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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Who would have thought accountants, financial analysts, and technicians would serve a vital role in supporting the nation's war fighter? Recently, I traveled halfway around the world to Kuwait and personally witnessed DFAS civilians in-theater supporting our military.



Edna Knight  
CGFM, CPA

The dollars spent supporting the Global War on Terror (GWOT) represent about one-third of the DoD's half a trillion dollar budget distributed, executed, and reported daily, monthly, quarterly, and annually. Our role as financial management professionals is to provide accurate, relevant, and timely GWOT cost of war information for decision making from the theater, through the Department, and ultimately to Congress.

Our support to the war fighter is multi-faceted and in high demand. The current deployed environment includes 18 DFAS civilians located in Kuwait, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Some areas where we are making a difference include:

1) performing managerial cost analysis to maximize dollars obligated and disbursed as well as deobligating funds for other uses;

2) implementing finance and accounting systems improving efficiencies and helping to reduce cash on the ground;

3) retrograding finance and accounting functions to the U.S. freeing up our military resources;

4) providing face to face customer service and resolving a multitude of issues;

5) providing sustainment training to deployed Finance Commands, and theater audits in joint task force environments; and

6) closing contracts for the Iraqi Relief and Reconstruction Funds and Joint Contracting Command – Afghanistan.

In-theater DFAS support is highly sought and valued. The DFAS continuously receives requirements for new or additional support for the exceptional work our teams are accomplishing. We react quickly to the needs of the theater Commands and deploy rapidly to support their missions. In so doing, accountants, financial analysts, and technicians are making a difference in supporting the war fighters. ♦

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## INTERVIEWING: THE POWER OF TWO

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Many songs and sayings use the word “two”: Two for Tea, It Takes Two to Tango, two’s company, and two heads are better than one. That last saying also applies to conducting interviews.

Often, auditors conduct interviews without a partner. This requires a great deal of multi-tasking. The auditor must ask questions, record answers, repeat questions when receiving inadequate responses, follow-up on indications of problems, and be alert to inappropriate body language. While this is going on, the auditor should indicate that she is paying close attention to what the person is saying (I will assume the auditor is a woman for writing ease). Unfortunately, in practice, the interviewer spends much of the time looking at her notebook recording responses.

When you are looking down at a pad of paper, concentrating on recording what was said, you may find it difficult to consider the content of the answers and to think of unplanned questions. In addition, you may find it almost impossible to be aware of body language. For that reason, I recommend that if possible you have a second person at all interviews. The second person provides a number of advantages.

Accurately recording responses. The auditor who writes down the answers while also conducting the interview may abbreviate the response. If we don’t say anything for 30 seconds while we record what was said, we feel guilty (perhaps justifiably) about wasting the person’s time. As a result, we sometimes shortcut our notes, believing that we will expand them later. But later, we may not recall those points we did not write down.

Following up on inadequate answers. Occasionally, a person doesn’t answer the question asked, but manages to disguise the evasion. People rarely state that they won’t answer a question; they usually just talk around it. The auditor must be alert to word choices and recognize the failure to answer questions.

Of course, if people want to avoid a question, the auditor should be thinking of asking other questions to properly explore the subject. Again, unless the auditor is listening carefully to the responses, she may miss the fact that the person did not answer the question being asked.

Pursuing possible leads. When responding to questions during interviews, people sometimes mention something that warrants further follow-up. However, that something may not be highlighted during the discussion; it may just be noted casually. As a result, if the interviewer is not paying careful attention, she may not notice it. Again, when the auditor is concentrating on recording answers accurately, she may miss the comment.

Watching for body language. When the main interviewer can focus directly on the speaker, she notices hesitations, changes in speaking style, facial expressions, etc. Imagine the question: “How is morale in this organization?” Then imagine the response: “just fine.” Would you perceive that response differently if it were delivered with a nod and a smile, versus a grimace and a rolling of the eyes? If you are looking at your notes when you heard the response, you may have no idea of any nonverbal communication.

Having a second set of eyes and ears. Even if the second person has the responsibility of taking notes, that auditor still hears and sees. Your colleague may very well notice something you missed, or connect the information with some other data with which you are not as familiar. Of course, the second person can also verify what was said in the event of a dispute.

In summary, I recommend that you always try to secure the services of another auditor when you conduct an interview. That second person frees you to concentrate on the real job at hand, asking questions and considering the answers. Even if you are conducting a one-person audit, try to borrow someone to go on interviews with you. You can always promise to repay the favor in the future. I think you will find that the power of two in interviews rewards you far more than the additional costs involved. ♦

By: Sefton Boyars, CGFM, CPA

## PAIR LIVED LARGE ON FRAUD, U.S. SAYS; STATE RETIREMENT FUNDS AMONG VICTIMS

In the latest round of financial-fraud allegations to erupt, two money managers have been accused of misappropriating at least \$553 million, and using it to fund a lifestyle of lavish homes, horses and even an \$80,000 collectible teddy bear. The two men, Paul Greenwood, 61, of North Salem, N.Y., and Stephen Walsh, 64, of Sands Point, N.Y., were arrested by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents and face criminal charges of conspiracy, securities fraud and wire fraud by the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York. Alleged victims include Carnegie Mellon University, which had invested more than \$49 million, and the University of Pittsburgh, which put in more than \$65 million, court records show. The Iowa Public Employees Retirement System said it had invested about \$339 million, or 2% of its portfolio. The Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System in California said on its website that it had invested \$89.9 million, or 1.6% of its total fund. -- Steve Stecklow, Chad Bray and Jenny Strasburg, The Wall Street Journal. Read more. [Click Here to Read More](#) ♦

Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2009 Online Member Poll. [Click Here To See the Results!](#)

## AGA'S 2009 GOVERNMENT FINANCE CASE CHALLENGE WINNER ANNOUNCED



AGA would like to congratulate the University of North Carolina at Pembroke team who was awarded the top prize on Feb. 20, 2009. They competed with students from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in the final portion of the competition that ran in conjunction with AGA's seventh annual National Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. Both teams did an outstanding job! Stay tuned for more information about the next competition for the 2009-2010 program year. ♦

## WATCHDOGS APPLAUD OBAMA'S PICK TO OVERSEE STIMULUS

Government watchdogs have hailed the selection of U.S. Department of Interior Inspector General Earl Devaney, a member of AGA's Washington, D.C. Chapter, to head the new Recovery Act Transparency and Accountability Board, an independent panel that will provide oversight of the \$787 billion stimulus package. Devaney will report directly to Vice President Joe Biden, who will oversee the administration's economic recovery spending. "We are really excited," said Danielle Brian, executive director of the Project on Government Oversight. "He is really one of the most solid IGs in the federal government, and he is exactly the type of person we need in this role." The recovery board, which will have a budget of \$84 million, is the central organization monitoring how stimulus funds are disbursed. The group can hold hearings, issue subpoenas, hire staff and sign support contracts. --Robert Brodsky, Government Executive. [Click Here to Read More](#). ♦

## SHOW ME THE MONEY!!

On Wednesday March 4, 2009, the Indianapolis chapter switched up their annual recruiting event by giving away cold, hard cash. That's right, every new member (not an expired member or transfer) received \$10 when they turned in their completed application and membership payment during the event. In fact, even their sponsors received \$10 cash (not to exceed \$30) for every new person recruited.

Within the 1 hour event, the chapter recruited 32 eager individuals ready to get involved in AGA. Please give a big thanks to our newly recruited members and to Brandi Hobson, Jeff Fourman, Lauren Zimmerman, Shane Douglas, and Martha Welch for making this awesome recruiting event happen. ♦



# SUDOKU

### Directions:

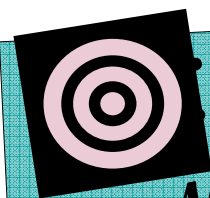
The objective of the game is to fill all the blank squares in a game with the correct numbers. There are three very simple constraints to follow. In a 9 by 9 square Sudoku game:

- Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order
- Every column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order
- Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>2</b>				
			<b>7</b>				<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>
				<b>6</b>		<b>8</b>		
	<b>4</b>							
		<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>					<b>7</b>
	<b>2</b>					<b>6</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>9</b>			

## Welcome New Members!!

New Member	Sponsor
Baker, Tiffany	Slaga, Jeff
Bean, Stephanie	Allen, Jeannie
Berens, Kathryn	N/A
Brown, Paul	N/A
Campbell, John	Cox, Ron
Cornelius, Sylvia	McGee, Marilyn
Dangol, Labib	Crist, Katie
Delima, Derrick	Crist, Katie
Dietterle, Julia	Collins, Phil
Eisenhauer, Megan	N/A
Farr, Daniel	Hobson, Brandi
Freeman, Wendy	N/A
Gilbert, Durand	N/A
Gregory, Joshua	Nowling, Colin
Harris, Lindsay	Leedy, Sarah
Jones, Kimberly	Stevenson, JoAnn
Kretzer, Jamie	Fourman, Jeff
Lin, Chun Rong	Allen, Jeannie
Moore, John	Nethery, Megan
Munguia, Jose	Jacobs, Melissa
Noveroske, Adam	N/A
Pera, Audra	Zimmerman, Lauren
Peterson, Susan	Collins, Phil
Rendon, German	N/A
Sargent, Amy	Castillo, Edmie
Stokes, Christina	McGee, Marilyn
Van Renterghem, Amy	Cox, Ron
Warner, Allison	Leedy, Sarah
Williams, Drew	Henn, Jennifer
Williams, Erika	Jacobs, Melissa
Woods, Kiana	McGee, Marilyn
Yan, Laurette	Hobson, Brandi



*Now at the Garrison,  
The AGA Presents...*



**Mr. Tom Crouch**  
Economic Development Director,  
City of Lawrence

*March 19, 2009*

*11:30-1:00*

*6002 N.*

*Post Road*

*Members: \$13*

*Nonmembers: \$18*

*Ticket Cut-Off:*

*Friday, March 13th*

**Menu**

**Chicken Parmesan, Penne Pasta w/Marinara Sauce,  
Rice Pilaf w/Onions & Carrots, California Vegetable  
Medley, Tossed Garden Salad,  
New York Style Cheesecake**

**Ticket Sellers**

Shane Douglas 301T x1933  
Ernie Bell 114G x7353  
Tom Spahr 214A x6880  
Mary Aurtrey 228Y x0887

Bob Matejka 331DD x7566;  
Jennifer Henn 313W x2369;  
Maranda Summers 212Z x8831;

## CEC MINUTES - MARCH 4, 2009

### **ATTENDEES**

Edna Knight, Trinna Barker, Tom Spahr, Charlie Pollis, Marilyn McGee, Sally McManus, Melissa Jacobs, Jim Naff, Jessica Grove, Shane Douglas, Monica Norris, Mandy Illg, Jeff Fourman, Tina Hinze, JoAnn Stevenson, Brian Scheidler, Sarah Leedy, and Sam Graham.

### **OPENING REMARKS - President – Edna Knight**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:02 a.m.

#### January Action Items Requiring Update

- ⇒ JIM NAFF: Prepare an investment plan to be voted on at the March CEC meeting. Jim provided an investment plan to the CEC for review (see attachment). A motion was made and seconded to purchase up to 5 CDs for \$3,000 each at Finance Center Federal Credit Union for terms of 48-60 months at an interest rate of 4%. The motion was unanimously approved
- ⇒ KIM MITZNER: Add an overview of the incentive points program that will be a standard part of every newsletter. Tina Hinze provided information about the program to Kim to be included in future newsletters
- ⇒ SHANE/MELISSA: purchase a new projector if required. Shane researched three projectors and recommended a Toshiba with a 3-year warranty for \$549. A motion was made and seconded to purchase the projector. It was unanimously approved. Warranty info will be kept in the treasurer lock box
- ⇒ MARILYN/CHARLIE: Connect with Cliff Terry (vice president of the Indianapolis Walking Club) concerning the Wellness Walk. Met with Cliff – provided a lot of good info. The committee is considering joining with Cliff on future events but plan to keep the Wellness Walk a joint ASMC event. The plan is to alternate years with the ASMC on planning – ASMC will lead planning next year

### **SECRETARY NOTES - Secretary – Melissa Jacobs**

- ⇒ Sectional Leadership Meeting (SLM) - Attendees (as suggested by National) include: Membership, CGFM Chair and Education Chair, so Shane (incoming Membership Chair) and Trinna and Jessica (incoming Education Co-Chairs) will attend the event
- ⇒ Elections - Need to establish Nominating Committee. It was recommended to have a board member (Sam), Immediate Past President (Sally), Incoming President (Michele), and current President (Edna) on the Committee. **Melissa will handle all election logistics.** Nominations are due by 31 March. President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer-Elect, and two Board Members. Elections must occur in April. Winners names must be submitted to National by 30 April for points – Tina will submit points to National.
- ⇒ CEC position descriptions - Brief descriptions of each CEC position have been consolidated into one document. **Melissa will forward the document to the CEC for final approval. Once finalized, Melissa will send it out to members with information on vacant CEC positions**

### **TREASURER NOTES - Treasurer –Shane Douglas**

February 2009 net worth report was sent out via email last night.

### **COMMITTEE NOTES**

#### **Membership Committee – Melissa Jacobs for Martha Welch and Noah Sturgeon**

- ⇒ Recruiting event update -
  - Event will be held today - March 4<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria from 11:30 – 12:30. New members who sign up on the spot receive \$10 cash; Current members who recruit a member to sign up on the spot receive \$10 cash on-the-spot not to exceed \$30.

#### **Awards Committee – Melissa Jacobs for Edmie Castillo**

- ⇒ 2008-9 Program Year Scholarships - Email will go out to members this week. Applications will be accepted through 30 April.
- ⇒ Proposed changes for the 2009-10 Program Year Scholarships will be covered by Edmie in the April CEC meeting

#### **Incentive Points Coordinator – Tina Hinze**

- ⇒ Chapter Membership Poll -
  - Poll closes March 6<sup>th</sup> – Tina will send a reminder email out to members

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**Congratulations  
Lori Hanes  
for being February's  
Biggest Loser!!**

**Lori has the highest percentage of weight loss  
(3.17%).**

## CEC MINUTES (CONT).

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- Results will be forwarded CEC members for action and approval and for inclusion in the next Newsletter

### **Chapter Recognition Program Coordinator – Tina Hinze**

⇒ Chairs need to submit 3rd quarter points NLT March 21st for the months of January, February, and March

### **Social Committee – Mandy Illg and Brian Scheidler**

⇒ Duckpin Bowling Night on 27 March with the Early Careers Committee (Fountain Square, Downtown Indianapolis).

- Will include shoe rental and 1 hour of bowling – the AGA will cover about \$1 per person

### **Early Careers Committee – Jeff Fourman**

⇒ Jeff will be 2009-10 Early Careers Chair Person

⇒ Job Shadowing Event update -

- 18 pairs have committed to participate in the event
- Some Early Career Members are not returning committee phone calls or are not willing to schedule the job shadow events.
- Edna will help the committee contact participants as required.

### **Education Committee – Trinna Barker and Jessica Grove**

⇒ PDC Update -

- April 13<sup>th</sup> at The Garrison  
Have 5 speakers, need 8
- Flyer for the event will probably go out this week.
- It was recommended that the committee invite Dr. Livesay back – the AGA received good feedback on her at the February luncheon.

### **Community Service Committee – Monica Norris and Fay Whitney**

⇒ Habitat for Humanity -

- Flyers are available with a bio of the Meyers family. Stephanie and Kurt are veterans, Stephanie is a disabled Veteran. They have five children (two are which are disabled). Habitat for Humanity has a deadline of April 8th to raise \$70,000 to start building a home for the Meyers family.
- A motion was made and seconded to donate \$250.00 to the Habitat for Humanity for this cause. It was unanimously approved.

### **Wellness Committee – Brooke Moore and Charlie Pollis**

⇒ Wellness Walk Update -

- Event will be held Saturday April 25 from 9-11:00 in the DFAS SE parking lot.
- There will be a competition between the AGA and ASMC – points will be given for everyone who attends.
- **The committee will prepare a detailed break down of duties at the April CEC meeting.**
- Will split the cost of snacks, signs and trophy with the ASMC.
  - \* T-shirts for staff.
  - \* Can't do raffles, but can do a door prize/giveaway.
  - \* Working on creating a banner for event.
  - \* A trophy will be purchased and passed to the organization with the most points from year to year.
  - \* If the committee doesn't have enough money budgeted for the event, they will conduct a vote via email for additional funds

### **ADJOURN**

⇒ The next CEC meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 7-8:00 a.m. in the Indianapolis Operations Headquarters conference room (222BB)

⇒ The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 a.m.

### **ABOUT THE OBSERVER**

*The Observer* is AGA-Indianapolis Chapter's monthly newsletter which covers member and association activities on both the chapter and national levels. *The Observer* features developments within the profession, chapter news, and articles of interest to members. Opinions and beliefs expressed in *The Observer* are those of the contributors and do not necessarily reflect those of the association. We welcome and encourage members to send us original or reproduced articles that may be of interest to our members for publication in our newsletter.

Editorial contributions, ideas, or suggestions should be sent to the AGA mailbox at [DFAS-INAGA@dfas.mil](mailto:DFAS-INAGA@dfas.mil).

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT

AGA Net Worth February 2009			
<b>Business Basics Checking - Fifth Third</b>			
	<b>Date</b>		<b>Amount</b>
<b>Beginning Balance February 1, 2009</b>			<b>4,000.00</b>
<b>Increases:</b>			
January Joint Luncheon	2/12/2009		1,063.00
<b>Total Cash In</b>			<b>1,063.00</b>
<b>Decreases:</b>			
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Check #</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Secretary of State - SOS Business Entity Fee	2/4/2009	DC	7.14
Settle up with ASMC - January Luncheon	2/13/2009	2127	8.00
New Member, LIM gift cards	2/18/2009	2128	15.00
<b>Total Cash Out</b>			<b>30.14</b>
<b>Ending Balance - Checking Account</b>			<b>5,032.86</b>
<b>Outstanding Checks &amp; MC Transactions (Not reflected in above Checking Account balance)</b>			
<b>Outstanding Debits</b>			
NASBA notification of Main Contact Change - Education Committee	3/1/2009	2129	25.00
NASBA National Registry of CPE Sponsors - Education Committee	3/3/2009	2130	660.00
<b>Total Outstanding Debits</b>			<b>685.00</b>
<b>Actual Checking Account Balance when transactions process</b>			<b>4,347.86</b>
<b>Business Money Market - Fifth Third</b>			
<b>Beginning Balance February 1, 2009</b>			<b>25,437.06</b>
<b>Increases:</b>			
Interest	2/27/2009	N/A	11.08
<b>Total Cash In</b>			<b>11.08</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>			<b>25,448.14</b>
<b>CDs - Fifth Third</b>			
#006-0530660065 - mature on 7/01/08			5,586.33
Interest earned on #006-0530660065	7/1/2008		129.04
<b>Total</b>			<b>5,715.37</b>
<b>Total AGA Net Worth - January 31, 2009</b>			<b>43,343.52</b>
<b>Total AGA Net Worth - February 28, 2009</b>			<b>\$35,511.37</b>



58th ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE  
& EXPOSITION

# JAZZING IT UP.

Best Practices in Government Accountability

June 21-24, 2009 | New Orleans Marriott Hotel and Sheraton New Orleans | New Orleans, LA



Early Careers Social Night  
featuring:

# Duckpin Bowling at Fountain Square!



**Friday, March 27, 2009**  
**7:30 - 8:30 pm**  
**1105 Prospect St. Indianapolis, IN 46203**



**\$5 for AGA members**  
**\$6 non-AGA members**

(price includes bowling for an hour and shoe rental)

**Tickets on sale until**  
**March 25 at 3:00pm!!**

**See an AGA ticket seller**  
**today to get your ticket!**

Shane Douglas	301T	x1933
Bob Matejka	331DD	x7566
Mary Aurtrey	228Y	x0887
Jennifer Henn	313W	x2369
Ernie Bell	114G	x1709
Maranda Summers	212Z	x8831
Tom Spahr	214A	x6880

**Food and drinks will be available at the snack bar!**  
**FREE parking available right across the street!**

## **THE FUTURE OF GOVERNMENT AUDITING - WHICH DIRECTION(S) ARE WE HEADING?**

AGA, in conjunction with the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers (NASACT) and the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA) is pleased to announce a new and increasingly important topic to our audio conference schedule—the future of auditing.

Auditing has evolved over the years with many different types of audits being developed— financial, performance, follow-up, managerial, operational, etc. Some believe auditors have become too cozy with the auditees and have sacrificed their independence for cooperation and expediency, while others view auditing from a “gotcha” mentality whereby it is the role of the auditor to find as many things wrong as necessary and catch the bad guys.

Listen in on April 8, 2009 from 2-3 pm as a group of experienced, audit executives from each level of government address specific questions regarding the direction auditing is taking and what the audit industry must do to maintain its credibility. Learn the differences—and similarities—in the perspectives these experts bring to the table.

To share their practical experiences in auditing and views towards the future of auditing are Jeanette M. Franzel, CGFM, CPA, Director of Financial Management and Assurance, U.S. Government Accountability Office; David R. Hancox, CGFM, CIA, Audit Director, Office of the State Comptroller, State of New York; and Drummond Kahn, CGFM, CIA, Director of Audit Services, City of Portland, Oregon. ♦

## PAY IT FORWARD

During the month of February, AGA held a DVD drive benefiting military members and their families. Collection boxes were set up at the north and south entrances of the building. In the end, we turned in over 400 DVDs, CDs, VHS, and Video games to AM-VETS. The chapter would like to thank everyone that donated to our beloved service members.

Additionally, on March 9th, the chapter donated \$250 to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis for a veterans build to commence on July 8th. The house being built in Wayne Township is for a well deserved family of 7. The family's story is featured below. If you have questions about this event or how you can get involved, contact Brandi Hobson at 510-5065.



## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - THE MEYERS FAMILY

My name is Stephanie and I am a disabled veteran. My husband, Kurt, is a veteran of the US Marine Corps. Together we have five children: Katie, Charlie, Zachary, Vincent, and Gabriel.

I am attending the IU School of Social Work through the VA's Vocational Rehabilitation program. I served as the class treasurer and now am the class president of the 2009 Bachelor of Social Work class. I will be entering the Masters' Program 4 days after graduation. Kurt has the more difficult job as a stay at home father for our two disabled children and the general "family manager".

Our family enjoys camping together, cooking together, watching Colts football, and playing Scrabble. Katie, our oldest, is the artist of the family. Zachary is a member of the Indianapolis Children's Choir and Vincent is in the gifted and talented program in Wayne Township. Charlie went to France last summer on a scholarship from the Rotary Club. Gabriel is our youngest and loves Spongebob Squarepants and the Baby Einstein videos. He's quite the comedian to be less than 2 years old!

Currently, we are living in a two bedroom duplex that is very crowded. The children have been very excited since we found out that we have qualified for the Habitat for Humanity program. We look forward to the days when there will be enough room for friends to visit the children and for all of us to sit around one table and have dinner at the same time.

Sincerely,

The Meyers Family



**AGA/ASMC Joint Professional  
Development Conference**



**Monday, April 13, 2009**

**Location: The Garrison  
6002 N. Post Road**



# Exceeding Expectations

**Members \$125  
Non Members \$150**

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Program Content:

Educational presentations from Joint Staff Comptroller, Dennis Savage; DFAS Director of Finance Operations, Tom Roberts; DTSA Director of Management Directorate, Col. Michelle Gardner-Ince; Indiana Leadership Development, Inc., Dr. Robin Livesay; Director of Financial Systems for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Tom Garrison; President of Indianapolis T.A.L.K.S., Heather Crews, and more!

Learning Objectives:

Obtain an overview of current topics in the field of professional development, finance, ethics, information technology, and/or accounting. Learn skills that can be used in the workplace on a daily basis.

Instructional Method: Group - Live

Program Level: Overview

Prerequisites: None required

Advanced Preparation: None required

Earn up to 8 CPE credits

\*No refunds will be provided, but substitution of attendees will be allowed

**Deadline to submit SF182 is March 30<sup>th</sup>! Contact your training coordinator to register.**



AGA and ASMC are registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors. State boards of accountancy have final authority on the acceptance of individual courses for CPE credit. Complaints regarding registered sponsors may be addressed to the National Registry of CPE Sponsors, 150 Fourth Avenue North, Nashville, TN, 37219-2417. Web site: [www.nasba.org](http://www.nasba.org)

# March 2009

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

## LOCAL & NATIONAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Mar. 4: CEC Meeting (7 - 8 am; DFAS Conf. Room 222BB) POC Melissa Jacobs
- Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: CGFM Study Group Module 2 (5 - 6 pm; DFAS Training Room 1) POC Jayme VanHorn
- Mar. 19: AGA Luncheon (11:30 am - 1 pm; The Garrison Conf. Center) POC Melissa Jacobs
- Mar. 21: CRP points due POC Tina Hinze
- Mar 27: Early Careers Social Event (7:30 - 8:30 pm - Fountain Square) POC- Mandy Illg/ Brandi Hobson
- April 8th - Audio Conference "The Future of Government Auditing" (2 - 3:40 pm; DFAS Conf. Room 222R) POC Trinna Barker
- April 13th - Spring Professional Development Conference (The Garrison Conf. Center) POC Trinna Barker/Jessica Grove)
- Apr. 16: AGA Luncheon (11 am - 1 pm; The Garrison Conf. Center) POC- Melissa Jacobs
- May 21: AGA Luncheon (11 am - 1 pm; The Garrison Conf. Center) POC- Melissa Jacobs

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### AGA'S MARCH 10 RADIO SHOW DISCUSSES CFO SELECTION AND THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION

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