

October —  
December 2016

# AGA Charleston Newsletter

## President's Message

As we approach a new calendar year, I feel extremely proud of our chapter's accomplishments in 2016. We have received an abundance of positive feedback regarding our first annual Professional Development Training (PDT). Over 90 government financial management professionals attended the event. The PDT provided valuable training, 7 CPE credits and networking with industry professionals from the U.S. Department of State, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC), SPAWAR, SC Dept. of Education, The Citadel, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and private contracting companies. I am pleased that our chapter has joined the ranks of the other successful AGA chapters that hold these training events.

My anticipation is that the PDT will be a stepping stone to greater successes for AGA Charleston. The possibilities are vast, and I encourage you to take a role in propelling the chapter to the next level!

As your current Chapter President, I am available to answer any questions or discuss any ideas you may have to improve our chapter's success. Contact information for all of our Chapter Directors can be found in this newsletter or by visiting the chapter's website. I look forward to collaborating with you all in 2017!

**Sheena Kennedy, CMA, CGFM**  
Chapter President



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### Join us on LinkedIn!

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=5127400>

Connect with the AGA Charleston Chapter on LinkedIn! The page is designed to keep chapter members connected, and to provide a platform to share ideas and information.

### Chapter Website - Homepage is active and updated regularly!

<https://www.agacgfm.org/Chapters/CharlestonSC>

Visit our webpage for all educational and member information. This is the one stop connection for all things AGA Charleston.





## Welcome New Members!

We are pleased to introduce the following new members who have joined AGA Charleston Chapter!

### September

Shana Gunter  
Rebecca Helms

### October

Erin Newberry  
Courtney Lawrence

### November

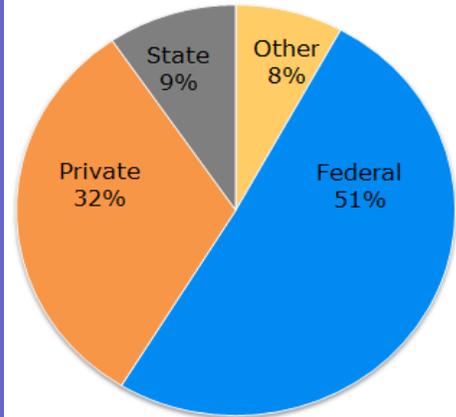
Jessica Heyward  
Richard Timmons

### December

Kevin Pickering  
Landon Jackson

### OUR MEMBERS

The AGA Charleston, SC chapter currently has 63 members. Our members hold titles such as Accountant, Consultant, Budget Analyst, Managing Director, Chief Financial Officer, Auditor and Controller. Our members are employed by government organizations throughout the Charleston area, including the U.S. Department of State, The Citadel, MIL Corporation, CGI Federal, Haynes Incorporated, and Army Corps of Engineers.



## Membership Benefit Opportunities

### Upcoming Webinars:

- GASB | Feb. 8, 2017
- Fraud/Risk | Feb. 22, 2017
- Uniform Guidance | March 8, 2017
- CFO/CIO Collaboration | March 29, 2017
- Ethics | April 12, 2017
- Getting Your Dollars to Work Harder: Blended and Braided Funding | April 26, 2017
- DATA Act | May 17, 2017



**Virtual Events** – AGA National offers virtual attendance for many of its national events. Virtual attendance allows those with limited travel budgets to participate and earn CPE.

### Upcoming Virtual Events

#### Financial Systems Summit

Jan. 19 | 6 CPEs

#### Professional Development Training

July 17–20 | 24 CPEs

#### National Leadership Training

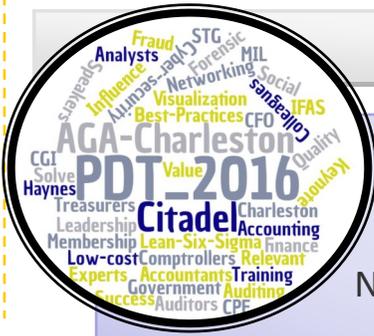
Feb. 23–24 | 14 CPEs

#### Internal Control & Fraud Prevention Training

Sept. 20–21 | 14 CPEs



## Education



## First Annual AGA Charleston Professional Development Training (PDT)

November 17, 2016 @ The Citadel, Charleston, SC

Thanks to all who contributed to a successful first annual PDT! Over 90 government financial management professionals attended the event. The PDT provided valuable training, 7 CPE credits and networking with industry professionals from the U.S. Department of State, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC), SPAWAR, SC Dept. of Education, The Citadel, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and private contracting companies.



Megan Jones, Sheena Kennedy, Ward Logan



PDT Attendees



Doug Glenn



Sheena Kennedy, Sarah Mollohan, Deanna Wilson, Georgia Middleton, Julie Starkweather

## PDT Speakers

Thank you to our excellent PDT speakers:

- Doug Glenn, AGA National President and Deputy CFO, U.S. Dept. of Interior
- Chip Fulghum, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and CFO, Dept. of Homeland Security
- Colonel Joseph Garcia, Vice President for Finance, The Citadel
- Ed Lugo, Visiting Professor, Department of Criminal Justice - The Citadel, U.S. Secret Service - Special Agent In Charge – Retired
- Dr. Ben Dean, Director of Leadership Studies, The Citadel
- Dr. Charles Skipper, Department of Engineering Leadership & Program Management, The Citadel
- Jennifer Crawford, Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt
- Dr. Shankar Banik, Math and Computer Science Department, The Citadel

## Community Services



### Race for a Cure

On October 15th, AGA Charleston accepted the challenge to participate in the Komen Lowcountry Race for the Cure and raise funds in support of Komen's vision of a world without breast cancer!

Thank you AGA members who participated in the event and to those who made donations.



Photo from left to right:  
Colleen Bridges, Stacy Johnson, Sarah Mollohan, Sheena Kennedy, Laurel Sutton, and friends and family.

### AGA Basket for Combined Federal Campaign Silent Auction



AGA donated a gift basket as part of the 2016 Combined Federal Campaign. The theme this year was "Game Night" and the basket included fun games for all ages. All money raised from the Silent Auction are donated to the Trident United Way as a contribution from GFSC. This is the 4th annual CFC Campaign in which AGA Charleston has participated.

### Carolina Youth Development Center (CYDC) Christmas Party 2016



For the 3rd year, AGA funds and member volunteers helped the CYDC provide a fun filled Christmas celebration for the kids. Food, presents, and crafts brought smiles and laughter to all who attended. Thank you everyone who donated their time and money in making this happen.

For more information on CYDC: [www.cydc.org](http://www.cydc.org)

## Treasurer's Report

### AGA Charleston SC Chapter Treasurer's Report November 30, 2016

<i>Beginning Balance April 1:</i>	\$	3,559
<i>Deposits:</i>		5,695
<i>Withdrawals:</i>		1,869
<i>Ending Balance November 30:</i>	<u>\$</u>	<u>7,384</u>
 <b>Account Balance</b>	 <b><u>\$ 7,384</u></b>	

AGA Charleston SC Chapter Profit and Loss Statement YTD as of November 30, 2016				
	September	October	November	Total YTD
<b>Revenue</b>				
Membership Dues	-	92		\$ 545
Corporate Sponsors	3,000	1,000	1,000	5,000.0
PDT Registration*			2,075	2,075.0
Non Member Events	-			-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>1,092</b>	<b>3,075</b>	<b>\$ 7,620</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
PDT Expenses*	-		3,658	3,658.3
Community Services	-	-	50	\$ 50
Post Office Box	-	86		\$ 86
Supplies	-			\$ -
IT Fees and Maintenance	-			-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>3,708</b>	<b>3,794</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>1,006</b>	<b>(633)</b>	<b>\$ 3,826</b>

\*November PDT revenues and expenses are based on estimates that must be confirmed by The Citadel. An additional \$2,025 in PDT revenue was received from the U.S. Dept. of State in December.

## CGFM

Interested in earning your Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) certification? Contact the CGFM Director Peg Kendra at [KendraPM@state.gov](mailto:KendraPM@state.gov).



Join the many members who have obtained their CGFM. Take advantage of potential study groups or offsite classes!

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Ward Logan, CGFM	The Citadel Military College of South Carolina
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Lynne Baronoff, CGFM-Retired, CPA	Retired
Peg Kendra, CGFM	The MIL Corporation
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Shari Clark, CGFM, CPA	U.S. Dept. of State
Sheena Kennedy, CGFM, CMA	The MIL Corporation
Stacy Johnson, CGFM	U.S. Dept. of State
Vicki Chupas, CGFM	Department of the Navy SPAWAR SSC Atlantic
Wilbur Spearin, CGFM-Retired	Retired



## Networking and Social Events

AGA was pleased to hold the following events for our members over the past quarter. Please feel free to attend the future social events. The more the merrier! Luncheons, social hour, and holiday celebrations allowed members to enjoy and learn more about each other.



Members joined for lunch at California Dreaming on October 27th.

A social event was held for Happy Hour following the PDT held by AGA Charleston on November 17th.



The Chapter held a Christmas dinner at the Kickin Chicken on December 8th.



## Additional News

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**Check it Out!**

Remember to login to our Chapter website and visit:

1. *My AGA > Profile* to check your email address and other contact information.
2. *Subscriptions* to sign up for the online or mailed Journal publication.
3. *Our Chapter* to learn of recent meetings, news, and accountability reports
4. *CGFM Certification*

**The Chapter is always looking for members to support our committees. If you are interested in joining a committee please contact any of the following executives or directors.**



**Happy New Year!** The Chapter would like to wish all of our members and their families a very safe and wonderful New Year.

The Chapter will begin its nomination process for the 2017-2018 program year. As a member, you can nominate for Executive and Director positions. The nominating committee includes the current President, President –Elect, and two past Presidents (to include the Immediate Past President). If you know of a member who has leadership qualities and would make a great addition to the Chapter Executive Committee, please let us know. The Nominating Committee should make selections before February 1, 2017.

## Chapter Executive Committee

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