit	-
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>28,613.80</b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	
Equity-Unreserved	28,613.80
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>28,613.80</b>

#### AGA - Des Moines Chapter Operating Statement for the Period Ended March 31, 2023 For the Year Ending June 30, 2023

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
<b>Revenues/Receipts</b>			
Interest	0.50	146.00%	0.73
Membership Fees	350.00	20.00%	70.00
Webinar Revenues	6,300.00	53.52%	3,372.00
Spring Conference Revenues	10,850.00	95.78%	10,392.00
Donations	1,200.00	40.00%	480.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>18,700.50</b>		<b>14,314.73</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Webinar Expenses	5,167.00	74.93%	3,871.74
Spring Conference Expenses	8,633.50	39.10%	3,375.41
Postage & Supplies	200.00	94.00%	188.00
National PDT	1,990.00	0.00%	-
LEAD!	-	0.00%	-
CGFM Scholarships	400.00	0.00%	-
CGFM Study Guides	-	0.00%	-
Member Incentives	175.00	14.29%	25.00
Donations	1,800.00	29.80%	536.46
Insurance	325.00	100.00%	325.00
Miscellaneous	10.00	0.00%	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>18,700.50</b>		<b>8,321.61</b>
Rev over (under) Exp	-		5,993.12
Beginning Balance July 1, 2022			22,620.68
Ending Balance March 31, 2023			28,613.80

**Historian’s Corner, Janice Evans:**

Do you remember when the Government Accounting Standards Board approved GASB Statement 34, Basic Financial Statements—and Management’s Discussion and Analysis—for State and Local Governments and all-day training sessions were offered to learn about it? This standard was implemented in phases starting with the highest annual revenue governments, in years beginning after June 15, 2001, 2002, and 2003. The following are from the Des Moines AGA Ledger Newsletters noted.



- April 2000 - Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 Implementation, A Nationwide Teleconference Presentation. May 3 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., STARC Armory, Johnston, Iowa. GASB will introduce their Implementation Guide to Statement #34 at this event, which was sponsored by AGA and NASACT and hosted by Des Moines AGA.
- April 2001 - Des Moines AGA Chapter and Office of Auditor of State are hosting the second interactive "live" teleconference on GASB 34 implementation on May 9, 2001 at Stare Armory in the Johnston/Camp Dodge area. This seminar will offer 8 CPE hours. As a special bonus, AICPA's Audit Guide will be mailed to each registrant after the event. Topics covered are Overview of Implementation Issues; General Asset Accounting Reporting, Infrastructure Accounting & Reporting, Preparation of Net Assets Statement of Activities, AICPA Audit Guide, and Question & Answer Session.

One of the current GASB projects is a re-examination of the reporting model. The background information for the current project indicated that Statement 34 was the culmination of 15 years of research, deliberation, and due process.



**Community Service for FY2022-2023:**

- September - October:** Iowa Remembers, Inc.
- November-December:** National Alliance on Mental Illness
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- You can enroll to auto-renew your membership! The option will be available at check out. Be sure to opt-in!
- **Make sure your contact information is up to date.** Are you still working from home? Back in the office? Make sure the address in your profile matches where you are, and remind your chapter members to do the same!

**Membership Corner, Terri Walker:**

**Members can earn points as follows:**

- 35 points—attend a webinar
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- 15 points—community service event (participation or donation per event)
- 10 points—for each guest you bring to a (LNL)

**Current Top Point Leaders 2022-2023:**

- Janice Evans – 400 points
- Angela James – 265 points
- Kimberly Knight—225 points
- Abdisamat Aden—210 points
- Kathleen Barger—210 points
- Jonathan Mader – 210 points
- Deborah Moser – 210 points



**Training Calendar:**

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**Community Service, Anieta O'Hair**

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We presented the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital with \$310 at the spring conference. The U of I Stead Family Children's Hospital is dedicated to meeting the health care needs of children and families. Services range from promoting wellness to the care of general childhood illness, surgery, traumatic injuries, life-threatening and chronic illnesses, and developmental disabilities. As part of an academic medical center, UI Stead Family Children's Hospital also performs groundbreaking research to help solve the mysteries of childhood diseases, in addition to training the next generation of health care professionals.



We just completed the campaign for the Autism Society of Iowa. The Autism Society of Iowa is an integral part and affiliate of a nationwide association, the Autism Society, which has provided accurate information about autism since its inception in the early 70's. Their mission is to provide advocacy, support and information to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders, their families, professionals, and communities throughout the state of Iowa. The Autism Society of Iowa is an integral part and affiliate of a nationwide association, the Autism Society, which has provided accurate information about autism since its inception in the early 70's. Their mission is to provide advocacy, support and information to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders, their families, professionals, and communities throughout the state of Iowa.



Our upcoming community service events for the month of April will be the Animal Rescue League and for May/June will be the Special Olympics of Iowa.



Thank you to everyone who has participated thus far in our fundraising efforts!

Anieta O'Hair  
Community Services Director

**Citizen Centric & Chapter History Reports:**

The Des Moines Chapter Citizen-Centric Report (CCR) and the Chapter History Report are now available on the chapter's website. Click on the report for a link to the website.

On September 30, 2021 the 2020-2021 Citizen Centric Report (CCR) for the Des Moines chapter was published and submitted to the national office. On Friday October 1, 2021 it was posted to our chapter's web-

## Upcoming Events

### July 13, 2023

1:00-3:00 NASACT  
Webinar GASB Review  
2023  
(Individual Webinar)

AGA Webinars will resume after the summer vacation schedule. Your CEC is looking at ways for a return to in-person Lunch 'n Learns and other educational events for the 2023-2024 session.

Enjoy your summer—Go Wild! Act as though no one's watching—but wear sunscreen.

### September 27, 2023

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
Communications

### October 11, 2023

1:00-2:50 AGA Webinar  
FREE Members Only  
(Individual Webinar)



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## **President's Message – June 2023**

I want to thank everyone who served on the 2022-2023 Chapter Executive Committee (CEC). We had a great year hosting a second successful hybrid spring conference, 2 in person Lunch 'n Learns, and many other training opportunities.

I am looking forward to serving as both the Chapter's Representative on the National Council of Chapters (NCC) and the Webmaster in the upcoming program year. As always, if you are interested in serving on the CEC please contact Kaylynn Short, [kaylynn.short@iowapbs.org](mailto:kaylynn.short@iowapbs.org) or Terri Walker, [terri.walker@iowa.gov](mailto:terri.walker@iowa.gov).

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## CGFM Corner, Pam Sullivan

Did you need an incentive to sign up for CGFM? The DM Chapter has an electronic CGFM Study Guide. If you sign up for CGFM now, you have an opportunity to win the study guides free (value is \$250).

Here's more:

If you're a Chapter Member you can be reimbursed up to \$100 per exam upon successfully passing the respective exam.

If you're a Chapter Member who applies to the CGFM program while actively serving on the Chapter Executive Committee (CEC) you will be reimbursed the CGFM application fee. Also, as a CEC member upon successfully passing a respective exam you shall be reimbursed the full cost of the exam.

What are you waiting for?

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Checking	22,220.96
Less: Outstanding Items	-
Petty Cash	-
Savings	1,241.96
PayPal	842.87
Certificate of Deposit	-
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>24,305.79</b>
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Spring Conference Revenues	10,850.00	113.73%	12,340.00
Donations	1,200.00	46.25%	555.00
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Beginning Balance July 1, 2022			22,620.68
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**Historian’s Corner, Janice Evans:**

Do you remember when 41 of 52 chapter members had professional certifications? The following statistical information regarding Des Moines Chapter members is from the May 1996 Des Moines AGA Chapter Newsletter.



On January 31, 1996, the Des Moines Chapter had 52 members. The following number of members have earned either single or multiple professional certifications:

- 2 - CIA only
- 3 - CGFM only
- 18 - CPA only
- 1 - CPA & CIA
- 1 - CPA & CMA
- 14 - CPA & CGFM
- 1 - CPA, CGFM, & CIA
- 1 - CPA, CGFM, & CMA

As of March 22, 1996, there were 42 CGFM certificates awarded to residents in the state of Iowa. These CGFMs were grandfathered in, so became CGFMs without taking any exams.

As of May 2023, the 66 Des Moines Chapter members included 28 CGFMs or retired CGFMs, 13 CPAs and 1 CPM. However, not all CPAs were identified as such, so check your member profile to ensure all certifications are included.



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- Michelle Wendel – 265 points



**Welcome New Members:**

Regina Kling-Navratil, State of Iowa



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Special Olympics is Iowa's largest sports organization for people with intellectual disabilities (ID). But for every person we're able to support, there are still 13 others in the U.S. who are waiting on the sidelines.

Since 1968, Special Olympics Iowa has been a statewide movement that unleashes the human spirit through the transformative power and joy of sports. Using sports as the catalyst, and including programming on health, leadership and education, Special Olympics is fighting inactivity, injustice and intolerance. As a result, people with intellectual disabilities become accepted and valued members of their communities, which leads to a more respectful and inclusive society for all. Special Olympics athletes carry these benefits into their daily lives at home, in the classroom, on the job and in the community. For athletes, Special Olympics provides a gateway to empowerment, competence, acceptance and joy. The Special Olympics of Iowa will also be an upcoming community service event for the 2023-2024 year.

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