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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monthly Meeting**  
**Senator Inn**  
**Nov. 12, 2019**

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



Chapter Website:

[www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/](http://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/)

## President's Message

We are getting into that season where food is on the minds of many. This time of year can be so challenging for some. With the holidays around the corner and with thoughts of giving, please consider donating to the Augusta Food Bank to assist those have brighter days. We are accepting non-perishable food items at the November 12th Chapter meeting. If you still want to donate afterwards, we are more than willing to accept any donations regardless of time.

As we honor our Veterans this month, let's reflect on the many remarkable and unimaginable sacrifices that have been made by our military personnel and their families. As we become accustomed to thanking them, let's be extra diligent in showing our gratitude not only during the Veteran's Day holiday, but throughout the days and years to follow. And, to all of our AGA Veterans, thank you for your service.

Just a reminder that the survey has been sent out to members from the Gmail account. If you haven't seen the email, please check your junk or spam folders. We appreciate your participation.

Regards and Best Wishes,

*Angela*

Angela L. Dickinson

President, AGA Maine Chapter



# November





## AGA MAINE CHAPTER

We are pleased to have Amanda Rector, Maine State Economist, speak at our upcoming November meeting. Included in her presentation will be the State's most recent Economic Forecast.

## 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

### *Shared Services Summit 2019*



SHARED  
SERVICES  
SUMMIT 2019

Three reasons you should attend:

- Earn up to 8 CPE hours
- Learn about the opportunities and challenges in sustaining progress in shared-services implementation
- Network and connect

**Date:** November 14, 2019 **Location:** Washington, D.C.

<https://www.agacgfm.org/SSS/SSS-Home.aspx>

### *2019 is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year for AGA's CGFM certification!*

 **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



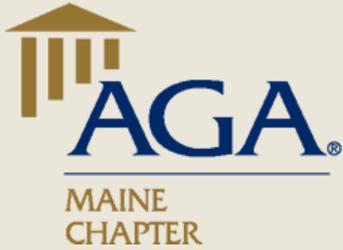
## NOTICES...

- **Your feedback is needed!**  
There is still plenty of time to complete the Maine Chapter AGA survey. Thank you to all who have already responded!
- Do you have an idea for an upcoming speaker? Please contact a CEC member. Your insight to help the Chapter is welcome.



## TRIVIA

What meat did Native Americans bring to the first Thanksgiving?



**Community  
Service  
Opportunities**

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*“Not what we say about  
our blessings, but how  
we use them, is the true  
measure of our  
thanksgiving.”*

*— W.T. Purkiser*

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Our Oct-Nov community service event is collecting pantry items for the Augusta Food Bank. You can help fill the pantry shelves by donating the following items:



- Peanut Butter**
- Canned Soup**
- Tuna**
- Salmon**
- Canned Chicken**
- Baked Beans**
- Hot Cereal**
- Cold Cereal**
- Boxed Macaroni & Cheese**
- Dry Pasta**
- Pasta Sauce**
- White Rice**
- Brown Rice**
- Canned Beans**
- Canned Vegetables**
- Canned Fruit**



We have been given permission to put collection boxes in our work locations. Please bring your items to our November AGA meeting.

Heidi Ellis

**Thank you for your support!**

## NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

The Maine Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12th, at the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Our guest speaker will be Amanda Rector, State Economist. She will be discussing trends in Maine's demographics and workforce, along with the outlook for Maine's economy.

The lunch menu will consist of Caesar Salad, Meat Lasagna, with Broccoli and Garlic Bread.

## PAST MEETING RECAP

On October 8, 2019, the Maine Chapter of the AGA met at the Senator Inn in Augusta.

Chapter President Angela Dickinson welcomed the Chapter and introduced our speaker, David Leach, MPA, Principal Examiner at the Maine Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection .

David's captivating presentation was about his New Homeowner Anti-Scam Advisor publication. He supplied all attendees with a copy of the publication as well.

As always, David had numerous tips on how to protect yourself from scams, such as freezing your credit.



### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Deer (venison)

Once they arrived to the harvest celebration, some of the Native Americans went out hunting and brought back five deer to give to the governor, William Bradford, and to others.

## OUR CEC

For more information, visit our website:  
[www.agacgm.org/Chapters/Maine/](http://www.agacgm.org/Chapters/Maine/)

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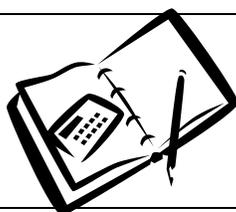
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<b>Maine Chapter AGA Treasurer's Report as of 9/30/2019</b>		
<b>ASSETS</b>		
	AGA Cash	\$40.00
Cash and Bank Accounts	AGA Checking	\$56.52
	AGA Savings-Share Account	\$7,671.52
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		\$7,768.04
Other Assets	Customer Invoices	\$560.00
Total Other Assets		\$560.00
Total Assets		\$8,328.04
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Other Liabilities	Business Bills - Senator Inn	\$0.00
Total Other Liabilities		\$181.52
Total Liabilities		<u>\$181.52</u>
<b>Overall Total</b>		<b><u>\$8,146.52</u></b>



<b>Maine Chapter AGA Income Statement as of 9/30/2019</b>		
<b>INCOME</b>		
Dividend Income		\$3.35
Education—Webinars		\$0.00
Charity		\$0.00
Membership Income from National		\$360.00
Monthly Meetings		\$136.00
Other Income—50/50		\$14.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$513.35</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Awards		\$0.00
Charity		\$0.00
Education—Webinars		\$1,888.00
Gifts Given		\$0.00
Membership Recruitment		\$0.00
Monthly Meetings		\$584.24
Travel for National Speaker		\$0.00
Service Fee		\$2.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$2,474.24</b>
<b>NET INCOME/LOSS</b>		<b>(\$1,960.89)</b>