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President's Message

Welcome to summer with the heat finally coming back and school and football season here. With all the run around, don't forget to schedule some time just for you. And what better place to spend time than with your local AGA Chapter. We have monthly board meetings, monthly lecture series over lunch, a professional development conference or two and even a few socials throughout the year to really get to know the AGA Board and the members that make AGA all possible. We would love to see you and love to see you get involved. I know everyone out there has their own unique ideas and thoughts and by putting them all together AGA can continue to be an effective and efficient organization and provide quality CPE to its members.

Thank you to Michaela Butterworth for her discussion last month over the SMART WEB, all it can do, and how best to use the tools it provides. Michaela is our most recent Board member and has volunteered to make our website come alive. I know she would love feedback on how to improve the use of the website, so please contact her (contact info on the right) for any ideas or thoughts you may have with any issues you have had in the past or just a new idea.

Thanks all !

Russell Shipley, President



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Training Calendar

September 11, 2013—Sorry, no speaker this month. See you in October.

October 9, 2013—Professional Development Conference—Manhattan, Kansas

November 13, 2013—Professional lecture series at Jayhawk Tower.
Speaker: Alan Conroy, Director of KPERS

December 11, 2013—Professional lecture series at Jayhawk Tower.
Speaker: Doug Mays, Former Speaker of the House

January 8, 2014—Professional lecture series at Jayhawk Tower.
Speaker: Jim Colson, Topeka City Manager

February 12, 2014—Professional lecture series at Jayhawk Tower.

March 2014—Professional Development Conference—CGFM Courses 1 & 3.

April 9, 2014—Professional lecture series at Jayhawk Tower.

May 14, 2014—Professional lecture series at Jayhawk Tower.

[See website \(www.agaks.org\)](http://www.agaks.org) to register for CPE events.

CGFM Courses 1 & 3

After the success of hosting the CGFM Course 2 in March 2013, the AGA Topeka Chapter is again planning CGFM courses for the upcoming year. Plans are being finalized to present the Courses 1 and 3 in March, 2014 in Lawrence, KS. Watch our newsletters and newsflash-
es for finalized plans! More information on the courses can be found at the following link:
<http://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/Preparing-for-Examinations/Instructor-led-Courses.aspx> Detailed course descriptions can be found at the following link: [http://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/Preparing-for-Examinations/Government-Financial-Manager-\(GFM\)-Training-Progra.aspx#Course1](http://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM-Certification/Preparing-for-Examinations/Government-Financial-Manager-(GFM)-Training-Progra.aspx#Course1)

Offering 24 CPE hours for the 3 day sessions, the course content is not only relevant for those seeking the CGFM certification, but those searching for a valuable training opportunity. If you are interested in attending, please email lhshaver@ksinsurance.org for more information. Class size is limited!

Chapter Recognition Program Period Report

Our current standing as of **June 30, 2013**, is as follows:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Chapter Leadership, Planning & Participation	<u>1,625</u>	3,000	54%
Education & Professional Development	<u>450</u>	4,000	11%
Certification	<u>50</u>	4,000	1%
Communications	<u>775</u>	3,000	26%
Membership	<u>350</u>	4,000	9%
Accountability	<u>0</u>	2,000	0%
Community Service	<u>0</u>	2,000	0%
Awards	<u>0</u>	1,000	0%
TOTALS	<u>3,250</u>	23,000	14%

Future updates to occur quarterly.

News of Note

If you know of any accomplishments or acknowledgements that you would like to share, please email me at rshipley@btandcocpa.com to get them into the next newsletter.

AGA, Topeka Chapter Board Meetings

The Board meets monthly and we invite you to attend our meetings if you are interested in joining the Board, interested in the Board or AGA activities or if you are just bored for an hour or so in the evenings. Please contact Russell at rshipley@btandcocpa.com, Boyd at b_jantzen@hotmail.com or Paula at Phinman@ku.edu.

We also invite you to check us out on LinkedIn, Facebook and of course our website!

Young Professionals

Young Professionals (YP) is not relative to age, it is relative to the number of years (3 years or less) you have worked in governmental Accounting, Auditing, Finance, Budget and private sector colleagues. We would love to have anyone that is interested to join our YP group. If you are interested in mentoring this group, then please join us. Watch for upcoming events and gatherings!

The mission of the Topeka Chapter is "To facilitate the professional and personal growth of Government Accountability Staff (finance / accounting / budget / audit), and their private sector colleagues, through education and certification, professional opportunity, and networking."



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