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The Kansas City Courier

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Reaching New Heights

Happy New Year! I hope that you have had an enjoyable holiday season. Can you believe that a new year has arrived already? This marks the halfway point of our current program year. During the first half, we have reached new heights in many areas. At the beginning of the year, we got off on a good start by timely submitting chapter leadership plans and rosters to national. Sixteen (16) new members have joined the Chapter since the beginning of the year. Our Chapter By-Laws are in draft, and we will have a copy on file at our national headquarters once again. We are getting closer to bringing our chapter website online. It is currently in the design phase. We had a wonderful Fall professional development seminar and for the first time, we worked locally with one of our partners – Becker Professional Education.

As of December 31, the chapter has provided 644 continuous education equivalence credits to its members and clients through our monthly training meetings and seminars. Through providing activities that promotes the mission of AGA, the chapter has earned 8,300 chapter recognition credits at the national level. Chapters with at least 12,000 will be recognized with a plaque at National Professional Development Conference in Atlanta. For the past two years, the chapter has received the highest award (Platinum) by earning over 19,501 credits.

The remainder of this program year will be very challenging. We will once again call upon you to help the Chapter meet its goals and bring home the Platinum award again this year. Our biggest challenge will be to have the chapter organized and ready to go for the next program year.

In completing this program year, we have two major events to accomplish, our Spring Seminar and awards ceremony. Look for these events in the months to come. We also have a lot of work in between these events to stay platinum.

Toward the goal of being ready for the upcoming year, we have a nominee who volunteered to fill the chapter's webmaster position. Don't hesitate! We still need nominees for our remaining CEC positions, and we have a short time period to get this done. As we stated earlier, our goal is to have a standing CEC for 2011-2012 in place by February 28. So, if you like being a leader; being a part of a winning team; accomplishing meaningful goals; having a positive impact on your profession and organization, then, become a part of our CEC. Usually, on the last page of our newsletter is a list of our current CEC members and positions. If you have questions about any of the CEC positions, contact the person currently in that position, our President-Elect, Past President, Secretary, or myself.

Everything the chapter has accomplished resulted from your participation in AGA activities, both local and national activities. You, as members of AGA, have continued to dedicate yourselves to upholding professional standards set for government and private sector financial accountability professionals. The Chapter exists to serve you! It cannot exist without your willingness to serve each other!

The chapter has received scholarships to send three incoming CEC chairs to the National Sectional Leadership Meeting (SLM). The SLM is where chapter incoming committee chairs get the chance to meet other chapter's incoming CEC chairs, regional new officers, national committee counterparts and AGA National Office staff to discuss goals, objectives and expectations for the upcoming program year. The RSVP deadline for us to use these scholarships is March 11. More details about the SLM can be found in this newsletter and on the AGA National website.

The AGA's 60th Annual Professional Development Conference (PDC) will be in Atlanta on July 10-13, 2011. See the announcement in the newsletter and make plans accordingly.

Our next training meeting will be on January 18, 2011 at Cascone's. I hope to see you there. See the newsletter for more details.

Oscar Williams, CGFM
Chapter President

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

[Challenges – Climbing to New Heights with AGA!](#)

The Kansas City AGA Chapter would like to remind you of the sponsorship of this year's AGA Membership Opportunity – *Challenges – Climbing to New Heights with AGA!*

We have only two more months, January and February, to give all potential members a ticket which will give them a chance to win an AGA membership and the sponsoring member a great gift. The more times you attend a meeting, the more chances you have at winning. During the March 2011 meeting, we will draw five (5) tickets. Those five (5) tickets will be the winners and all winners will be given a free membership.

The AGA Membership Opportunity will be a great way to enjoy the association and climb to new heights!

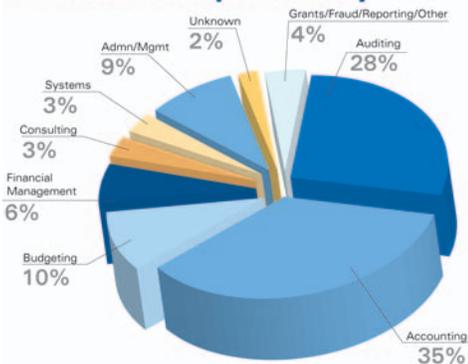
Please contact Connie at Constance.Smith@kcc.usda.gov with any questions about membership.



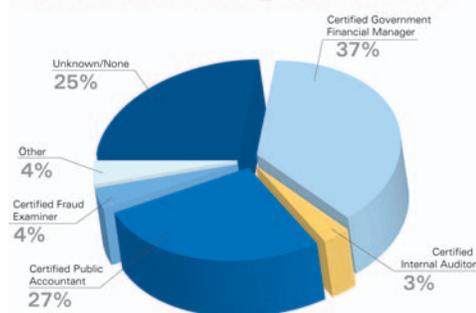
Who Are Our Members?

Diversity continues to be AGA's greatest strength. AGA's 15,000 members work for state and local governments, federal agencies, academic institutions, private firms and tribal organizations. The Association's membership crosses all fields and disciplines, including accounting, auditing, budgeting, contract management, finance, grants management and systems. AGA members are students and entry-level employees and mid-level professionals and senior executives and elected officials. No other professional association boasts such a diverse membership.

Areas of Responsibility



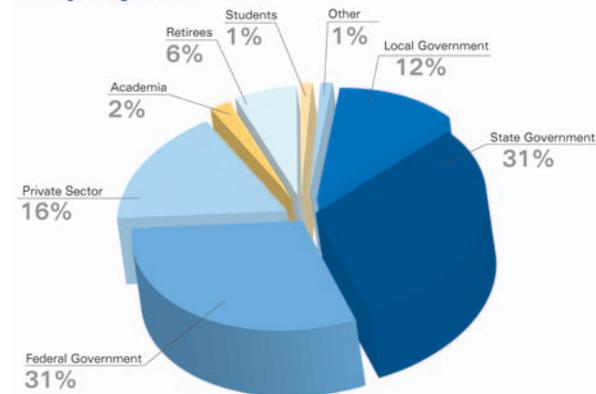
Professional Designations Held



Membership Demographics

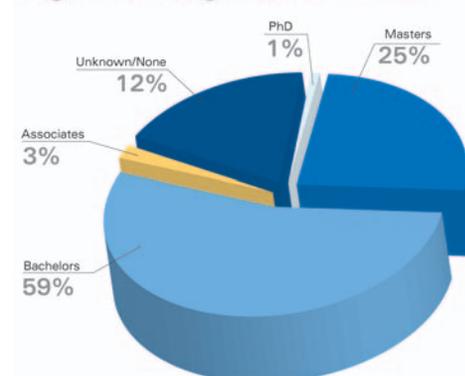
AGA members are employed by state and local governments (43%), the federal government (31%) and the private sector (16%). The remainder is made up of students, retirees and academicians. These individuals hold middle (73%) to senior level (20%) positions in their respective workplaces.

Employers



Regarding gender, just over half of AGA members are female (51%). AGA members represent a wide spectrum of ethnic backgrounds - African American, Asian, Chicano/Mexican American, Latino, Native American, Puerto Rican and Caucasian.

Highest Degrees Earned



CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NEWS

JANUARY LUNCHEON MEETING

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 18, 2011, 11:30 a.m.

Location: Cascone's Italian Restaurant , 3733 North Oak Trafficway,
Kansas City Missouri

Speaker: Beth Phillips, United States Attorney

Topic: Recent civil funded fraud cases, e.g. mortgage fraud

We are looking forward to hear from United States Attorney, Beth Phillips addressing the January 2011 monthly meeting of the Kansas City Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants. Please join us first, for a lunch at Cascone's on North Oak Trafficway, followed by Beth's presentation. She will present information on recent cases in the United States Attorney's Office. Most of these cases will probably involve civil funded fraud, as in mortgage fraud, etc. Since these cases may have been front page news, the information will be interesting as we hear, "the rest of the story."

Please contact Jim Kirk to sign up for the January luncheon meeting.

Jim Kirk, CGFM, James.H.Kirk@usace.army.mil

CEC, Meeting Co-Chair

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners
Kansas City, Missouri



December 18, 2010

Dear Colleague:

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the Greater Kansas City Chapter of Certified Fraud Examiners will hold its Winter 2010 Workshop on January 25, 2011. Assistant United States Attorney Tanya Treadway and BKD Director Shauna Woody-Coussens will each give presentations on high profile medical fraud and forensic accounting and fraud investigations, respectively.

Ms. Treadway will discuss "How Financial and Forfeiture Investigations Build Strategies For Successful Health Care Fraud Prosecutions."

Ms. Treadway is an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Kansas, concentrating on complex fraud matters. Since 1994, she has been the lead prosecutor for health care fraud cases in Kansas, and has been nationally recognized by former Attorney General Janet Reno and former FBI Director Louis Freeh for her successful prosecutions of complex fraud cases. In October 1999, Ms. Treadway received a Director's Award from the Executive Office for United States Attorneys for her commitment to health care fraud prosecutions.

Ms. Woody-Coussens will give a presentation entitled: "From Ticket Scandals To Vendor Scams: Stories From The Trenches."

Ms. Woody-Coussens is a Director in the Forensic and Valuation Services practice of BKD, LLP where she specializes in forensic accounting and fraud investigations and serves as an expert witness with regard to damage calculations in complex commercial litigations. She also serves as BKD's subject matter expert with regard to investigations under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. She has led teams involved in the review of several highly publicized matters including Gold Bancharas, the HEDFC Beacon Hill investigation for the City of Kansas City, the Junction City, Kansas Housing Program, the internal ticket investigation for the University of Kansas, and reviews conducted for the Kansas Board of Regents at Kansas State University and the University of Kansas.

The workshop will provide four (4) hours of CPE and it will be held at the KU Edwards Campus, 12600 Quivira, Overland Park, Kansas. Registration will begin at 7:30 am and the workshop will begin at 8:00 am and conclude by 12:00 pm.

The cost for the workshop is \$50.00. The fee includes continental breakfast, fruit, pastries and beverages.

Payment is expected with the reservation form or with prior approval to be delivered upon check-in.

The chapter reserves the right not to accept registrations the day of the seminar.

Since seating is limited to sixty (60) attendees, chapter members will be provided priority commitment registration.

Enclosed, is a registration commitment application. If requested, an agenda will be mailed with your confirmation notice.

Ample parking is available on the east and south side of the Edward Campus Building. Parking can be accessed on the east side from Quivira and on the south side from 127th Street.

Please note that the temperature and comfort of the room does vary throughout the day. **For your own comfort, please bring a sweater or jacket for room temperature fluctuations.**

To secure your reservation, please make your check payable to “KC-CFE” and mail it along with your registration form to:

Greater KC-CFE
P. O. Box 12245
Overland Park, Kansas 66212

If you have any questions, please call me at (913)888-4779 or e-mail me at tpage3@kc.rr.com.

Sincerely,

Tim Page, CFE
Secretary/Chapter Training Director
Greater Kansas City Chapter of
Certified Fraud Examiners
P. O. Box 12245
Overland Park, Kansas 66212
Enclosures

REGISTRATION COMMITMENT
GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER OF CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINERS
HEALTH CARE FRAUD AND FORENSIC/FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS

January 25, 2011

NAME: (MR./MS.) _____

HANDOUT PREFERENCE: ELECTRONIC (if available) OR HARD COPY (circle one)

TITLE: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: (____) _____ EXT: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

(Seminar confirmation will be sent via e-mail upon request)

ARE YOU A CFE? (YES/NO) _____ CFE (# _____)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS: (CPA, etc.) _____

NAME ON BADGE: _____

You may now pay by credit card – circle that payment option and a PayPal link will be sent to you by e-mail.

PAY BY CHECK: \$50.00

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REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS:

CFE's: CFEs MAY CANCEL WITHOUT CHARGE. CANCELLATIONS ON OR AFTER THE START DATE OF THE WORKSHOP ARE TRANSFERRABLE TO FUTURE WORKSHOPS AND ANNUAL SEMINARS ONLY.

NON-CFE's: Non-CFEs MUST CANCEL AT LEAST 14 DAYS BEFORE THE WORKSHOP DATE FOR A REFUND WITHOUT CHARGE. CANCELLATIONS RECEIVED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE WORKSHOP DATE ARE SUBJECT TO A \$10 NONREFUNDABLE SERVICE CHARGE. CANCELLATIONS ON OR AFTER THE START DATE OF THE WORKSHOP ARE TRANSFERRABLE TO FUTURE WORKSHOPS AND ANNUAL SEMINARS ONLY.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

Greater KC-CFE
P. O. Box 12245
Overland Park, Kansas 66212

PLEASE RETURN ONE FORM PER PERSON. THIS FORM MAY BE PHOTOCOPIED, IF NECESSARY.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT WILL BE SENT OUT ON A SEPARATE DISTRIBUTION

Chapter Executive Committee—Program Year 2010–2011

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From National:

Sectional Leadership Meeting

Spring is still a few months away, but it's never too early to plan for the Sectional Leadership Meeting (SLM)! As a newly elected AGA leader in Sections 2 and 3, you are invited to attend the SLM in Dallas, TX on May 12-14. Below is information regarding who is invited, location, dates and deadlines. Please review this information carefully and let me know if you have any questions.

What is the SLM?

The SLM is designed to bring national, sectional, regional and chapter leaders together with AGA National Office staff to discuss the following objectives:

- AGA's national direction and initiatives
- Expectations of our national, regional and chapter leaders
- Ways to improve services to current members and recruit new members and leaders
- How to access information to be a more effective leader

Location

Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Marriott
8440 Freeport Parkway
Irving, Texas 75063

Who's Invited?

Listed below are the AGA leaders invited to attend the SLM.

- Regional Vice Presidents, Regional Vice President-Elects and Regional Vice President-Elect Designates
- Regional Coordinators for Chapter Development and Assistance, Membership/Early Careers, CGFM and Education who are not in the last year of their term
- **Chapter President-Elects**
- **Three additional incoming Chapter Executive Committee Chairs.** These attendees can be whomever the chapter feels would benefit the most from attending a SLM. Suggestions include: Membership or Early Career Chair, CGFM Chair and Education Chair.

When Should You Arrive?

Regional Officers should arrive at the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport Marriott by 6pm on Thursday, May 12 for an SVP led session designed to assist you in your role as RVP/RC. All SLM attendees should plan to arrive in plenty of time to start the SLM at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, May 13. The dress code for the SLM is business casual. We recommend you dress in layers or bring a jacket in case the meeting room temperature is not comfortable for you.

RSVP by March 11, 2011

Attached is the RSVP form to be completed by all attendees and faxed or e-mailed back to for processing. An e-mail confirmation will be sent to attendees and an additional hotel confirmation will be sent prior to the SLM.

Hotel & Travel Expenses

AGA will cover all reasonable expenses associated with your travel to Dallas, including hotel accommodations, parking, mileage reimbursement and taxi fare. You can book airfare at no cost to you through AGA's travel agent, Avenue Travel. Please contact Steve Gardner at steve@avenuetravel.com or call 888.548.5554 to book your flight. Note that flights must be purchased at least 30 days prior to the event.

For more information, go to http://www.agacgfm.org/about/governance/slm/section_II.aspx and contact your chapter president.

AGA Federal Financial Systems Summit

January 11, 2011
Washington, D.C.
8:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.
7 CPEs

Event is FREE for Federal Government Executives – Private Sector* Participation is Available Through Sponsorship Only

Six months have passed since OMB issued Memorandum M-10-26, which effectively shut down new task orders or procurements for all financial systems projects pending OMB review and approval.

On January 11, AGA will host a one-day event that brings together federal financial managers and the private sector executives* to discuss the practical implications of the memorandum. We will hear from several large and small agencies on their approaches to the new requirements and their lessons learned. We will also hear perspectives on where things are moving in terms of technology modernization from both government and the private sector.

Agenda At A Glance

8:30 – 9 a.m.

Registration (Exhibit Hall Open)

9 – 9:10 a.m.

Welcome and Overview

Relmond Van Daniker, DBA, CPA, AGA Executive Director

9:10 – 10 a.m.

Opening Keynote from OMB

Danny Werfel, Controller, U.S. Office of Management and Budget

10 – 11 a.m.

Treasury's Office of Financial Innovation and Transformation (OFIT) Initiatives

Adam Goldberg, Director, Financial Innovation and Transformation, U.S. Department of the Treasury

11 – 11:30 a.m.

Break in Exhibit Hall

11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Lessons Learned from Several Agencies

Jolene Lauria-Sullens, Deputy Assistant Attorney General and Controller, U.S. Department of Justice
Todd Grams, Acting Assistant Secretary for Management, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
James L. Taylor, Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Department of Labor
Mark Easton, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), U.S. Department of Defense

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch in Exhibit Hall

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Private Sector Panel

2:30 – 4 p.m.

Future of Technology Modernization Keynote

Vivek Kundra, Chief Information Officer, U.S. Office of Management and Budget

4 – 4:20 p.m.

Wrap Up

Relmond Van Daniker, DBA, CPA, AGA Executive Director
Danny Werfel, Controller, U.S. Office of Management and Budget

Walter E. Washington

[Convention Center](#)

801 Mount Vernon Place NW
Washington, DC 20001

Online ONLY registration is complimentary for federal government executives. Private Sector participation is available through sponsorship only (contact [Susan Fritzlen](#))

Register now! Status: Active

Total Functions: 1

Date: 01/11/2011 thru 01/11/2011

Early Registration Deadline: 01/09/2011

Late Registration Deadline: 01/01/2011 Event Contact: jbruce@agacqfm.org

Thank you for registering online! Please contact us at 1-800-242-7211 if you need additional information or to make changes to your registration.

AGA's 60th Annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition

Mark your calendar for **July 10–13, 2011** and make plans to join us in Hotlanta for AGA's 60th Annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition (PDC)—*the* premier education and networking event for government financial managers and accountability professionals. The theme for this year's conference is "Celebrating Our Past, Embracing the Future."

The PDC is the authoritative source for the knowledge and contacts you need to succeed in today's constantly changing environment. Offering 24 CPE hours, the conference covers the latest research and information about the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the constantly changing rules and standards, new management techniques, technological advances and practical tips for bringing greater efficiency to government operations. The PDC offers a comprehensive program, captivating speakers, lively discussions, top-quality education sessions, and equips you with knowledge and skills you need to be a more effective leader.

In addition to an outstanding technical program, the conference features a numerous networking events to help you make new contacts, exchange ideas and collaboratively work on solutions to common problems. Exhibitors are also available to demonstrate the newest products, tools and cutting-edge technology available to help your agency achieve its mission.

PDC 2011 will be bigger and better than ever! This event is packed with dynamic speakers, informative sessions and unparalleled opportunities to network. And now, everything you need to know about the agenda is available online at http://www.agacgfm.org/pdc2011/general_info.htm.

Certification Opportunities

For more than 60 years, the AGA has provided the cutting-edge continuing professional education and training that government financial managers need. Through conferences, courses, training events and the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) Program, AGA and its network of more than 90 chapters deliver thousands of hours of continuing professional education hours each year.

Becker Professional Education programs and the AGA have renewed their annual cooperation agreement this month. This agreement provides AGA members with discounts for using Becker review classes. If you are a federal employee, Becker will provide a discounted rate of \$1930 for the CPA Exam Review full four part course. New for 2011 is a larger discount of \$600 (increased from \$300 in 2010) off the list price for AGA members that are State and Local Government employees. If you are an AGA member but not a government employee, Becker provides a \$300 discount off the list price. If an AGA member chooses not take the discount, they may receive the Becker CPA flashcards at no cost instead with registration for a four part review course. The agreement also provides that AGA members may receive a discounted rate of \$150 per person per year for an agency sponsored direct bill CPE Distance Learning subscription and a discount off the list price for the Stalla Chartered Financial Analysts Review System. You must identify yourself as an AGA member when registering with Becker. If you have any questions regarding the discounts, please contact Becker's Director of Government Programs, John Gioeli at 703.631.8840.

AGA Sponsored Training Courses



AGA offers a variety of classroom-type training courses to meet your staff's training and education needs. These AGA sponsored courses can be designed around your particular requirements and are presented at your facility by experienced and knowledgeable financial management professionals. Participants are awarded from 8 to 16 CPE hours at the conclusion of each course. **Courses Include:**

- A New Service Model: Auditor Roles in Government Performance Measurement
- Assessing the Quality of Performance Information and Performance Reports
- Assessing the Reliability and Relevance of Performance Information
- Auditing Performance Management Systems
- Communication Skills for Today's Workplace
- Compliance with the Yellow Book
- and, many more! Available courses can be found at www.agacgfm.org/education/educationdefault.aspx. For further information or to discuss your training needs in more detail, contact [Lynn Hoffman](#).

AGA Nominating Committee Presents Slate of National Officers with Terms Beginning July 1, 2011

AGA's National Nominating Committee has selected its slate of officers to serve on the National Board of Directors for 2011–2014, and the slate was presented to the National Executive Committee at its meeting on Dec. 3.

Evelyn Brown, CGFM, a member of AGA's Washington, D.C. Chapter, tops this year's Nominating Committee slate as National President-Elect. **John H. Lynskey**, a member of AGA's Washington, D.C. Chapter is the National Treasurer-Elect. The 2010 Nominating Committee spent hours in November evaluating and discussing the 36 nominations for all 19 national positions. And, perhaps for the first time in AGA's history, all nine members of the 2010 nominating committee were from chapters outside the Capital Region.

"It was truly amazing to have so many individuals step up to the plate and allow their names for consideration for national service to our profession" said Billy Morehead, Ph.D., CGFM, CPA, chair of the Nominating Committee and AGA Immediate Past National President. "Your Nominating Committee took its role seriously. We considered many factors for each nominee including their professional and personal experience, leadership qualities, AGA chapter, regional and national involvement, geography and the vision of each nominee. We are pleased to present this talented slate of officers to the full AGA membership and we expect them to represent us well in the years to come."

National President, National Treasurer and Regional Vice Presidents come on board as “elects” effective July 1, 2011, while Senior Vice Presidents come on board in full capacity.

Brown, who has more than 34 years of government financial management experience, recently retired as deputy chief financial officer of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. In the deputy CFO role, she worked with the Chief Financial Officers Council to improve federal financial management. Her experience also includes directing financial reporting and serving as audit liaison with the Office of Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office for the U.S. Department of Transportation. After retiring from federal service she has worked on special projects as a financial management consultant for Suss Consulting, and has worked with both Deloitte and IBM.

She has been active in AGA on the chapter, regional and national levels and now serves as Regional Coordinator for Chapter Development and Assistance for the Capital Region. She is the sister of 1989–1990 AGA National President Virginia B. Robinson, CGFM.

Lynskey serves as the National Science Foundation’s controller, with responsibility for the agency’s daily financial operations, including financial statements and financial reporting, including recipient reporting under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Prior to joining the agency, he served eight years with the U.S. Secret Service where he developed the Secret Service’s first financial statements. He also worked in the private sector for Deloitte, Haskins and Sells.

He serves on AGA’s Budget and Finance Committee and has served as the Washington, D.C. Chapter’s treasurer and in other roles. Lynskey and his wife Elizabeth, who is on the staff of the Maryland State Legislature, have two daughters, ages 5 and 9.

In addition to Brown and Lynskey, the slate includes:

Senior Vice President at Large: John Edward Homan, CGFM, CPA, Northern VA Chapter
Senior VP for Regional Services, Section III: Elizabeth M. (Marsi) Woody, CGFM, Idaho Centennial Chapter

RVP-Elects – Section I

New England Region: Linda L. Gover, Aroostook County Chapter
North Central Region: Heath Wolfe, CGFM, Chicago Chapter
Northeastern Region: Kenrick A Sifontes, NY Chapter
Ohio-Michigan Region: Justin Christopher Sponseller, Greater Columbus Chapter

RVP-Elects – Section II

Midwestern Region: Frank Faughn, Lincoln Chapter
South Central Region: Pamela R. Hill, Montgomery Chapter
Southwestern Region: Bertha Tafoya, El Paso Chapter
Texas-Oklahoma-Arkansas: Bob Broughton, Central Arkansas

RVP-Elects – Section III

California Region: Charles W. Hester, CGFM, CPA, San Francisco Chapter
Northwestern Region: Charleen Patten, Olympia Chapter
Pacific Rim Region: Doreen Crisostomo, Ph.D., CGFM, Guam Chapter
Rocky Mountain Region: James Wells, CPA, Northern Nevada Chapter

RVP-Elects – Section IV

Mid-Atlantic Region: Mark Anthony Morehouse, CGFM, VA Peninsula Chapter
Capital Region: Kim S. Farington, DC Chapter
Southeast Region: Karen B. Hale, CGFM, Nashville Chapter

As outlined in the Association's bylaws, AGA will accept independent nominations from AGA members via petition until Feb. 1, 2011. At that time, if other candidates are nominated, the Bylaws and Procedures Committee will conduct an election to determine the officers. However, if no other nominations are received, the committee's slate will take office effective July 1, 2011.

Other Event in the Kansas City Area

Leading at the Speed of Trust

Leading at the Speed of Trust



Live Keynote with Best-selling Author Stephen M. R. Covey

DATE & LOCATION

April 6, 2011
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Hosted at:
Winter Garden on the
Sprint Campus 6220

Return to shareholders in high-trust organizations is almost three times higher than the return in low-trust organizations.

What is trust costing you?

Agenda

8:00 a.m. Check-In & Continental Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Keynote Presentation

With a crisis of confidence impacting organizations around the globe, trust is a more vital, hard-hitting business issue than ever. Stephen M. R. Covey, author of the best-selling book ***The Speed of Trust***, will present the case for making trust your strategic advantage.

Trust is a learnable and measurable skill that makes organizations more profitable, people more promotable, and relationships more energizing. Don't miss this opportunity to see Stephen M. R. Covey live, where he'll demonstrate how trust:

- Accelerates growth.
- Increases shareholder value.
- Enhances innovation.
- Improves collaboration and execution.

REGISTRATION	PRICING
Click here to register at http://www.franklincovey.com/reg/?trust or Contact Tom Schreiber at 913-568-2111 or tom.schreiber@franklincovey.com	<p style="text-align: center;">Early-Bird Pricing: \$199/person Ends February 18, 2011</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Beginning February 19</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$249 <i>Individual Attendee</i> \$229 <i>Group of 3 - 9</i> \$199 <i>Group of 10 or more</i></p>

THE SPEED OF TRUST

The root of economic and organizational challenges over the last two years was, in most cases, a collapse of trust. Now, as companies try to navigate this new landscape, those with low levels of trust are paying large trust taxes in the form of slower results and higher costs. Meanwhile, the most trusted organizations are earning a trust dividend. Their business is getting faster, and they are reaping the rewards of the trust they have built. Despite a plummeting market, companies who actively built trust have seen their value appreciate 24% according to a 2009 IBM study.

Stephen M. R. Covey is the expert on trust as a business issue, and he will be speaking on the tangible benefits of developing trust in your organization and the actionable behaviors you can implement immediately to build trust. Covey will discuss:

- How trust gives organizations and individuals a competitive advantage and will make your company and career thrive.
- Why a leader’s priority must be to build confidence by getting results in a way that inspires trust.
- How trust can be quantitatively measured in an organization.
- What steps you can take to implement the 13 essential behaviors common to high-trust leaders and organizations.
- How you can get results faster and more cost-effectively by developing trust on both a personal and an organizational level.