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President's Message

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UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monthly Meeting
Senator Inn
January 14, 2020**

**Webinar
GASB Update
February 5, 2020**

Are you using social media? The Maine Chapter AGA invites to you like us on Facebook.



Chapter Website:

www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/

Greetings!

Welcome to not only a new year, but a new decade...2020! This is a great opportunity to consider new possibilities. What new things would you like to finally learn to do? What education will you need to proceed? Take this time to re-evaluate where you are and what you want. It's never too late to start something new. This could be the year that everything changes for you. Chin up and think big!

If you are considering a big leap, how about getting your CGFM certification? The CGFM credential allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field. For more information, please contact our CGFM chair, Sarah Gove, or visit our website at: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine-Chapter/CGFM-Certification.aspx>.

We will be collecting items at our January meeting for the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter. Please see page 3 for more details. All items are welcomed and appreciated.

The next webinar will be held on February 5th and it will be regarding the GASB Update. Please contact our Education chair, Jennifer Foster, for more information. You can also visit our website at: <https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine-Chapter/Training-Events/Event-Calendar.aspx>.

Let us brush off the old and invite in a new and bright future!

Regards,

Angela

Angela L. Dickinson

President, AGA Maine Chapter





AGA MAINE CHAPTER

For our January meeting we are pleased to have Erik Gunderson, Director of the Office of Marijuana Policy. Erik will will present on Maine's Medical and Adult Use Marijuana Programs.

NEW ENGLAND REGION AGA

The Aroostook Chapter CEC meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month. General meetings are held as necessary.

The Boston Chapter holds monthly meetings and trainings September through June.

AGA NATIONAL

AGA's CGFM Intensive Review Course (IRC), with CGFM examinations included

The next IRC, offering up to 18 CPEs, will be held in Alexandria, VA, January 30-31, 2020. The class will run 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. both days. CGFM examination vouchers are offered at no additional cost to course attendees — a \$375 savings!

Date: January 30 - 31, 2020 **Location:** Alexandria, VA

<https://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/Candidates/Preparing-for-Exams/CGFM-Intensive-Review-Course-Exams.aspx>



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

CGFM Benefits:

Being a CGFM allows you to expand your career opportunities and distinguishes you from others in your field. Website for more information:

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

How do you become a CGFM?

To earn the CGFM, you must fill out an online application and meet the following requirements:

- >Ethics — read and 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-level experience in government financial management



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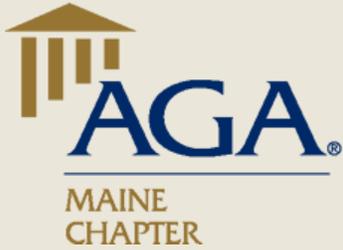
- Thank you to all who responded to the recent AGA Maine Chapter Survey!

- Do you have an idea for an upcoming speaker? Please contact a CEC member. Your insight to help the Chapter is welcome.



TRIVIA

According to statistics, how many people actually follow through and accomplish their New Year's resolutions?



Community
Service
Opportunities

*"The manner of giving
is worth more than the
gift"*

~Pierre Corneille



The AGA Maine Chapter December/January Fundraiser

We are collecting items for the Mid Maine Homeless Shelter.
Please bring your donated items to the January AGA meeting.

OUR WISH LIST

Shelter Needs:

- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Disinfecting Wipes
- HE Laundry Pods
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Kitchen Trash Bags
- 33 gallon Trash Bags
- Diapers size 4-5-6
- Baby Wipes
- Regular size shampoo
- Regular size conditioner
- Flips Flops for shower shoes

Food Pantry Needs:

- Canned fruits & veg
- Canned soup
- Healthy snacks
- Milk
- Bread
- Eggs
- Coffee
- Creamer
- Sugar
- Drink Mixes
- Tuna Fish
- Peanut Butter

Gift Card Needs:

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| Boucher's, Emery's and Joseph's for meat packages | | |
| Walmart | Hannaford | Shaw's |
| Dollar Tree | Bath & Body | Dairy Queen |
| Taco Bell | Wendy's | Flagship |
| Gas Cards | Dollar General | Burger King |

If you have any questions or would like to make a monetary donation, please contact Heidi Ellis, Director of Community Service at (207) 287-1841.

Thank you for your support!

JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING

For January, the Maine Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants monthly meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the month, January 14th, at the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Our guest speaker will be Erik Gunderson, Director of the Office of Marijuana Policy. Erik will present on Maine's Medical and Adult Use Marijuana Programs, including: oversight, taxes, local control, data warehouse and what's next for marijuana in Maine.

The lunch menu will consist of Garden Salad, Roast Stuffed Pork w/ Stuffing, Potato & Vegetable.

PAST MEETING RECAP

On December 11, 2019, the Maine Chapter of the AGA met at the Maine Ice Vault in Hallowell.

Chapter President Angela Dickinson welcomed the Chapter. After lunch, State Controller Douglas Cotnoir introduced our speaker, Jeff Jordan, DAFS Director of Enterprise Data Services.

Jeff's presentation was on Oracle Analytics in the State of Maine.



TRIVIA ANSWER:

Studies have shown that less than 25% of people stay committed to their resolutions after just 30 days, and only 8% actually accomplish them.

OUR CEC

For more information, visit our website:
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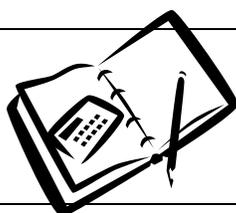
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Maine Chapter AGA Treasurer's Report as of 12/31/2019

ASSETS		
	AGA Cash	\$40.00
Cash and Bank Accounts	AGA Checking	\$0.00
	AGA Savings-Share Account	\$8,864.04
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		\$8,904.04
Other Assets	Customer Invoices	\$238.00
Total Other Assets		\$238.00
Total Assets		\$9,142.04
LIABILITIES		
Other Liabilities	Business Bills - Senator Inn	\$361.00
Total Other Liabilities		\$45.00
Total Liabilities		<u>\$406.00</u>
Overall Total		<u>\$8,736.04</u>



Maine Chapter AGA Income Statement as of 12/31/2019

INCOME	
Dividend Income	\$5.63
Education—Webinars	\$2,108.00
Charity	\$45.00
Membership Income from National	\$360.00
Monthly Meetings	\$1,955.00
Other Income—50/50	\$64.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$4,537.63
EXPENSES	
Awards	\$0.00
Charity	\$0.00
Education—Webinars	\$1,888.00
Gifts Given	\$62.90
Membership Recruitment	\$0.00
Monthly Meetings	\$3,539.80
Travel for National Speaker	\$0.00
Service Fee	\$2.00
Other Misc (postage)	\$11.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,503.70
NET INCOME/LOSS	(\$966.07)