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**All-Day Training
 (8 CPEs)**

**Wednesday,
 March 18th**

**Using A-123 to
 Meet Risk
 Management
 Challenges**

**7 – 8 am
 Registration and
 Continental Breakfast**

8 – 12 4 CPEs

**12:30-1:20 Lunch
 (1 CPE)**

1:40 – 4:30 3 CPEs

**Registration at our
 website at:**

<http://www.novaga.org>
 and follow the links

Please pay upon
 registration through the
 Web site with a credit
 card.

Registration is filling up
 fast, so be sure to sign up
 now!

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

Location:
 DoubleTree Hotel
 Crystal City
 300 Army Navy Drive,
 Arlington, VA

Metro to Pentagon City,
 Pentagon, or Crystal
 City stops
 or

Park at Hotel for
 Reduced Rate of \$8

**Using A-123 to Meet
 Risk Management Challenges**

Our All-Day Training Session on Risk Management Imperatives is almost here!

Start the day with a **continental breakfast buffet** of cheese blintzes with strawberry sauce, whole fresh fruits, power bars, and Starbucks coffee and selection of Tazo teas as you sign in and greet your fellow attendees.

You will have an enlightening morning starting with **Keynote Speaker Jeanette Franzel**, Managing Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO.

Our first session **“DHS Internal Control Playbook and Internal Control Audits in the Federal Government”** features **James L. Taylor**, Deputy Inspector General, DHS, & **Michael Wetklow**, Internal Control Program Management Office, Office of CFO, DHS.

The morning continues with **“Best Practices in a Risk Management Office”** featuring **Phil Maestri**, Risk Management Officer, Department of Education.



**GAO's Jeanette Franzel
 Will Keynote our Training**



**David M. Zavada,
 MBA, CPA, CDFM,
 Partner, Kearney & Company
 Former Chief of the Financial
 Standards and Grants Branch
 in the Office of Federal
 Financial Management at OMB**

After a short refreshment break of bagels and assorted cream cheeses, you will learn how to **“Get Field Project Manager Buy-in for Internal Controls”** from **Mike Walsh**, Chief of Accounting at the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

This session is followed by a demonstration of Department of Transportation's **“Entity-Level Control Evaluation”** given by **Laurie Howard**, Director, Office of Financial Management, DOT.

Settle down for a delicious lunch of Caesar Salad, **Citrus Chicken Piccata** with sautéed asparagus and rice pilaf, and a dessert of Bread Pudding with cookie crumbs and Grand Marnier sauce, all accompanied by Starbucks coffee and a selection of Tazo teas.

For your enjoyment **OMB** is moderating a presentation by **David Zavada** and **Bill Hughes** on **“Using A-123 to Meet Risk Management Imperatives.”**



**Bill Hughes, CPA, CGFM,
 Managing Director,
 MorganFranklin**

The post-lunch session is sure to keep your attention, as **CJ Staton**, Vice President, CACI, discusses **Building Successful Government/Contractor Teams.**

Next, you won't want to miss **“Protecting Data” (Physical & Logistical IT Security)** presented by Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) CIO **John Garing**.



**Richard “Gus” Gustafson,
 CGFM CDFM
 Principal Deputy Director
 DFAS**

After our **“Afternoon on the Farm”** refreshment break featuring: sliced apples with caramel dipping sauce and chopped peanuts, kettle corn, assorted warm fruit turnovers, accompanied by sparkling apple cider and hot chocolate with marshmallows and shaved chocolate condiments, you're ready for our final session.



**John Garing
 DISA CIO &
 Director, Strategic Planning**

Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS)'s Deputy Director, **Richard "Gus" Gustafson** will wrap up the afternoon with **“Enterprise Risk Management.”**

Now you're ready to tackle any problem your Agency sends your way!

President's Message

February was a “happening” month for AGA and NOVAGA. NOVAGA celebrated Chinese New Year with the D.C. Chapter, held two audio conferences hosted by CACI, and we found out about some of the changes going on at Treasury from their Acting CFO, Mr. Al Runnels, at our monthly Chapter Meeting. Less than a week later some of us began the Annual Leadership Conference week with the Intensive CGFM workshop. Wow, intensive is almost too mild a description.



Once the tests were taken we could get on with the Leadership Conference - great training, great exhibits and great networking opportunities. Early Careers gathered for a Happy Hour post Leadership Conference. Finally on February 25th our Member Event for the month was a Wizards basketball game (vs. the 76ers it was close and exciting but in the end the 76ers were victorious). It is hard to believe the month is over!

NOVAGA's Annual Spring Training Event

March promises to not be outdone. I cannot give enough thanks to NOVAGA's Education Committee. Its members have been working tirelessly since late summer putting together NOVAGA's Annual Spring Training Event scheduled for March 18 at the Double Tree Hotel in Crystal City. This year's presentation theme - Using A-123 to Meet Risk Management Challenges - has attracted an outstanding group of speakers from Dept. of Education, DHS, DOT, DFAS, DISA, GAO, OMB and USACE and private enterprises - CACI, Kearney & Co, and MorganFranklin. See the agenda on page 5 of this newsletter listing all the great talk titles. At \$125 for AGA Members and \$150 for non-Members the 8 CPEs are quite a bargain. Look for registration information in this newsletter and on our website www.novaga.org . There is still space available!

In addition NOVAGA is presenting two more Audio Conferences, March 11th and March 25th , hosted by Clifton Gunderson LLP and NOVAGA Early Careers will be bowling at Lucky Strike Thursday, March 12th .

We have had extra tickets available for our Early Careers and Member events. I encourage all NOVAGA members to take advantage of some great entertainment, often at a discount - important in these tougher economic times. Check out the website for great pictures from past events.

Come network with people, learn and have some fun.
See you there!

Dennis Green

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2008 NOVAGA PROGRAM

Meeting Time and Place

The NOVAGA Chapter meets monthly on the third Wednesday of each month beginning September 2008 thru May 2009, except as noted in the schedule below. Registration begins at 5:15 pm with refreshments and continues with a featured speaker or program at 6:00 pm and concludes at 7:00 p.m. The time between 5:15 and 6:00 is a great time for networking!!

The NOVAGA Chapter meets at the Embassy Suites - Old Town, 1900 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, VA., except as noted in the schedule below. The Embassy Suites is conveniently located directly across from the King Street Metro station. Parking is available at the hotel at minimum cost (\$5.00).

Monthly Meeting Cost

Free for a member's first meeting, (must RSVP & let us know this is your first meeting) can become a member at the meeting so long as the membership application is left with the new members committee.

- \$15 reservation made in advance for members.
- \$20 reservation made in advance for non-members.
- \$20 no reservation made (walk-ins) for members.
- \$25 no reservation made (walk-ins) for non-members

Please pay upon registration through the web site using a credit card. Check and cash will be accepted at the registration desk for walk-ins.

Current Meeting Schedule:

Date	Presentation Length	Location	Speaker(s)	Topic	Type of Event	CPEs	Coordinator	Field of Study
3/18/2008	8 hours	Doubletree, Crystal City	Various	Using A-123 to Meet Risk Management Challenges	Annual Conference	8	Terri Patrizio	Accounting, Auditing
4/15/2009	50 minutes 5-7 pm	Embassy Suites Alexandria	Wes Miller US Army Corps of Engineers CFO		Monthly Event	1	Al Woost	
5/13/2009	50 minutes 5-7 pm	Embassy Suites Alexandria		Awards Banquet	Monthly Event	1	Dennis Green	

2008 - 2009 Member Events

Month	Activity	Date	Member Fee
Mar	March - Smithsonian Jazz Café	4 APR	
Apr	April - Virginia Vineyard Tour (new vineyards this year)	TBD	
May	May - Meadowlark Botanical Gardens Vienna, VA	TBD	
June	June - Nationals Game and Tailgate	TBD	

2009 NOVAGA SPRING TRAINING EVENT

Using A-123 to Meet Risk Management Challenges March 18, 2009 - 8:00 to 4:30 DoubleTree Hotel Crystal City 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 8 CPEs

7:00 – 8:00	Registration and Continental Breakfast (Lincoln Ballroom)
8:10 – 8:30	Keynote Speaker - Jeanette Franzel , Managing Director, Financial Management and Assurance, Government Accountability Office (GAO)
8:30 – 9:20	“DHS Internal Control Playbook and Internal Control Audits in the Federal Government” - James Taylor , Deputy Inspector General & Michael Wetklow , IC Program Management Office, Office of CFO, Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
9:20 – 10:10	“Best Practices in a Risk Management Office” - Phil Maestri , Risk Management Officer, Department of
Education 10:10 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 11:20	“Getting Field Project Manager Buy-in for Internal Controls” Mike Walsh , Chief of Accounting, U.S.Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
11:20 – 12:10	“Entity-Level Control Evaluation” (Tool Demo) Laurie Howard , Director, Office of Financial Management, Department of Transportation (DOT)
12:10 - 12:30	Break
12:30 - 1:20	Lunch : Office of Management and Budget (OMB) moderating a panel on Using A-123 to Meet Risk Management Challenges
1:20 - 1:40	Break
1:40 – 2:30	"Building Successful Government/Contractor Teams" - CJ Staton , Vice President, CACI
2:30 – 3:20	“Protecting Data” (Physical & Logistical IT Security) - John Garing , CIO, Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)
3:20 – 3:40	Break
3:40 – 4:30	“Enterprise Risk Management” - Richard "Gus" Gustafson , Deputy Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS)

Take Metro to Pentagon City, Pentagon, or Crystal City stops or
Park at Hotel for Reduced Rate of \$8

AGA Members - \$125 / Non-members - \$150
Register On-line at www.novaga.org

Roll Call – The NOVAGA Membership Report

By Robin G. McCoy
NOVAGA Membership Chair



Attention NOVAGA members: I need your assistance in recruiting state and local government finance and accounting professionals. If you have a point of contact in either state or local government, please e-mail their information to me at (robin.mccoy@dodig.mil). Also, if you bring your finance or accounting colleagues from the state or local government to the April's 2009 NOVAGA meeting you will be eligible to win a prize. Drawing will be held at the April's meeting.

Congratulations, to all of our new members. Please pick up your new member materials at the chapter meetings registration table.

Andrew Alabi, KFORCE Gov Solutions
Amy Countryman, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Eileen Detka, NASA
Martin Herbert, EM and I
Jeffrey Hubler, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Kenny Johnson, Cotton and Company LLP
James Kearney, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Steven Pigott, DLA
Beth Wheeler, PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP
Edward Applegate, MorganFranklin Corporation
James Fleischman, Dept of Defense
Shannon Hase, MorganFranklin Corporation
Catherine Smoot, Booz Allen and Hamilton
Wunphen Ngorskul, Farm Credit Sys Ins Corp
Sue Price, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearm

Shuhua, Chien, Miracle System LLC
Dori Delphi, FAA
William Dolan, Clifton Gunderson LLP
William Hill, DHHS
Scott Jemison, Grant Thornton LLP
Myrtle Nsekala, OPM
Curt Nusbaum, AOC Solutions
Hira Shafqat, Clifton Gunderson LLP
Sue Yu, Dept of Commerce
Jeremy Gahm, FinCEN
Randy McGinnis, Dept of HUD

Additionally, all new members should contact either Jackson Hufnagle at 202-512-9470 or Michael Lippert at 202-533-5638 to discuss what the chapter can do for you and when you are ready, what chapter activities you would like to pursue. Please feel free to share you thoughts, ideas and concerns for chapter improvement.



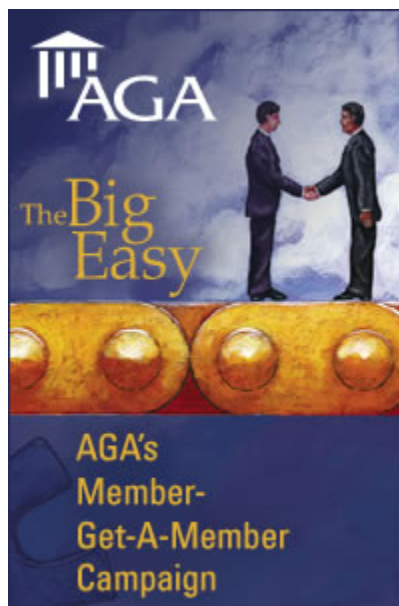
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Membership Campaigns

Share the value of an AGA membership with your friends and colleagues, and earn BIG rewards in the process. A growing AGA means a greater appreciation of the government accountability profession, improved educational and networking opportunities for all members, and the advancement of government financial management nationwide.

AGA's Big Easy Membership Campaign 2008-2009

Welcome to AGA's **Big Easy** Member-Get-A-Member Campaign— Every time you sponsor a new member you enhance AGA.



How the **Big Easy** Works:

1. Click [here](#) to download a membership application. You can also order applications by calling the Customer Satisfaction Center at 800.AGA.7211 and/or e-mailing agamembers@agacgfm.org.
2. Tell your peers and co-workers about AGA. Simply encourage your friends and peers to fill out AGA's membership application or complete the application online. Be sure to include your name in the sponsor's name category on the application.
3. The Big Easy Member-Get-A-Member Campaign will end on April 30, 2009; the grand prize winner will be announced shortly thereafter.

Big Easy Prizes

- Recruit **ONE** or more members, receive a *Sponsors Only* lapel pin and get recognized in *Topics* and on the AGA website



NORTHERN VIRGINIA CHAPTER

- Recruit **TWO** members and start earning *AGA Dollars*. You'll earn five AGA Dollars for each new member that joins. AGA Dollars are like cash and can be redeemed towards publications, membership dues renewals and national conference registrations.
- Recruit **SIX** members by January 31, 2009 and receive next year's membership dues renewal **FREE**.

Sponsoring 10 or More

- Recruit **10** or more members by March 31, 2009 and be placed into a fishbowl drawing for **Sony Blu-Ray DVD player** (valued at \$300).

Spotlight on Early Career/Tomorrow's Professionals New Members

- A **Garmin Nuvi GPS Navigation system** will be awarded to the AGA member who recruits the most new Early Career members during the Big Easy Campaign.

Sponsor Achievement Awards and Recognition

- **Recruiter of the Year (one winner)**— Receives complimentary **registration to AGA's 2009 Professional Development Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana** and an **Apple iPod touch**.
- **Top Sponsor (two winners)**—The next two members who recruit the highest amount of new members will receive a complimentary AGA national meeting registration.
- **Chapter Overall Growth (six winning chapters)**—Will each win a complimentary AGA national meeting registration and entered in a drawing to receive 15 exclusive AGA shirts to be given out to chapter members. Each chapter president and membership chair will be presented with an achievement plaque as well.

Start Recruiting Today!

Nominating Committee

The activities and events our Chapter sponsors and our members coordinate take time and we can use all the help we can get. That is why we have formed the new Nominations Committee. To help members decide what activities and committees might be right for them. So, we want to hear from any and all members that may be interested in getting involved in a Chapter committee or event. If you are interested but just may not know what would be a good fit for you, please call or email either Michael Lippert at 202.533.5638 or malippert@kpmg.com or Jack Hufnagle at 202.512.9470 or HufnagleJ@gao.gov . We would very much like to help find the right spot for you!

Audio Conferences

We have a new member benefit this year. Your chapter has ordered the remaining AGA Audio Training Teleconferences for the rest of the year! The next audio conference will again be held at the conveniently located Kearney and Company office just of I-395 and King Street. See article below for details. **There is no additional charge for NOVAGA members.**

Date	Length	Location	Speaker(s)	Topic	Type of Event	CPEs	Coordinator	Field of Study
Mar 11	100 minutes	TBD	TBD	Internal Controls	AGA Audio Conference	2	Ron Adolphi	TBD
Apr 8	100 minutes	TBD	TBD	Auditing	AGA Audio Conference	2	Ron Adolphi	AUD
May 13	100 minutes	TBD	TBD	Ethics	AGA Audio Conference	2	Ron Adolphi	BEH

Community Service Spotlight



By: Kristy Green, NOVAGA Community Service Director



Because of our Spring Training Event we do not have a Community Service organization represented for March. At our April meeting we will be featuring the United Service Organization (USO). — “Serving those who serve, and their families” is more than a tagline for the USO of Metropolitan Washington. It is at the heart of what we do every day. Every program and service we provide is centered around our desire to give back to the men and women who sacrifice so much for our country. Whether it is bringing in a celebrity to brighten the day of a patient in the hospital or a moon bounce at Deployed Family Fun Day, our goal is to boost the morale of the military community.

The USO of Metropolitan Washington is a non-profit 501(c)3 charity. We depend on the generosity of the local community to fund our work. Without the charitable contributions of individuals and corporations in the greater Washington and Baltimore area we would not be able to offer the variety of programs that help so many service members and their loved ones.



USO Care Packaging Party at Ft Belvoir Update

We are waiting for the next quarter’s calendar to be posted and the list of names that I have received has been given to the Care Package Coordinator. We are looking at a date in May.

Meanwhile the USO receives short notice requests to create care packages in between regularly scheduled Packaging Parties. These will have as little as half a day notice and are just right for donating time and talent on an individual basis.

Anyone interested in receiving notification of these last minute opportunities please contact me at kristyann66@yahoo.com and I will add you to the existing list and forward the messages requesting help to you as I receive them.

Also in April
As a Community Service
Ms. Vellie Dietrich-Hall of the Census Bureau Advisory Board
will be presenting information regarding the upcoming 2010 Census.

Community Service Raffle

NOVAGA Planned Community Service 50/50 Raffle Community Service Organizations & Events for 2008/2009

- April 15, 2009 ***** *Leslie Smith, Communications Manager, USO of Metropolitan Washington, Inc. and Vellie Dietrich-Hall, Census Bureau Advisory Board
- May - Banquet ***** TBD

*At each of the regular meetings, NOVAGA will hold a 50/50 raffle whereby tickets will be sold during the social period and a drawing held at the close of the meeting. The raffle proceeds will be shared equally by the winning ticket holder and the community service organization honored at the meeting.



Keep the Tradition Alive! *Registration is NOW OPEN for Walk MS 2009!*

Submitted by Alice Arielly, NOVAGA 2009 Walk MS Team Captain

While researching NOVAGA History, we found pictures from a NOVAGA team from over a decade ago! Clearly, we can't let that team down, so hurry and sign up for this year's **NOVAGA Walk MS** team.

We will walk this year at **Reston** on **Sunday, April 26, 2009**. Join us on the NEW 4.5 mile route that starts in front of the Reston Associates building. The 2009 NOVAGA Team has already raised \$345! Why don't you join us and uphold this long tradition?

Register now at MSandYOU.org/walk. Click on [Register](#) on the left side of the page. Click on [Register as a Team Member](#). Click on the [Search for a Team](#) button – there are lots of teams already registered – scroll down & select **NOVAGA**. Click on [NOVAGA](#) to see our team page, including a picture from a past year's walk. From there you can click on [Join Team](#) where you will be able to join & create your own personal web page. Or you can simply select the name of one of the team members and support us directly in our goals if you can't walk yourself. Donating online is fast, easy, and secure!



The April 1996 NOVAGA Walk MS Team
Includes Brian & Cathy Crowley, Julie Bryant, Joan Hobbs, Lex Stephani, Tom Roslewicz & Edna Knight, Horace Kreitzman, Ann & Charles Collins
Andrea Walker & Ronell Raaum (not necessarily in that order!)

If you have any questions, please contact me at the79rose@yahoo.com or contact the National Capital Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at (202) 296-5363 or WalkMS@MSandYOU.org.

NOVAGA History Book

The NOVAGA History Book is here! Version 1 has been posted to our Web site!

Visit www.novaga.org and click on History Project on the left. Alice Arielly has included information that we researched at headquarters, including combing through back issues of The Accountants Journal. We've also included information on the years from past newsletters.

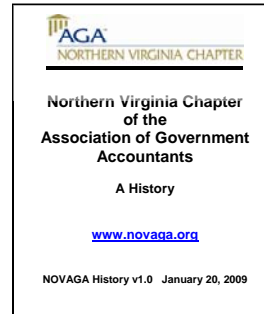
We are currently trying to locate all our past presidents so we can them and provide additional information about the chapter during The last time we officially invited our past presidents back was Awards Banquet. Now, five years later, we'd like to find more of them and invite them back for this year's banquet, which will be held on May 13th.

If you can help with providing information or pictures about our chapter's last 40 years or any of its presidents or long-time members, please email us at:

NOVAGA_History@yahoo.com

Also, if you have other suggestions or ideas for the NOVAGA research efforts, please let the Research Committee Chair know at branninp@aol.com. This is an opportunity for you to share your interest and knowledge about our profession and our organization with others.

Pat Brannin,
Research Committee Chair



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AGA National
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CGFM

What is CGFM?

The Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) designation recognizes the unique knowledge and skills of certification holders and has become the mark of excellence in government financial management. Each year the CGFM Program continues to grow and earn greater recognition from federal, state and local government. Virginia is one of seven states that formally recognize the CGFM designation, giving CGFM's preferred status in hiring, making the CGFM a substitute for one year's experience or offering pay increases to those who pass the exam.

Our chapter is actively promoting this credential. We have scheduled study groups starting in January to follow up on the classroom training we received in December. Please contact Jim Davis, NOVAGA CGFM Chair by e-mail at jbdavis@dodig.mil if you want to learn more.

The Northern Virginia Chapter of AGA plans to set up a study group in January for those who are enrolled in the CGFM program and have attended the CGFM training. In addition, we are also looking for volunteers who have recently passed the exam and have completed the program to assist in leading the study groups. If interested, please contact Jim Davis, NOVAGA CGFM Chair, at 703-601-5922 or by email at jbdavis@dodig.mil.

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 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.

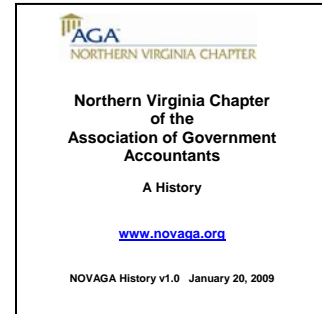
If retired CGFMs return to work in the field of financial management, they must contact AGA to change their status back to "active."

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

Research Committee

The NOVAGA History Book is growing! Look for Version 2 on our Web site by the time we have our March all-day training event!

Thanks to Robert France, we located Laura Koschny's extensive scrapbook from Julie Bryant's first NOVAGA Presidency in 1996-97 (see picture below from the October 1996 meeting presenting the Auditors General from the Army, Navy, & Air Force). It also finishes up Carol Stagg Christian's presidency and starts Tom Brown's year. History project chairman Alice Arielly has added all of that to the History book. We also located some old newsletters from John Laney's presidency in 2001-2, which we've included.



October 1996 NOVAGA Meeting

Tom Brown, Army Audit Agency & NOVAGA 97-98 President
 Jackie R. Crawford, Auditor General, US Air Force
 Richard Lyle Shaffer, Auditor General, US Navy & NOVAGA 00-01 President
 Francis E. (Gene) Reardon, Auditor General, US Army & NOVAGA 91-92 President
 Julie Bryant, NOVAGA 96-97 (& 02-03) President

Visit www.novaga.org and click on History Project on the left side to get to the book.



Past Presidents at May 2004 Banquet

(L-R) Ronell Raaum (92-93), Tom Druzgal (93-94), Edna Knight, Tom Roslewicz (90-91), Jim Durnil (85-86)

We have begun tracking down and interviewing all our Past Presidents. If you know any of them and can help – or were active in those early years – please let us know! We'd like to invite all our Past Presidents to this year's May 13th Awards Banquet so we can catch up with them.



Past Presidents at May 2004 Banquet

Mike Janoski (84-85) & wife Dorothy
 Bill Crouch (71-72), Fred Heim (73-74) & wife Janet

If you can help with providing information or pictures about our chapter's last 40 years or any of its presidents or long-time members, please email us at:

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Also, if you have other suggestions or ideas for the NOVAGA research efforts, please let the Research Committee Chair know at branninp@aol.com. This is an opportunity for you to share your interest and knowledge about our profession and our organization with others.

Pat Brannin, Research Committee Chair

Jazz it Up!
with



as we go to see the

Smithsonian
JAZZ

Masterworks Orchestra

Saturday, April 4, 2009 7:30 p.m.

Miles Davis's Kind of Blue and His Modal Period

Small Ensemble



Kind of Blue, recorded in 1959, was not only one of Miles Davis's masterworks but one of the most influential albums in jazz history. Davis's new formulation--influenced by George Russell's book *Lydian Chromatic Concept of Tonal Organization*--used scales or a series of scales for improvisations and became known as "modal." Modality was the framework for *Kind of Blue*, which included "So What," "Freddie Freeloader," and "All Blues"--all

destined to become classic tunes.

Event Registration: We are purchasing 20 advanced tickets. Registration is on a first come first serve basis.

www.novaga.org/calendarofupcomingevents.html

Contact John Gioeli 703-631-8840 cell 703-407-0440, jgioeli@beckerreview.com with questions.

Location details: Smithsonian, Washington, DC (building TBD)

Event Information: www.smithsonianjazz.org/sjmo/concerts_events/sjmo_concerts_events.asp

General Admission Tickets are \$25 - \$15 for AGA members and one guest

Event Time: 7:30 pm

Early Careers

Early Careers Event Bowling at Lucky Strike



Come join Early Careers for a night of bowling at Lucky Strike. Chip in for the lane and we'll chip in some food and drink!

Event Details

Location: Lucky Strike, 701 7th St (Verizon Center), Washington, DC

Date: Thursday, March 12th

Time: 6PM - 8PM

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