



DES MOINES CHAPTER

Chapter History Report

June 1, 2014 – May 31, 2015 Program Year

Chapter Executive Committee:

- President – Deborah Krueger (Jun 1–Aug 20, 2014); Gabe Stafford (Aug 21–May 31, 2015)
- President Elect – Gabe Stafford
- Past President – Deb Schroeder, CPA
- Secretary – Valerie Wedgeworth
- Treasurer – Deb Schroeder, CPA
- Professional Certification – Lilia Kryuchkova, CGFM
- Chapter Recognition – Gabe Stafford
- By-Laws and Procedures – Deb Schroeder, CPA
- Membership and Member Recognition – Tracie Kirkpatrick
- Education, Programs, and Technical Meetings – Janice Jensen, CPA, CGFM
- Communications – Jyl Huskey
- Website – Denise Ragias, CGFM
- Early Careers – vacant
- Community Service – vacant
- Accountability and Outreach – Gabe Stafford

Monthly Meetings – 10 hours of CPE offered (1 hour each event):

- **June 11, 2014** – "Overview of Cyber Crime Unit / ACAC Task Force" presented by Nathaniel McLaren, Special Agent in Charge, Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation
- **September 10, 2014** – "Procurement" presented by Kevin Beichley, CFO-Procurement, Iowa Department of Administrative Services
- **October 8, 2014** – "Why Public Television Matters Today" presented by Mary Bracken, Iowa Public Television
- **November 19, 2014** – "Status of the State Budget and Beyond" presented by Dave Roederer, Iowa Department of Management
- **December 10, 2014** – "Local Government Bonding" presented by Matt Gillaspie, Piper Jaffray & Co.
- **January 14, 2015** – "Inspections & Appeals Initiatives" presented by Rod Roberts, Iowa Department of Inspections & Appeals
- **February 18, 2015** – "Citizen Centric Reporting – What's In It For Me?" presented by members Gabe Stafford, Janice Jensen, and Deb Schroeder
- **March 18, 2015** – "Disabled Veteran Non-Competition Program" presented by Dave Mitchell, Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- **April 15, 2015** – "Competitive Grants – A Walkthrough From Start to Finish" presented by Jeff Berger, Iowa Department of Education, CFO Internal Operations
- **April 27, 2015** – "Fraud Protection with Charitable Giving" presented by Bill Brauch, Iowa Department of Justice, Consumer Protection Division

Educational Webinars and Seminars – 39 hours of CPE Offered (2 hours each event, unless otherwise noted):

- **June 11, 2014** AGA Webinar – “Understanding the Data Act” presented by Hudson Hollister, Data Transparency Coalition, and Nancy K. DiPaolo, Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
- **July 23, 2014** NASACT Webinar – “GASB Review: 2014” presented by David Vaudt, David R. Bean, and Scott Reeser, Governmental Accounting Standards Board
- **September 10, 2014** AGA Webinar – “Applying Moneyball Principles to Government” presented by Hilary Cronin, US Department of Education, Rich Rasa, US Department of Education OIG, Doug Cristcitello, Grant Thornton, and Robert Shea, Grant Thornton
- **October 8, 2014** AGA Webinar – “Wow! She Stole That Much?” presented by David R. Hancox, David R. Hancox Advisory Services
- **November 5, 2014** AGA Webinar – “Are You Prepared for DATA Act Challenges?” presented by Bob Dacey, US General Accounting Office, Christin Ho, US Department of the Treasury, Wendy Payne, FASAB, and Mark Reger, US Office of Management and Budget
- **November 19, 2014** AGA Webinar – “Fraud Risk Management” presented by John J. Hall, Speaker
- **December 10, 2014** AGA Webinar – “How Do You Spell Success? E-T-H-I-C-S!” presented by Frank C. Bucaro, Author and Speaker
- **January 14, 2015** AGA Webinar – “Auditors and Investigators Using Data Analytics to Accomplish Their Missions” presented by David A. Montoya, US Department of Housing and Urban Development OIG and Timothy Persons, US Government Accountability Office
- **January 28, 2015** AGA Webinar – “Strengthening Grants Management” presented by Tom Salmon, US Health and Human Services OIG, Denise Wu, Clifton Larson Allen LLP, and Merrill Oliver, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
- **February 11, 2015** NASACT Webinar – “GAO's New Green Book: A Revised Internal Control Framework for Government” presented by Kristen Kocielek, US Government Accountability Office, Jeanin Kuwik, MN Office of Management and Budget, and Cecile M. Ferkul, MN Legislative Auditor
- **February 18, 2015** AGA Webinar – “From Ponzi to Madoff: Trust, Gullibility & Greed” presented by Allan Bachman, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners
- **March 18, 2015** AGA Webinar – “Put Internal Control Principles Into Practice” presented by Eric S. Berman, Eide Bailly, LLP
- **March 27, 2015** NASACT Webinar – “Visualizing Fraud Patterns: Exposing the Hidden Threats” presented by Christopher Westphal, Raytheon Company
- **April 15, 2015** AGA Webinar – “From Effort to Evidence: New Alignment for Federal, State and Local Performance to Drive Results” presented by Janice J. Lambert, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Ray A. Scher, US Office of Management and Budget, and Jon Desenberg, The Performance Institute
- **May 13, 2015** AGA Webinar – “Beyond the Code: Ethical Decision Making in the Real World” presented by Toby Groves, Speaker
- **May 14, 2015** Chapter Annual Professional Development Conference – “The Ethical Equation: It's not what you know, it's what you do” presented by Mike Day and Kyle Price, Dale Carnegie Training NC (7 hours CPE)
- **May 27, 2015** NASACT Webinar – “GASB 68 Accounting and Auditing Issues - Implementation is Coming Soon... Are You Ready?” presented by David Bean, Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Gerry Boaz, TN Department of Audit, and Donna Miller, AZ Office of the Auditor General

Throughout the program year, information was provided on additional continuing education opportunities sponsored by National AGA, other regional AGA Chapters, and other organizations in the Chapter’s newsletters, by email, and at Chapter meetings and audio conferences.

Community Service Events:

- July 2014 – Donation of set of 4 Iowa-themed children’s books to National PDC Community Service Raffle in Orlando, Florida.
- October 2014 – Chapter members participated in the Susan G Komen Race for the Cure, either as a walker or a cash contributor. This event raises funds to be used towards breast cancer research.
- November 2014 – Collected cash donations for Iowa Public Television.
- December 2014 – Collected cash donations for Marine Toys for Tots Foundation.

Early Careers Events:

- No events were held during the Chapter year.

Annual Meeting:

- April 27, 2015 – The annual meeting for the program year was held at noon at the Principal Park Cub Club Restaurant. In addition to the interesting program on *Fraud Protection with Charitable Giving*, the Chapter held its annual awards and passing-of-the-gavel ceremonies.

Membership:

- As an incentive to encourage CEC involvement, the Chapter offered to pay the membership dues for any individual who became a first-time CEC member for the year. One incentive was awarded to Tracie Kirkpatrick, Chapter Membership.
- Membership awards were presented at the annual meeting. Members of the Year Award – Richa Goel and Deb Schroeder (tie). Members with 5-year membership milestones were recognized and presented with certificates at the Annual Awards meeting.
- A name was chosen at each Lunch ‘n Learn general meeting, the recipient earning a free meal at the annual meeting. Two winners attended the Annual Awards meeting and received the free meal.
- Chapter Membership as of April 30, 2015 was 70 members. Added 7 new members from May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2015 – Kimberly Ashmore, Jodi Baker, Jeffrey Lenhart, Mary Mosiman, Jason Ropte, Eric Weaver, Bridgett Wood.
- Checked membership lists and contacted suspended members to encourage them to renew.
- Sent email invitations to those non-members who attend our monthly meetings or audio conferences, to invite them to our upcoming events, or to encourage them to join.
- Deb Schroeder was nominated for 2015 National AGA Chapter Service Award.

CGFM:

- Number of members holding the CGFM designation as of April 30, 2015 was 38.
- Obtained perpetual Governor’s proclamation of March as CGFM month in 2007.
- Obtained the City of Des Moines proclamation of March 2015 as CGFM month. Several members attended the city council meeting with the Chapter President accepting the Proclamation on behalf of the Chapter.
- Promoted CGFM certification to chapter members. Provided CGFM brochures at various events, articles in newsletters, and answered questions or provided information on the National CGFM Review Sessions being held.
- In honor of CGFM Month, the Chapter provided pizza and cupcakes and recognized Iowa CGFMs at the March 18th CGFM Celebration Meeting. Drawings were held for AGA promotional items.
- Purchased one set of CGFM study guides which are available for checkout from the CGFM director.
- The Chapter offered a \$500 scholarship for any Chapter Executive Committee member who successfully completed the CGFM exam and met certain criteria for chapter membership and involvement. An additional \$500 was budgeted to be shared by those successfully completing the CGFM exams during the given year but did not qualify under the first incentive program. One CEC member obtained CGFM certification during this year, Lilia Kryuchkova.

- Adopted revised requirements for CGFM scholarships effective May 12, 2015.

Other Activities and Accomplishments:

- Chapter Recognition Program – The Chapter achieved Platinum status for the year. The chapter has received the Platinum, Gold, or Silver award in each of the last ten years.
- The Chapter completed its fourth Citizen Centric Report (CCR) in September and was awarded the Certificate of Excellence in Member-Centric Reporting by the National AGA Office.
- Chapter Recognition Scholarship from National – Used to provide pizza and pop to attendees at the March 18 lunch n’ learn.
- Deb Krueger and Deb Schroeder attended the July 2014 PDT in Orlando, Florida and picked up awards for the previous year’s accomplishments. Deb Schroeder served on the Conference Host Committee.
- Gabe Stafford, Janice Jensen, and Deb Schroeder attended the October 2014 Midwest Regional SLMR in Kansas City, Missouri.
- Deb Schroeder and Bridgett Wood attended the Sectional Leadership Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri in May 2015.
- Promoted AGA National Academic Scholarship program through the newsletter.
- Deb Schroeder served as Regional Education Coordinator (Midwest Region).