



Monthly Footnotes

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February 2009 Luncheon Meeting Welcome Members and Non-Members

TOPIC: Implementing the Great Lakes Compact

SPEAKER: Eric Ebersberger

DATE: Thursday, February 26, 2009

REGISTRATION: 11:30 a.m. **LUNCH:** 11:45 a.m.

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

PLACE: Dayton Street Café (inside The Concourse-1 West Dayton)

MENU: All meals include soda, coffee, or tea

- * **Salad Bar** - variety of salads, toppings, soups
- * **Herb Marinated Chicken Breast Sandwich** – applewood smoked bacon, romaine lettuce, fresh mozzarella, avocado, vine-ripened tomato on ciabatta bread, served with fries
- * **Traditional Burger** – Fountain Prairie Farms dry-aged burger, served with fries

RESERVATIONS

Please call **Sherri Voigt** by **1 P.M. on Friday, February 20 2009** with your name and membership status, (608) 267-9818 or e-mail: 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 to this months meeting?

Last chance
to reach
lunch #3!

Who says there's no free lunch?

Members who attend 3 Training Sessions September to February

Earn a Free Lunch

Coupon Valid at the March, April, or May Lunch

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Sherri Voigt, CGFM, CPA

If you ran home from the October luncheon (Susan Schilz – Identity Theft Protection) and ordered a copy of your credit report... this is your reminder that it's time to check again.

Remember, you are entitled to one free copy of your report from **each** of the 3 credit bureaus in a year.

Despite the best of intentions, I did not run home that night and order one. I recently read a new idea: schedule this task in your calendar for every 4 months. And the best bet is to list which agency to order from each time so you know where you are at with the free reports.

If you missed the lunch, we published notes in the November newsletter. Visit our web

site at www.aga-wis.org and check out the newsletter archives (click on Newsletter and page down to the archive list.) This will help remind you of things to check on the credit report beyond just what accounts you have open. www.annualcreditreport.com/cra/index.jsp

For chapter news:

We collected \$39 in cash and a big bag of groceries for Second Harvest/local food pantries at the January lunch.

The brochure has been sent out for the April 13 Cost Allocation class (class notice below and available on our web site.) We are working on the Symposium agenda and the event is shaping up nicely. Be sure to save the date: Tuesday, May 12.

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Register Now – Don't Miss this Excellent Training Opportunity

COST PRINCIPLES AND COST ALLOCATION RULES, REGULATIONS FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED GRANTS, CONTRACTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

Monday, April 13, 2009
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Concordia University – Lakeshore Room
12800 North Lake Shore Drive
Mequon, WI 53097

Presented by Joseph Stertz
Sponsored by AGA Southern Wisconsin Chapter

See the full training brochure at our website! www.aga-wis.org

Contact Sherri Voigt at– sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov or (608) 267-9818

On the Lighter Side

An accountant is having a hard time sleeping and goes to see his doctor.

"Doctor, I just can't get to sleep at night."

"Have you tried counting sheep?"

"That's the problem - I make a mistake and then spend hours trying to find it."

From an accountant with an electric personality.

How many accountants does it take to change a light bulb?

Hmmm....let me run a few numbers and get back to you....

National News



From the National President

By: Samuel T. Mok,
CGFM, CIA, CICA

January marks the midpoint of my term as AGA's National President. I am only serving an 11-month term because of the PDC dates set years ago by the National Office staff. Given the contracted length of my term, my focus has always been on quality over quantity. As you will probably agree, good perfume usually comes in tiny bottles.

These past five months as your president have been like watching a foreign art film on fast forward. I am finally getting accustomed to the accent, the nuances and the unfamiliar story setting. Still, I am occasionally surprised by the developments unfolding before my eyes. I am working on anticipating and adapting to these unexpected plot twists, rather than just trying to keep up with the "storyline."

Since September, I have raised many issues in this *TOPICS* column. I expressed my concern over the lack of a validated executive director succession plan, the need for enhanced internal control documentation for the National Office finance operation, the consequences of not formally institutionalizing the governance protocol between the elected National President and the executive director and his executive staff, and the



clear demarcation of the responsibilities and accountability of the National President. Additionally, a number of Past National Presidents expressed concern over the National President nomination process, the role of the executive director in that process, and the appearance that Corporate Partner members are calling the shots at AGA conferences. I want to take this opportunity to submit to you a mid-term report on the status of these challenges. [Read the full mid-term report.](#)

Sam

From the National Office

If you have already registered for our Seventh Annual National Leadership Conference, we look forward to seeing you. You've made a smart investment in yourself and your organization. But if you have not yet registered, don't worry...there's still time. Discounts apply to all registration forms received on or before Jan. 16, 2009. Register online and save even more.

The NLC brings together the top minds in the industry to share leadership

secrets, the newest management techniques and the most recent information on always-changing standards and regulations. Sessions will cover hot topics, current issues and look at the effects of political transitions and what the future holds.

NLC 2009 will be bigger and better than ever. In addition to offering 14 CPE hours and an outstanding technical program, the NLC also provides unparalleled opportunities to network, exchange ideas and meet new friends.

Don't miss this opportunity to network with your peers and learn from the top financial management leaders and industry experts.

Don't forget to reserve your room at the JW Marriott on Pennsylvania Avenue. The AGA room rate is \$209 (plus tax) until Jan. 31, 2009, or until the block is sold out. To make a reservation, please call the hotel at 800.393.2503 and mention you are attending the "AGA NLC" to receive the discounted rate. Or, for your convenience, [you may also reserve a room online](#).

Information about the conference agenda, speakers and sessions is coming soon. Show your commitment to excellence—register today!

- [Register Online and Save!](#)

AGA PDC 2009 in New Orleans—Register and Reserve Your Hotel Accommodations Today

Join us in the "Big Easy" June 21–24, 2009, for AGA's 58th Annual Professional Development Conference

& Exposition (PDC) —*the* premier education and networking event of the year!

The PDC attracts more than 1,700 government financial management and accountability professionals to hear from the best minds in the industry at education sessions, in the Exhibit Hall and at daily social events.

The PDC is the authoritative source for the knowledge and contacts you need to succeed in today's constantly changing environment. At the PDC, you can hear from dynamic speakers, make new contacts, learn about the latest research, discover innovative management techniques and see the technological tools that can aid efficiency and improve effectiveness.

In addition to an excellent technical education program, the PDC is packed with opportunities to network with colleagues from around the country and make new friends. While you're here, please be sure to experience all the music, culture, history and fine dining New Orleans has to offer.

- [Download Registration Form](#)
- [Visit the Website](#)

Hotel Accommodations: This year's conference activities will take place in two hotels. The New Orleans Marriott will play host to the Registration Desk, Exhibit Hall, concurrent sessions and most of AGA's business meetings. The Sheraton New Orleans Hotel will host all of the general sessions and luncheons. For your convenience, both hotels are located on Canal Street and are directly across the street from each other.

We have reserved a block of rooms at both the New Orleans Marriott and the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel to

accommodate PDC attendees. The AGA room rate is \$120 per night (plus tax) for single and double occupancy. Rates are only guaranteed until **May 29, 2009**, or until the block is sold out. We encourage you to make your hotel reservations early, for the best price and availability.

To make a reservation, please call your preferred hotel at 800.654.3990 (Marriott) or 888.627.7033 (Sheraton) and mention you are attending the "AGA PDC" to receive the discounted rate.

AGA Unveils Certificate of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting

AGA now offers a Certificate of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting for governmental entities that prepare and distribute four-page reports that provide citizens with clear information on a government's financial condition, its

performance in providing services, and challenges it faces in the future.

These reports, known as Citizen-Centric Reports, have been adopted by 31 governmental entities, including cities, counties, states and federal agencies. The reports have proven to be an effective tool in increasing citizen awareness, involvement and trust in government, as they describe government finances in a way that avoids complex, off-putting technical detail and present the information in a visually appealing, straightforward way.

The Citizen-Centric Reports follow a suggested format, with the first page laying out community information; the second, a performance report on key missions and services; the third, cost and revenue information; and the fourth, a look forward to the year ahead. [Read about eligibility and judging guidelines.](#)



CGFM Corner

CGFM Proclamations - 2009

To recognize the CGFM Program and its accomplishments, AGA has declared the month of March as "CGFM Month" – more information in next month's Newsletter.

NEW!

December 2008 - the CGFM Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Requirements have been updated. While there have not been any major changes to the CPE policies, a number of provisions were clarified, modified or updated. Here is the summary of main updates (with references to the specific sections of the CPE Requirements document):

- Section 2-clarified the applicability of CPE requirements to all active CGFMs and the fact that there is no minimum number of hours required each year.
- Section 3-updated the section on retired status to reflect the recent changes to the retired status definition.
- Section 4-clarified circumstances warranting an exception.
- Sections 7 and 12-addressed the topic of taxation.
- Section 9-added clarification on criteria used to determine if programs qualify for CPE hours.

- Section 10-provided additional guidance on internal training programs; added additional examples of applicable activities such as web-based programs and audio conferences.
- Section 11-included specific questions to ask when making the determination of applicability of the hours.
- Section 12-updated the examples of topics and subjects list.
- Section 13-clarified applicability of basic or elementary courses and repeated courses or presentations.
- Section 14-explained the calculation of partial hours and updated the calculation of hours for self-study programs.
- Section 15-specified how CPE hours are awarded for course development.
- Section 16-updated the acceptable CPE documentation guidelines.

Annual CGFM Renewal Time

It is time to renew your CGFM designation and/or AGA membership! Below you'll find answers to frequently asked questions about CGFM renewal:

Q: How often do I have to renew my CGFM designation?

A: CGFM certification is renewed on an annual basis. The invoices are going out in February and the payment is due by March 31st. If you do not receive an invoice by the end of February, please call AGA at 1.800.AGA.7211. You can also renew your CGFM now in the

"Members only" section of AGA website (<https://members.agacgfm.org/>).

If your address has recently changed, please be sure to update your contact information with AGA and pay your dues in the "Members only" section of the AGA website. If your CGFM is not currently active, please visit www.agacgfm.org/cgfm/maintain/ for more information on reactivation requirements.

Q: What are the requirements for maintaining the CGFM certification in an active status?

A: To maintain the CGFM certification in an active status, CGFMs are required to: -- Pay the CGFM renewal fee by the due date every year.-- Complete at least 80 hours of continuing professional education (CPE) every two years in government financial management topics or related technical subjects.-- Maintain and, if requested by AGA, provide detailed information on CPE hours completed.

To retain the CGFM certification, all CGFMs must adhere to the AGA's Code of Ethics. By submitting their annual renewal payment, CGFMs affirm that they have and will continue to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics and that they have fulfilled the minimum CPE Requirements.

Q: How do I determine my CPE cycle?

A: Your first two-year CPE cycle starts on January 1st of the year following the one when your CGFM was awarded (for example, if your CGFM was awarded in 2001, your first CPE cycle was 1/1/02-12/31/03). The award date is listed on your CGFM certificate. Your current CPE cycle is listed on your renewal invoice.

For a table of all CPE cycles visit www.agacgfm.org/cgfm/maintain/cgfm_calendar.aspx.

Q: My two-year CPE cycle just ended on December 31, 2008, but I did not complete 80 CPEs in 2007-2008. Can I make up the deficiency?

A: Yes. CGFMs who have not completed the 80 CPE hours in 2007-2008 cycle have until March 31, 2009 to make up the deficiency. Any CPE hours completed toward a deficiency in one period must be documented in the CPE records and may not be counted toward the requirements for the next two-year period. More information on CGFM CPE requirements can be found on www.agacgfm.org/cgfm/maintain/cpe_requirements.aspx.

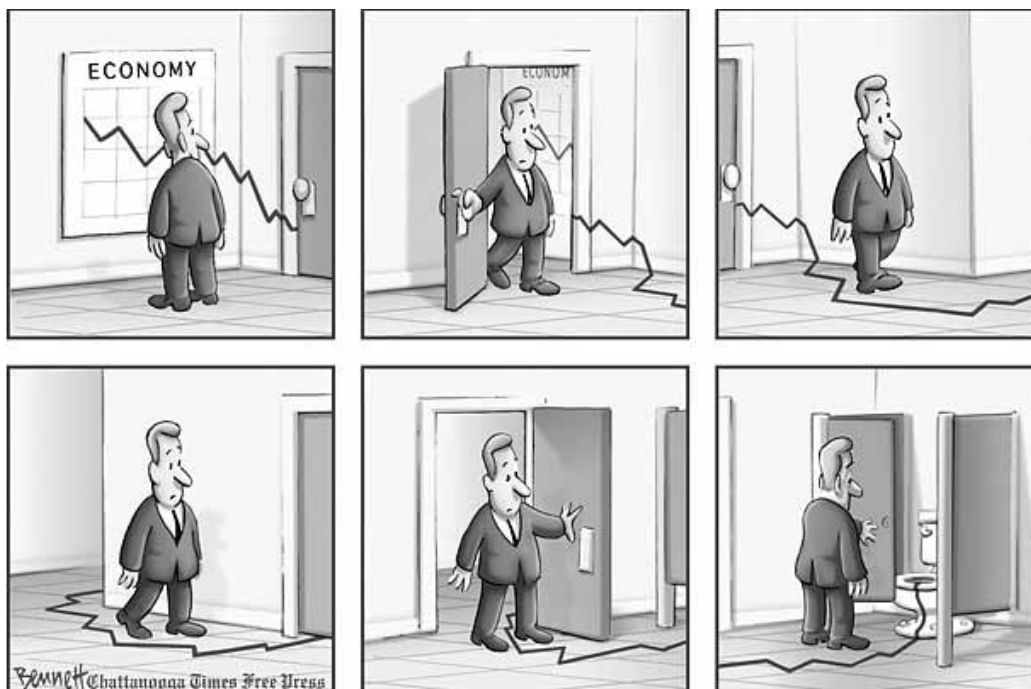
Q: I just retired. Do I need to do anything to adjust my CGFM status to "retired"?

A: Yes. Individuals who have permanently retired AND are not working in the field of

financial management can request an adjustment of their status to "retired" by contacting AGA's Office of Professional Certification (by mail or e-mail at agacgfm@agacgfm.org - please provide the date of retirement and confirm that since retiring you have not worked in the field of financial management). CGFMs in retired status are not required to remit the CGFM renewal fee or earn the 80 CPE hours, but must clearly indicate their retired status by using "CGFM-Retired" after their name and using "Retired" or "Retired status" on a resume, bio or other statements of qualification.

If retired CGFMs return to work in the field of financial management, they must contact AGA to change their status back to "active."

More information on CGFM renewal policies can be found on www.agacgfm.org/cgfm/maintain/.



Grant & Workplanning Coordinator

Job Announcement Code(s): 08-04059

County(ies): [Dane](#)
Classification **NAT RES ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY COORD 08-04059**
Working Title **Grant & Workplanning Coordinator**
Type: Full Time (40 hrs/week)
Salary: Starting salary range is between \$45,088/year and \$69,998/year depending upon qualifications. This position is non-represented and is in pay schedule/range 81-03. A six month probationary period is required. A criminal background check may be conducted.

Contact: Jill Voeltz, Human Resource Specialist, Human Resource Specialist, Jill.Voeltz@wisconsin.gov

Bargaining Unit Non-Represented
Deadline to 2/9/2009
Apply: **The deadline to apply is February 9, 2009.**
Exam 09140 - 006 NR Administrative Policy Coordinator
Information: [Preview Exam](#)

Job Duties: The Workplanning Coordinator is responsible for the development and management of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Department of Defense cooperative agreements, which support statewide work in hazardous substance cleanup in all Sections and Regions within the Remediation and Redevelopment Program. EPA grants include Superfund, RCRA Corrective Action, and Brownfields. This position also conducts program wide fiscal management functions such as developing and monitoring budgets/allotments, developing work task codes and providing fiscal/budgetary guidance to staff. This position also carries out several administrative policy coordinative functions of statewide benefit to the program, including: work planning coordinator; coordinating performance measures activities in the program; and serving as the program's coordinator for all Environmental Performance Partnership Agreement (EnPPA) negotiations.

Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Ability to evaluate multiple, complex issues, assess their value and apply to program areas; ability to apply analytical skills and techniques to analyze programs and determine proper approaches. Knowledge of report development, grant application and fiscal management. Communication skills including presentation of complex technical and policy materials in the form of letters, reports and analysis. Knowledge and ability to create and use computerized information and database systems. Ability to prioritize workload and manage records; effective problem solving and the ability to work cooperatively with others.

How To Apply: **If you wish to apply for this position you will be required to complete an online exam.** Your responses are considered an examination and will be used to determine the eligibility for this vacancy. To find out how to apply online, go to the application section or go directly to http://wisc.jobs/public/links_page_detail.asp?pageid=756

The deadline to apply is February 09, 2009. If you have any questions or are having any problems with the exam, please call Jill Voeltz at (608) 266-7318 or email at Jill.Voeltz@Wisconsin.gov . Application materials will be evaluated and the top candidates will be invited to the next step in the selection process.

ARTICLES

Report on Embezzlement Blames 'Culture of Apathy and Silence'

Former D.C. tax manager Harriette Walters was able to embezzle more than \$48 million over two decades largely because a "culture of apathy and silence" pervaded the District government's finance office, according to a report released yesterday. The 122-page document was the culmination of a yearlong investigation by the law firm WilmerHale, which was hired by the D.C. Council to conduct an independent review of the tax office scandal. Walters and 10 accomplices, who did not work for the city, have pleaded guilty to creating and laundering bogus tax refund checks. The embezzlement scheme has been called the largest involving a city or state government. The report lays out a damning account of the culture inside the Office of Tax and Revenue, where employees failed to report Walters's suspicious behavior to authorities and some "lined up" at her office door for handouts. — David Nakamura and Hamil R. Harris, *The Washington Post*. [Read more.](#)

Federal Accounting Corner Financial Data Conversion

Moving to a new system presents all sorts of challenges, not the least of which is how to represent data from the old system. Some agencies convert old-year data into an old fiscal year, which is then closed, while others load them in as beginning balances to the new year. Loading into an old year more faithfully replicates what had been done in the old system, but having two years open at once may cause confusion and usually taxes the system (i.e., two sets of year-to-date reports have to be run and there may not be any beginning balances in the new year until the old year is closed). — Simcha Kuritzky, CGFM, CPA. [Read the entire column.](#)

States, Cities Spar Over Stimulus Money

The nation's cities and counties are asking Obama transition officials to give them most of the infrastructure money from the multibillion-dollar economic stimulus package, setting off a dispute with the states over who can launch transportation projects the fastest. The disagreement over the stimulus money partly reflects the increased tension between state and local governments during a worsening recession. Many city and county leaders already are upset at state officials who are slashing aid to local governments to cover budget gaps. Their anxieties over being shortchanged were heightened Dec. 2 when 48 current and incoming governors met with President-elect Barack Obama to ask Obama to direct much of the stimulus money to states. — Stephen C. Fehr, *Stateline.org*. [Read more.](#)

U.S. Deficit Would Top \$1 Trillion Under Accrual Method

The federal deficit for 2008 would top \$1 trillion if the government had to use the same accounting methods as private companies. And that doesn't even account for the huge costs of the Wall Street bailout, which didn't really start until the new budget year began on Oct. 1. The government is promising \$49 trillion more than it can deliver on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid over the next 75 years unless Congress steps in to shore up the system. Some combination of tax increases, benefit cuts or other policy changes is needed to stave off unsustainable deficits. That was the finding Dec. 15 when the administration released a 188-page "Financial Report of the United States Government" for the 2008 budget year that ended on Sept. 30. The report, released by the Treasury Department and the White House budget office, found that under the accrual method of accounting

used by businesses, the deficit for 2008 would have totaled \$1 trillion—not the \$455 billion reported in October under the cash system of accounting. —*SmartPros*. [Read more.](#)

Madoff Arrest Raises Questions About SEC Oversight

The arrest of investment manager Bernard Madoff on allegations that he ran a \$50 billion "Ponzi scheme" raises questions about the effectiveness of the Securities and Exchange Commission's oversight of the investment management industry. The SEC and Department of Justice on Dec. 12 launched parallel suits against Madoff, 70, who oversaw Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC. Both agencies are trying to identify if any assets remain, but regulatory observers argue that there were several warning signs that should have triggered an SEC investigation much earlier. Madoff's investment-advisory business was subjected to oversight by the SEC in 2006, but a regulatory observer familiar with the fund said that agency staffers in the SEC's Office of Compliance, Inspections and Examinations never conducted a serious scrutiny of the fund. —Ronald D. Orol, *MarketWatch*. [Read more.](#)

Budget Gap Could Widen to \$200 Billion

States face their worst fiscal challenge in 25 years as the national recession could punch a \$200 billion hole in state budgets over the next two years; the head of the National Governors Association said Dec. 15. The economic tailspin also is hitting state spending. For the first time in 25 years, states expect to see a decrease in spending in the current fiscal 2009 budget cycle, NGA and the National Association of State Budget Officers said in the [Fiscal Survey of States](#) released last week. Thirty-one states will have to close nearly \$30 billion in deficits from their current budgets before they even begin drafting new fiscal plans for the

coming year. Five additional states also reported shortfalls, but didn't include figures. "As bad as the situation is for states right now, all indications are that the fiscal conditions for states will continue to deteriorate," NASBO Executive Director Scott Pattison said. The current recession, which officially began last December, is hitting states at all levels, Pattison said, including corporate and sales tax revenues whereas the 2001 recession hit primarily personal income taxes. "It's not a pretty picture," Pattison said. —Pamela M. Prah, *Stateline.org*. [Read more.](#)

GAO Backs Improved Oversight of Executive Pay-for-Performance

The government should improve the certification process for federal agencies with performance-based pay systems for members of the Senior Executive Service, according to a new report by the Government Accountability Office. The report (GAO-09-82) found that while oversight of the systems by the Office of Personnel Management and Office of Management and Budget generally was satisfactory, the two could identify ways to further improve and streamline the certification process for the SES pay system and provide agencies with the guidance, tools and training needed to implement those systems. Currently, agencies are allowed to raise the SES pay cap from \$158,000 to \$172,200 if OPM and OMB agree that an agency's appraisal system meets nine certification criteria. —Brittany R. Ballenstedt, *Government Executive*. [Read more.](#)

GASB Issues Two Documents

In mid-December the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued two final documents that, respectively, amend Concepts Statement No. 2, *Service Efforts and Accomplishments Reporting*, and provide guidance regarding

calculation of the annual required contribution (ARC) adjustment relating to pensions and other postemployment benefits (OPEB). Concepts Statement No. 5, *Service Efforts and Accomplishments Reporting* (an amendment of Concepts Statement 2) was developed based on the results of research conducted by the GASB and others and monitoring of practice over the 14 years since the issuance of Concepts Statement 2. Concepts Statement

5 does not establish accounting and financial reporting standards. The new Technical Bulletin, *Determining the Annual Required Contribution for Postemployment Benefits*, clarifies that the use of actual known amounts for purposes of calculating the ARC adjustment relating to pensions and OPEB is consistent with the intent of existing standards. For additional information, please visit www.gasb.org.

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 radivojevich@co.dane.wi.us. Deadline for submission of articles is the 25th of the month. Feel to send in topic suggestions or features to include.

COMMENTS

We would love to hear feedback on the newsletter changes. Let us know what you like, what you hate, what we can do better! Contact the Newsletter Editor at radivojevich@co.dane.wi.us or the Chapter President at sherri.voigt@wisconsin.gov.

ARE YOU MOVING?

If you are moving, or have already moved, please notify both your chapter and AGA National of your address change. You can update your address online at the national website: www.agacgfm.org/membership/form_address.htm.



Southern Wisconsin Chapter Calendar of Events for 2008-2009

August 4, 2008 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

September 8, 2008 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

September 25, 2008 – “The Elections of 2008: More Money Than Ever Before and Why is it Ruining Politics?” Jay Heck, Common Cause in Wisconsin (Concourse)

October 6, 2008 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

October 23, 2008 – Identity Theft Prevention, Susan Schilz, DATCP (Coliseum Bar)

November 11, 2008 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

November 13, 2008 – The Northern Mendota Parkway: The Agricultural Perspective, Pete Nowak, Gaylord Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies (Concourse)

December 2, 2008 – No Board Meeting

January 8, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

January 22, 2009 – Annual Tax Update (Imperial Garden)

February 3, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

February 26, 2009 – Implementing the Great Lakes Compact, Eric Ebersberger, DNR (Concourse)

March 10, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

March 19, 2009 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

April 7, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

April 13, 2009 – A-87 Class: *Cost Principles and Cost Allocation Rules and Regulations for Federally Funded Grants and Contracts* (Concordia University-Mequon)

April 16, 2009 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

May 3, 2009 – MS Walk, Madison, WI

May 5, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

May 12, 2009 - *Annual Spring Symposium – topics to be determined, UW-Madison Memorial Union*

May 21, 2009 – luncheon topic and location to be determined

June 2, 2009 – Board Meeting, Old Country Buffet, Madison

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

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