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President's Message

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Happy Spring everyone!

As we are nearing the end of this program year, it is time to elect the new batch of CEC members. We have received some nominations for positions, but some are still available. A key to being a thriving organization is our Chapter leadership. We really need your help to make our Chapter a successful one! Every one of us is busy, but we can do this together, and have some fun along the way!

We have been doing very well with our Community Service projects this year and I want to thank all of you who have taken the time to donate to the wonderful causes that help our communities. Please note that we will continue taking collections for the Family Violence Project at the April meeting, and are excited to work for the first time with Make-A-Wish Maine for April and May!

There are still some educational opportunities to take advantage of CPEs as well. Please contact Elise Jordans for details.

DATA ACT – 04/24/2019

Fraud/Data Analytics – 05/15/2019

Leadership – 06/12/2019

Coming up for our April meeting, we are pleased to have Lisa Parker, CPA, CGMA a Senior Project Manager with GASB, presenting updates. I hope you all can attend!

Best,

Angela Dickinson

Maine AGA Chapter President



**It's time to vote for
your next CEC Board!**

**See Page 5 for open
positions.**

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



Chapter Website:

www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/Maine/





AGA MAINE CHAPTER

There was no speaker available for the March luncheon meeting due to last-minute speaker scheduling conflicts. Unfortunately, it was necessary to cancel the March meeting.

NEW ENGLAND REGION AGA

The Aroostook Chapter holds 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

2019 Enterprise Risk Management Workshop

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

The purpose of the workshop is to provide participants with practical insight and tools to help to continue to build out Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) and to use ERM to drive real and sustainable organizational value.

2019 is the 25th 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...

- Do you have an idea for an upcoming speaker? Please contact a CEC member. Your insight to help the Chapter is welcome.
- Are you interested in joining the CEC? We have positions available. We are always looking for new ideas.



TAX SEASON TRIVIA

What fruit grown in Maine
is subject to a one-and-a-
half-cents-per-pound tax?



**Community
Service
Opportunities**

*"Giving is not just
about making a dona-
tion. It is about making
a difference."
~Kathy Calvin*



The March Maine Chapter of the AGA monthly meeting was cancelled, so we will be collecting items needed for the Family Violence Project in Augusta at our April meeting.

- diapers
- baby wipes
- sheets
- blankets
- pillows
- towels
- laundry detergent
- household cleaning supplies
- personal care items (soap, shampoo, feminine products)
- alarm clocks
- cookware & silver ware
- cooking utensils
- school supplies
- backpacks
- gift cards for food or clothing
- gift cards for gas
- prepaid phone cards
- clean, gently used furniture



Our Charity event for March-May is collecting items needed for the Wish Closet at Make-A-Wish Maine.

See the next page for the list of items to contribute.

We hope to collect items until our May meeting. Please get as many people in your office involved with donating by putting a collection box, or boxes, in an appropriate place in your office. Please be sure to follow office policy. Donated items may be delivered to the April or May meeting for distribution to Make-A-Wish Maine.

Make-A-Wish Maine provides "travel bags" filled with all kinds of fun things for all wish children and their siblings who are going on travel related wishes.

AND, since travel related wishes make up about 70% of the wishes that are granted every year...that's a lot of goodies needed to put inside! Below are some examples of the types of items needed, basically anything fun to keep kids occupied while waiting in airports or to occupy their time while in the air.

- **Backpacks (Any size, with or without characters. Anything helps)**
- **Disposable cameras (including underwater cameras)**
- **Travel/ handheld games**
- **Autograph books**
- **Notebooks and notepads**
- **Tween/teen books and magazines**
- **Phone cards (for international travel)**
- **Gift cards (\$5, \$10, or \$15 increments)**
- **Makeup bags**
- **Small travel sized sunscreen, hair products, body wash, toothpaste, tooth brushes (all ages),**
- **baby wipes, etc.**
- **Disney princess or Superhero items**
- **Sports items (local or regional teams especially)**
- **Small toys for children 5 and under**
- **Coloring books**
- **Cards and card games**
- **Water bottles**
- **Beach Towels**
- **Photo albums**
- **Anything for the TEEN age group**



APRIL MONTHLY MEETING

The Maine Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants' monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, **April 9th** at the Senator Inn.

Our guest speaker will be Lisa Parker, CPA, CGMA - Senior Project Manager GASB. Lisa will be speaking about GASB updates.

The menu will consist of Soup of the Day, Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad and Strawberry Shortcake.

We are gathering nominations for Chapter Executive positions. Are you interested in volunteering for an AGA office? Nominations will be held next week at our meeting and we will vote for those nominated at our final meeting of the year.

2018-2019 CEC Board Open Positions:

- **President-Elect** (1 Year Term)
- **Secretary** (1 Year Term)
- **Treasurer** (1 Year Term)
- **Director of Awards** (2 Year Term)
- **Director of Bylaws** (2 Year Term)
- **Director of Communications** (2 Year Term)
- **Director of Early Careers** (2 Year Term)
- **Director of Education** (2 Year Term)
- **Director of Programs & Technical Meetings** (2 Year Term)



TRIVIA ANSWER:

Blueberries. Maine produces 99 percent of the wild blueberries in the United States. The tax revenue helps Maine stay competitive among a growing market of commercial blueberry suppliers.

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For more information, visit our website:

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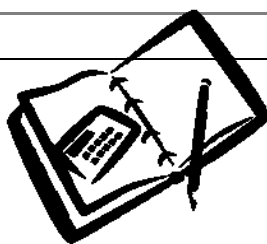
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Maine Chapter AGA Treasurer's Report as of 03/25/2019

ASSETS		
Cash and Bank Accounts	AGA Cash	\$40.00
	AGA Checking	\$77.56
	AGA Savings-Share Account	\$8,103.43
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		\$8,220.39
Other Assets	Customer Invoices	\$588.00
Total Other Assets		\$588.00
Total Assets		\$8,808.99
LIABILITIES		
Other Liabilities	Sales Tax & Business Bills	\$0.00
Total Other Liabilities		\$0.00
Total Liabilities		<u>\$0.00</u>
Overall Total		<u>\$8,808.99</u>



Maine Chapter AGA Income Statement as of 03/25/2019

INCOME	
Dividend Income	\$7.53
Education—Webinars	\$2,470.00
Charity	\$142.00
Lunch n Learns	\$20.00
Membership Income from National	\$449.17
Monthly Meetings	\$3,570.00
Other Income—50/50	\$121.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$6,779.70
EXPENSES	
Charity	\$122.00
Education—Webinars	\$1,720.00
Gifts Given	\$110.86
Membership Recruitment	\$0.00
Monthly Meetings	\$4,144.53
Legal Prof Fees—Annual Reporting Filing	\$35.00
Utilities—Internet	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,132.39
NET INCOME/LOSS	\$647.31