

# Monthly Footnotes

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## Luncheon Meeting

Welcome all Members and Non- Members

**TOPIC:** Midwest Regional Rail: Planning, Funding, and Economic Impact

**SPEAKER:** Andrew Sihler, Ph.D., Founding Member of ProRail and Member of the Directors Circle of the National Association of Railroad Passengers

**DATE:** Thursday, April 19, 2007

**COST:** \$ 5 for Members  
\$10 for Non-Members

**REGISTRATION:** 11:30 a.m.

**LUNCH:** 11:45 a.m.

**PLACE:** J.T. Whitney's Pub & Brewery – 674 S. Whitney Way, Madison, WI (in Marshall's parking lot; across from West Gate Mall)

**MENU CHOICES: MENU:** All meals include fries and fountain soda.

**Veggie Wrap** – Lettuce, tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, Swiss cheese, and low fat cream cheese wrapped in a spinach tortilla

**Cheesehead Burger** - 1/2 pound burger with cheddar cheese served with lettuce, tomato and pickle

**Grilled Chicken** – Grilled chicken breast sandwich served with lettuce/tomato/pickle

**RESERVATIONS:** Please contact **Sherri Voigt** by **11 a.m. on Monday, April 16, 2007** with your name, menu selection and membership status, (608) 267-9818 or e-mail: [sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov](mailto:sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov). If you need help getting a ride to the lunch, please contact Sherri for car-pooling information.

### NEW MEMBERS FIRST LUNCHEON MEETING

If you are a new member and this will be the first luncheon you are attending, please note that when calling in your reservation. Your first chapter luncheon meeting is FREE!

### BRING YOUR SUPERVISOR TO LUNCH ON AGA

One of the benefits of belonging to our Chapter is that you can bring you Supervisor to lunch once annually to show your appreciation for his/her support of your participation in AGA. Why not invite them for this months meeting?

### ABOUT THIS MONTH'S LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Andrew Sihler is a Professor emeritus of linguistics at the University of Wisconsin Madison (1967 - 1999); author of A New Comparative Grammar of Greek and Latin (Oxford, 1996)

and Language History (John Benjamins, 1999); founding member of ProRail, the South Central Wisconsin Chapter of the Wisconsin Association of Railroad Passengers; long-time member of the boards of both organizations; and member of the Directors Circle of the National Association of Railroad Passengers.

Andrew was born in Seattle, raised for the most part near large bodies of water (father was in the Navy); graduated from high school in Norfolk, Virginia, and earned degrees from Harvard (BA) and Yale (MA, PhD). By history and habit, he thinks of passenger trains as an obvious as well as pleasant way to travel. As chance would have it, most of the places he wishes to travel to are directly accessible by rail. That does not include Madison, at least, not yet. Travelers from abroad are uniformly astonished that a city with Madison's qualities and potentials has no passenger rail service. Andrew shares their astonishment.

### **A NEW WAY TO HELP OUT THE CHAPTER**

We are seeking a volunteer to do an annual review of the chapter finances. We need to find an auditor or reviewer who is independent of the treasurer and chapter board.

Our year ends June 30 and the report is due to national office by September 30, 2007. If you would like to fill this role, please contact Eric Busse ([eric.busse@dpi.state.wi.us](mailto:eric.busse@dpi.state.wi.us)). We would like to have someone in place by June 30.



**Register Today**

## **30th Annual Accounting and Financial Management Conference AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter**

**Thursday, May 3, 2007 at the UW Memorial Union**

**Do not miss this excellent training opportunity. Offering 7.5 CPEs**

**Members: \$35; Retired Members: \$25; Non-members: \$70**

Sessions and speakers for this year's spring conference include:

- Generational Challenges and Solutions - Working Effectively With Other Generations; Al Guyant, President, Guyant & Associates
- Long-Term Care Reforms in Wisconsin; Marci Katz, Wisconsin Family Care Program, WI Dept. of Health and Family Services
- Update on Wisconsin's Integrated Business Information System (IBIS) Project; Kate Nolan, Project Director, IBIS, WI Dept. of Administration
- Logic Modeling as a Tool to Focus on Program Results; Jeff Hart, CGFM, National President, AGA, and Manager, EPA/OIG Office, Denver, CO.
- Riding the Emotional Roller Coaster of Change without Falling Off; Steve Pearson, Director, UW-Madison Employee Assistance Office

To register or if you have any questions or require additional information please contact Sherri Voigt at 608-267-9818 or [sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov](mailto:sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov)

## CHAPTER MEMBER PROFILE

**Alison S. Lebwohl** works as an operations and financial consultant in the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Office of Budget, Policy, and Finance. On behalf of the Secretary's Office, her team reviews department practices and programs to assess effectiveness, identify improvements, and ensure transparency and accountability. She has been in her current position for close to two years. Before that, she worked in the department's Bureau of Highway Operations for four years, creating and managing WisDOT's asset management program for highway operations. Alison has an MBA from Yale University, where she focused her studies on Operations Management and Public Management. More recently, she was selected to participate in the La Follette School of Public Affairs' Wisconsin Women in Government Graduate Seminar. She has been a member of the Southern Wisconsin AGA Chapter for about 2 years.

Outside of work, she enjoys reading novels, cheering on her three stepchildren in soccer, and working in the garden with her husband.

### AGA MEMBERSHIP — NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN!

Are you interested in joining the Association of Government Accountants? This is the best time ever to join! With the recent change in member costs for luncheons and the Symposium, you will save enough to cover the membership dues each year. National dues are just \$90.00 and include the quarterly *Journal* magazine, the bi-weekly *AGA Today* e-mail briefing, and CPE opportunities nation-wide.

*Savings:*    \$40 discount on monthly luncheons, \$5/lunch (8 per year)  
                  \$35 Symposium registration discount  
                  \$ 8 discount on audio conference sessions (usually 2 per year)  
                  \$ 5 free lunch benefit in spring for attending 3 fall/winter events  
                  \$91 Annual Member Savings (covers the annual dues)

In addition, you will get the chapter newsletter, networking opportunities, and an invitation to bring your supervisor to a lunch for free (once per program year). Also, your first lunch meeting after joining is free!

To learn more, contact David Mellem, membership chair ([david.mellem@oig.hhs.gov](mailto:david.mellem@oig.hhs.gov)), Sherri Voigt, Regional Vice President ([sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov](mailto:sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov)), visit [www.agacgfm.org](http://www.agacgfm.org), or ask any member!

### NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS

The Chapter welcomed three new members so far this year. Be sure to greet them if you happen to meet them at a chapter event. The new members are:

Randall Alfson, Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
Sharon Stuessy, Wisconsin Department of Commerce  
Xia Xie, Wisconsin Department of Commerce

## CHAPTER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 2, 2007, Old Country Buffet

Present: Dolly O'Laughlin, Carrie Ferguson, Lily Radivojevich, Dave Mellem, Roger Birkett, Cynda Solberg, Sherri Voigt

### Committee Reports

- Treasurer's Report - current balance is \$23,303.35
- Membership - no joins in past month, three new members this year
- CGFM - governors proclamation was displayed at March lunch, plan to display proclamation at Symposium, next year will start the process earlier so we can do press release
- Education - Symposium brochures are out and the April and May lunches are set; start sending ideas to Carrie for the fall season; we will include some more specific questions on the Symposium evaluation to determine interest in offering the two-day internal control class and the one day OMB-87 class; folder stuffing at LAB from 4-5 on April 30

### Other

- Chapter Recognition - deadlines are coming for the year (April 16); get all information to Dolly by April 9 to allow entry time; consider all events through the end of the program year (April 30)
- Sectional Leadership Meeting - Dave and Sherri will be representing the chapter/region at the April 27-28 meeting in Indianapolis

**\*\* State of Wisconsin Job Announcements \*\***

### **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SUPERVISOR GENERAL ACCOUNTING & PURCHASING SERVICES SECTION CHIEF CAREER EXECUTIVE, MADISON**

**HIRING ORGANIZATION:** Department of Natural Resources (DNR); Bureau of Finance;

**SALARY:** Starting pay will be between \$59,153 and \$82,038 per year, with an excellent benefits package. A two year career executive trial period is required for those who do not yet have Career Executive status. For those who have Career Executive Status, a six-month permissive trial period may be required for candidates from other state agencies. A criminal background check will be conducted on applicants prior to selection.

**JOB DUTIES:** Supervise staff of the General Accounting and Purchasing Services Section. Develop and implement policies, procedures and training aimed at ensuring fiscal and procurement compliance. Work closely with other staff and managers in the bureau on year-end closing and reconciliation process. Play a critical role in the procurement and financial planning and policy development of the agency by serving as liaison to internal and external partners. Provide advice and guidance on emerging accounting and financial management issues affecting the department. Provide consultation services to managers across the department on various aspects of accounting, financial management and procurement. Participate in the management and administration of the Bureau of Finance, including the regional finance offices.

**KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:** State accounting and financial practices and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP); accounting systems, financial control and automated financial information management systems and uses; internal control methodologies; procurement systems,

methods and techniques; budget development, management and control; financial programs management including policy development and analysis, program planning, evaluation and implementation; conflict resolution principles; decision making and problem solving skills; organizational skills; supervisory principles; effective written and oral communication skills.

**HOW TO APPLY:** For more information and how to apply online, go to DNR's employment web site at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/employment/fte/> and click on Financial Management Supervisor, Job Announcement Code: 07-00846. The application deadline is **Friday, April 20, 2007**. For job-specific questions, contact Jackie Kaufmann at (608) 266-9236; email [Jackie.Kaufmann@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Jackie.Kaufmann@wisconsin.gov).

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SUPERVISOR  
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING SERVICES SECTION CHIEF  
CAREER EXECUTIVE, MADISON**

**HIRING ORGANIZATION:** Department of Natural Resources (DNR); Bureau of Finance.

**SALARY:** Starting pay is between \$28.33 and \$39.28 per hour depending upon experience and qualifications, plus excellent benefits (Financial Management Supervisors are in pay range 02 and pay schedule 81). A two-year Career Executive trial period is required. A criminal background check will be conducted on applicants prior to selection.

**JOB DUTIES:** Supervise staff of the Management Accounting Services Section. Manage the activities of the Section including the production of detailed operating budgets and subsequent monitoring of allotted funds at the appropriation and expense budget levels. Develop and implement policies, procedures and training aimed at ensuring fiscal compliance. Plan the detailed submission of the biennial budget, procedures, and coordination with the Department of Administration, Legislative Fiscal Bureau and the DNR Bureau of Management and Budget. Manage the year-end closing and reconciliation process, and serve as the official Agency Reconciler.

**KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:** State accounting and financial practices and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP); accounting systems, financial control and automated financial information management systems and uses; internal control methodologies; budget development, management and control; financial programs management including policy development and analysis, program planning, evaluation and implementation; conflict resolution principles; decision making and problem solving skills; organizational skills; supervisory principles; effective written and oral communication skills.

**APPLICATION INFORMATION:** For complete instructions on How To Apply, go to the WI Department of Natural Resources web site at [dnr.wi.gov/employment](http://dnr.wi.gov/employment) and locate Financial Management Supervisor (Job Announcement Code: 0700824).

**MIDWESTERN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AUDIT FORUM**

The Midwestern Intergovernmental Audit Forum (MIAF) spring conference will be held on April 24 and 25 at the Marriott Madison Westin Middleton, 1313 John Q. Hammons Drive, telephone 608-831-2000 or 800-228-9290. The 1 ½ day conference offers 12 CPEs and covers 10 topics related to governmental auditing. The theme is, "Auditing in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: New Tools, New Requirements" and includes an assortment of thought-provoking presentations on topics ranging from how information technology affects the accessibility of finished reports and fieldwork methods, fiscal pressures on public sector employers

resulting from post-employment benefits, and how to improve communications within audit teams. The registration fee is \$140 on or before April 13 and \$155 thereafter. The fee includes meals and breaks. You may view the tentative agenda, register for the conference, and obtain updated information on the Forum's web page at <http://www.auditforum.org/onlineregister.htm>. If you have questions about the meeting or hotel reservations, contact Kate Wade at 608-259-9808 or at [kate.wade@legis.wisconsin.gov](mailto:kate.wade@legis.wisconsin.gov).

The MIAF serves audit professionals in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin. The MIAF is an association of audit representatives from federal, state and local governments and representatives of public accounting firms, state professional societies, and other nongovernmental organizations having an interest in governmental auditing. The MIAF meets periodically to consider audit issues of mutual interest advanced by any governmental unit in the region. The primary purpose of the MIAF is to promote communication, coordination, and cooperation among audit agencies to facilitate the effectiveness, efficiency, and usefulness of audits.

### From The National Office

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#### PDC Registration Brochure Is Now Available

The Registration Brochure for AGA's 2007 Professional Development Conference & Exposition is now available online. The brochure includes a list of all the education sessions and events taking place at this year's conference. You can also get information about registration, hotel accommodations, travel discounts, the golf tournament and more.

- [Register Online and Save!](#)
- [Download Registration Form](#)
- [Download the brochure](#)
- [Visit the Website](#)

PDC 2007 will be bigger and better than ever! This event is packed with dynamic speakers and informative educational sessions. In addition to an outstanding technical program, the PDC provides unparalleled opportunities to network, exchange ideas and meet new friends. The stage is set for a Grand Ole Opportunity. Don't miss this outstanding educational and networking event. Register today!

#### Spring Into Recruitment and Watch Your Efforts Blossom into New Memberships!



There is still time to recruit members in this year's *Reach for the Stars* member-get-a-member recruitment campaign! The contest period runs through **April 30, 2007**. Take a look around. Who do you know who could benefit from AGA membership? Don't let your colleagues be left unaware of all that AGA can do for them. Help friends or business associates improve their professional skills and benefit through increased access to the latest technical information and new business contacts.

So what are we asking for from you? A little bit of your time, to share with a colleague, a friend or an associate how AGA can work for them too—we're talking about a quick call, a conversation at a meeting or an e-mail. A little investment in your time will go a long way in terms of helping to strengthen AGA and ultimately you.

Become eligible for [prizes](#) in the campaign by making sure new members you recruit return their completed applications no later than April 30, 2007. Remember to print your name on the sponsor's line on the application to receive sponsor credit.

Remember, recruitment is a 24-7 job and we are all walking spokespersons for AGA! Lets all *spring* into action and recruit new members! [Download a copy of AGA's membership application](#) and start recruiting new members today!

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### **AGA's Third Annual National Performance Management Conference Promoting Government Accountability through Performance Management September 24–25, 2007**

#### **Embassy Suites Phoenix/Scottsdale Golf Resort**

Save the date for the Third Annual National Performance Management Conference (PMC) focusing on state and local government performance reporting. The conference theme will showcase the value added to government entities through sharing of performance management information. If performance management is part of your responsibilities, make plans now to be a part of this important conference.

This year's PMC will bring together state and local government managers to share in educational sessions, networking opportunities and recognition of those state and local government entities honored with AGA's Certificate of Achievement in SEA Report. Take this opportunity to earn 13 CPE hours and share best practices with industry leaders and peers. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months. We look forward to hosting you in Phoenix!

### **AGA to Work on Transitions in Government Project**

AGA and member organizations of the Government Performance Coalition will undertake a project to help shape the agenda in the 2008 presidential election by promoting dialogue and debate on budget, management and performance issues in government. The Coalition is ready to start conversation with government managers, campaigns and the public.

The project will use a web-based survey tool in pursuing a comprehensive picture of federal management's experiences and ideas going forward. The final report will be a full finding of the group's work, survey results and dialogue sessions. Recommendations will be included by each member organization of The Performance Coalition. Coalition members include American University School of Public Affairs, American Society for Public Administration, Council for Excellence in Government, George Washington Center for Innovation and Public Service, IBM Center for the Business of Government, Mercatus Center, National Academy for Public Administration Performance Institute and Partnership for Public Service. For more information, visit [www.transitionsingov.org](http://www.transitionsingov.org) or contact [Evie Barry](#).



### **Social Insurance: Call for Public Comment; Public Hearing Set**

In October 2006, the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) released a Preliminary Views document presenting two perspectives regarding appropriate liability recognition for obligations arising in social insurance programs, which are key programs such as Social Security and Medicare. In addition, the Preliminary Views document includes an alternative view proposing to require a Statement of Fiscal Sustainability for the government's consolidated financial report that would provide projections for the entire government, including information necessary to assess the sustainability of social insurance programs and information on intergenerational equity. **Comments are due April 16, 2007.** In addition, the board plans to hold a public hearing on the [Preliminary Views document](#) at the May 23, 2007 FASAB meeting.

## **CGFM Corner**

### **CGFM Month Initiative Is An Overwhelming Success!**



To recognize the CGFM Program and its accomplishments, AGA has declared the month of March of each year as "CGFM Month." Thanks to the initiative and dedication of AGA regional and chapter leaders, at least 30 state and local governments have declared March 2007 as "CGFM month." Most of the proclamations have been posted on the [AGA website](#).

## **Articles**

### **FMSB Weighs in on Intangible Assets**

AGA's Financial Management Standards Board (FMSB) sent a comment letter March 23 to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) on the Exposure Draft of a proposed statement, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets*. In the comment letter, the FMSB asked that the GASB consider clarifying terms used in the ED such as "minimal incremental effort" and "nonfinancial nature" and commented on the specified-conditions approach to recognizing internally generated intangible assets. [Read the letter.](#)

### **Glare of Publicity Finds Inspector General Glenn Fine**

After Glenn A. Fine gave up a chance to play for the San Antonio Spurs of the National Basketball Association to accept a Rhodes scholarship in 1979, he stayed in shape as a member of Oxford University's basketball team. But the 5-foot-9 Fine, always eager for a challenge, also decided to try out boxing. "A bunch of us went and watched, and he got his nose bloodied and everything," recalled Nancy-Ann DeParle, a fellow Rhodes Scholar and an old friend. "I think he actually won the match, but it wasn't pretty." That mixed verdict might serve as a motto for any successful inspector general, the pugilistic post Fine has held at the Justice Department since 2000. As the in-house watchdogs at every federal agency, the inspectors general have enormous power to expose government bungling and misconduct. But doing the job requires them to confront their agency colleagues and bosses, time after time, with the excruciating details of how they have failed. —Scott Shane, *The New York Times*. [Read the entire article.](#)

## **GAO Wants More Muscle**

Congressional auditors typically don't expect a warm welcome when they come calling on federal managers. But U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) auditors say they've been encountering an especially uncooperative reception from managers these days as they inspect government programs and management. Before forking over any documents to the GAO, for example, U.S. Department of Homeland Security officials submit them for thorough and time-consuming legal scrubbing by a team of lawyers. The U.S. Office of Management and Budget resisted showing GAO auditors how they score agencies on meeting the president's management agenda. And for months, the U.S. Department of Defense has refused to hand over documents showing how security forces in Iraq are trained. Comptroller General of the United States David Walker says he's had enough. He's asking lawmakers to give him more muscle to wrestle information from reticent agency managers. Specifically, he wants authority to take sworn testimony from executive branch employees during the course of GAO audit investigations. —M.Z. Hemingway, *The Federal Times*. [Read the entire article.](#)

## **IRS Chief Says 2006 Tax Season Taxing the Agency**

The 2006 tax filing season has been unusually difficult for the Internal Revenue Service, thanks to late-breaking changes in the law, a one-time refund and a new deposit service, according to the top IRS official. IRS Commissioner Mark Everson said Tuesday during a televised address at the National Press Club that a package of tax break extensions not finalized until the end of December made the agency scramble to implement the changes in time for filing deadlines. In addition, Everson said, the IRS struggled with a one-time telephone excise tax refund for many taxpayers related to long-distance bills over the past several years. So far, the agency has had a surprisingly low claim rate of between 65 and 70 percent for the refund, he said. —Jenny Mandel, *Government Executive*. [Read the entire article.](#)

## **GASB Proposes New Standard for Endowments**

The GASB has issued a proposal related to the reporting of land and other real estate investments by endowments. Current accounting standards require endowments to report those investments at historical cost, although other entities that exist for the purpose of generating income—such as pension plans—report them at their fair value. The proposal would require permanent and term endowment funds and permanent funds to report these investments at fair value and to report the changes in their fair value as investment income. Read the [news release](#). Download the [Exposure Draft](#). The deadline for responding to the proposal is **June 29, 2007**. —GASB.

## **GASAC Provides Feedback on SEA Reporting**

The Governmental Accounting Standards Advisory Council (GASAC), which advises the GASB, met recently at the GASB offices in Norwalk, CT. [Read highlights of the meeting](#) from Sharon R. Russell, CGFM, AGA's representative to GASAC.

## **Public Comment Deadline Approaching for Social Insurance**

Tom Allen, chairman of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB), is seeking comments on Accounting for Social Insurance. He notes that “programs such as Social Security and Medicare present the most challenging governmental accounting questions most of us will face in our lifetimes. This topic has been considered by many illustrious bodies over the past several decades and should only be resolved by FASAB

after consideration of a broad base of responses. It is critically important that we hear both from our usual respondents and those 'outside the beltway.' " FASAB's Preliminary Views document presents two perspectives regarding appropriate liability recognition for obligations arising in social insurance programs, which are key programs such as Social Security and Medicare. In addition, the Preliminary Views document includes an alternative view proposing to require a Statement of Fiscal Sustainability for the government's consolidated financial report that would provide projections for the entire government, including information necessary to assess the sustainability of social insurance programs and information on intergenerational equity. Comments are due **April 16, 2007**. In addition, the board plans to hold a public hearing on the [Preliminary Views document](#) at the **May 23, 2007** FASAB meeting.

### SHARE YOUR NEWS

Do you have some interesting news that your fellow chapter members may be interested in? If so, please submit an article to the Newsletter Editor at [radvl@dhfs.state.wi.us](mailto:radvl@dhfs.state.wi.us). Deadline for submission of articles is the 25th of the month.

### ARE YOU MOVING?

If you are moving, or have already moved, please notify AGA National of your address change. You can update your address online at: [www.agacgfm.org/membership/form\\_address.htm](http://www.agacgfm.org/membership/form_address.htm). Don't forget to notify your local chapter.



## Southern Wisconsin Chapter Calendar of Events for 2006-2007

September 12, 2006 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
September 28, 2006 – City/County Public Health Agency Merger, Thomas Schlenker, MD, MPH, (Rocky Rococo-East)

October 10, 2006 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
October 26, 2006 – The Upcoming Election: Corruption, Finances, and Reforms, Jay Heck, Common Cause In Wisconsin (Dayton Street Café)

November 14, 2006 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
November 30, 2006 – “How to Avoid Taking Things Personally”, Stephen R Pearson, MA, LPC, Director, UW-Madison Employee Assistance Office (Dayton Street Café)

No December Luncheon Meeting

January 23, 2007 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
January 25, 2007 – Annual Tax Update (Imperial Garden)

February 21, 2007 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
February 22, 2007 – Cost Effective Ergonomic Solutions, Scott Smith, DHFS (Babe’s American Grill)  
February 27, 2007 – Audio Conference on CD: Procurement Cards (Rocky Rococo’s)

March 13, 2007 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
March 22, 2007 – Budgeting Issues, Vern Stenman, General Manager, Madison Mallards Baseball Team (Dayton Street Café)

**April 2, 2007 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison**  
**April 19, 2007 – Midwest Regional Rail: Planning, Funding, and Economic Impact, Andrew Sihler (J.T. Whitney’s)**  
**April 30, 2007 – Symposium Folder Stuffing at LAB (4-5)**

May 3, 2007 - *Annual Spring Symposium*, Tripp Commons, UW-Madison Memorial Union  
May 8, 2007 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison  
May 24, 2007 – Luncheon Meeting, Helen McCain, DOA Procurement (Mendota)

June 12, 2007 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

Note: Community service, VITA, and social events will be announced during the year.

## **2006 - 07 Chapter Officers & Board Members**

**President** – Eric Busse, DPI [eric.busse@dpi.state.wi.us](mailto:eric.busse@dpi.state.wi.us), 608-267-9199

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