

Des Moines AGA Chapter History Report

The following is a summary of the 2005-2006 Year of the Des Moines AGA Chapter:

Executive Committee:

- President – Michelle Wendel, CPA
- President Elect – Barb Gordon, CPA
- Past President – Marlene Dorenkamp, CPA, CGFM
- Secretary/Treasurer – Angela D. James, CPA
- Professional Certification – Su McCurdy
- Chapter Recognition – Barb Gordon, CPA
- By-Laws and Procedures – Janice Evans, CPA, CGFM
- Member Recognition – Susan Battani, CPA, CGFM
- Membership - Cheryl D. Mather, CPA, CGFM
- Programs and Technical Meetings – Andrew E. Nielsen, CPA, CGFM & Michael W. Sparks, CGFM
- Education – Stan Kuhn, CPA, CGFM
- Communications – Janice A. Jensen, CPA, CGFM
- Chapter Website – Marlene Dorenkamp, CPA
- Early Careers and Community Service – Rosemary Johnson, CPA
- Community Service – Suzanne Hanft, CPA, CGFM
- AICPA, GASB, FASB, NASB Liaison – Marlene Dorenkamp, CPA

Monthly Meetings (8 hours CPE Offered):

- September 6, 2005 at the Lucas State Office Building, State Auditor's Office Training Room. David Vaudt, State Auditor, spoke on "The State's Budget". (1 hour CPE)
- October 4, 2005 at Mezzodi's. Marvin Van Haaften, Office of Drug Control Policy, spoke on "Iowa's Drug War". (1 hour CPE)
- November 1, 2005, at the Lucas State Office Building, State Auditor's Office Training Room. Linda Dasher, Impressions, spoke on "Business Etiquette". (1 hour CPE)
- December 6, 2005, at the Lucas State Office Building, State Auditor's Office Training Room. William Schroeder, Board of Accountancy, spoke on "Professional Licensing, Ethics & CPE". (1 hour CPE)
- January 3, 2006, at the Cub Club. Donna Mueller, IPERS, spoke on "Retirement Planning and IPERS". (1 hour CPE)
- February 7, 2006, at the Cub Club. Terry Peter, Edward Jones, spoke on "The Almost Lost Art of Saving". A \$500 scholarship was also presented to a Grandview College Student. (1 hour CPE)
- March 7, 2006 at the Cub Club. Frank Faughn, AGA Midwest Regional Vice President, spoke on "AGA and CGFM Programs". (1 hour CPE) He also presented Marlene Dorenkamp with a special pin for passing the CGFM Exam and the chapter celebrated CGFM Month with a cake and state declaration
- April 4, 2006 at the Cub Club. Pam Woods, spoke on "Personal Organization". (1 hour CPE)

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Educational Seminars (hours CPE Offered):

- September 21, 2005 at Mercy Hospital. This educational event titled **Ethics – How it Impacts and Organization** provided 2 hours of CPE and was an audio conference hosted by the Des Moines AGA Chapter and jointly sponsored by National AGA, NASACT, and NALGA. Speakers were Leon Young, University of Maryland, and Scott Avelino, KPMG LLP
- December 7, 2005 at West Des Moines School District Learning Resource Center. This educational event titled **Catch ‘em if You Can** provided 3 hours of CPE. Speaker was Marshall Dias, U.S. Bank
- December 7, 2005 at West Des Moines School District Learning Resource Center. This educational event titled **Identity Theft – What is Being Done to Prevent It?** Provided 2 hours of CPE and was an audio conference hosted by the Des Moines AGA Chapter and jointly sponsored by National AGA, NASACT, and NALGA. Speakers were Kathy Buller, U.S. Social Security Administration, Naomi Lefkowitz, Federal Trade Commission, Alice Robinson, State of Ohio Attorney General’s Office.
- March 1, 2006, at the Department of Education, Grimes Building. This educational event titled **Implications of Sarbanes-Oxley for the Future of the Auditing Profession** provided 2 hours of CPE and was an audio conference hosted by the Des Moines AGA and jointly sponsored by National AGA, NASACT and NALGA. Speakers were R. Kinney Poynter, NASACT and Nancy A. Valley, KPMG LLP.
- April 19, 2006, at the Department of Education State, Grimes Building. This educational event titled **AICPA’s New Audit Standards** provided 2 hours of CPE and was an audio conference hosted by Des Moines AGA and jointly sponsored by National AGA, NASACT and NALGA. Speaker was Frank Crawford, Crawford & Associates
- May 10, 2006, at the Department of Education, Grimes Building. This educational event titled **Performance Auditing: Planning, Conducting, and Reporting Results in Today’s Environment** provided 2 hours of CPE and was an audio conference hosted by the Des Moines AGA and jointly sponsored by National AGA, NASACT and NALGA. Speakers were R. Kinney Drummand Kahn, City of Portland, Jerry Barber, New York State Office of the State Comptroller, and Pam Tumler, U. S. Government Accountability Office.
- May 17, 2006 at the Wallace State Office Building. This educational event titled **Service Efforts and Accomplishments Reporting and Related Topics** provided 4 hours of CPE. Speakers were Wilson Campbell, GASB, Mike Matthes, City of Des Moines, Mike Tramontina, Iowa Department of Management, Dennis Bockenstedt and Jim Spradling, City of Ankeny, and Stan Kuhn, Upper Iowa University.
- Also provided information on other continuing education opportunities sponsored by other AGA Chapters and other organizations.

Community Service Events:

- December 4, 2005 – Volunteered at Jolly Holiday Lights, a fundraiser for the Make a Wish Foundation, held in Des Moines Water Works Park. This event features over 70 light displays of leaping deer, skating penguins, and much more. Chapter members volunteered at Santa’s Village, and sold hot chocolate, coffee, frosted Christmas cookies, kettle corn, and various merchandise items, took pictures of Santa, and directed traffic to the parking lot or exit of the park.
- Collected donations for the food bank throughout the year by providing a “change jar at our meetings for the donations.
- Donation of Basket to National PDC

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Early Careers Events:

- February 7, 2006 – Presented a \$500 scholarship to Jacob Chambers, a Grandview College Accounting Student.
- Provided information on National Scholarship opportunities to chapter members and the Accounting Advisor at Grand View College in Des Moines.

Social Event:

- May 12, 2006 – Rented a Skybox for the Iowa Cubs baseball game, with Kerry Woods of the Chicago Cubs pitching in a rehab assignment. We had front-row seats for the fireworks that followed the game

Membership:

- Members of the Year –Angie James.
- Checked membership lists and contacted suspended members to encourage them to renew.
- Sent invitations to those non-members that attended our seminars to invite them to our meetings, or to join.

Other Facts:

- Chapter Recognition Points achieved = Over 17,000 points - Received the Gold Chapter Designation for the first year. Had previously received the Silver Chapter Designation for seven consecutive years with over 10,000 points.
- CGFM: The chapter budgeted up to \$500 as an exam fee reimbursement for members who successfully complete the CGFM exam and meet certain criteria for chapter membership and involvement. One member has successfully completed the exams to become a CGFM.
- CGFM: An additional \$500 is budgeted to be shared by those successfully completing the CGFM exam, and may not don't qualify under the first incentive program.
- Continued a CGFM Study Group
- Approved the updated Chapter Bylaws at the April 4, 2006 meeting