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Upcoming Events

***Are you interested in being an officer for 2012?
Would you like to serve on the Executive Committee?***

Race For A Cure

May 7, 2011

Join the Charleston AGA Team!

Contact Chris Sforza today!

chris.m.sforza@wv.gov

CPE/Lunch Event

May 18, 2011

Fifth Quarter

Charleston

1 CPE

\$15.00

CGFM Class

“Governmental

**Accounting, Financial
Reporting, Budgeting”**

May 24 – 26, 2011

State Capitol Complex

Building 7

24 CPE

Relay for Life

State Capitol Complex

June 10, 2011

6:00 pm

\$10 Registration Fee

Contact Roger Townsend

roger.l.townsend@wv.gov

Charleston AGA Community Service

Golf Scramble

June 25, 2011

9:00 am

Little Creek Park

\$50 per person

\$200 per team

Lunch Provided

Proceeds benefit the Union

Mission

See Attachment!

Race for a Cure – May 7, 2011 – WV State Capitol Complex

I recently accepted the challenge to raise funds to support the West Virginia Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in its efforts to END BREAST CANCER FOREVER.

Please help support me in this important project by becoming a member of my team! I am looking for my friends and family to join me in supporting this very worthwhile cause. Becoming a team member is easy! All you need to do is click on the link below and register for the Race for the Cure© and "Join a Team".

Remember, one person can make a difference in the fight against breast cancer. Susan G. Komen for the Cure was founded by one sister making a promise to another sister. You can be a part of this worthwhile effort! Our promise of a world without breast cancer does not just rest in the hands of Susan G. Komen for the Cure. It is up to you, our community of survivors and co-survivors, to stand united with us until the promise is fulfilled and the cures are found.

I look forward to seeing you on race day!
Sincerely,

Roger Townsend email: roger.l.townsend@wv.gov

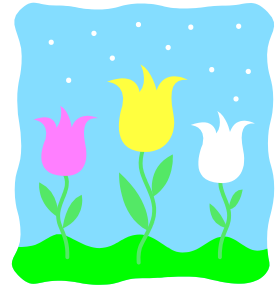
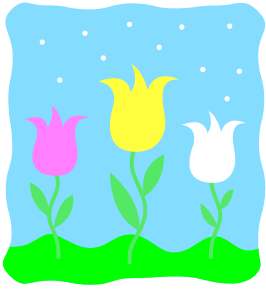
To donate online, click <http://crl.pub30.convio.net/komen-race-for-the-cure/donate/>.

To send a donation:

Make all checks payable to: Susan G. Komen for the Cure West Virginia Affiliate

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. At Relay, teams of people camp out at a local high school, park, or fairground and take turns walking or running around a track or path. Each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event. Because cancer never sleeps, Relays are overnight events up to 24 hours in length.

Anyone can participate in Relay For Life. Friends, families, neighbors, classmates, sports teams, etc., can form their own teams. No matter who you are, there's a place for you at Relay.



A Message from President Jane Shinn:

Dear Members,

We have our 4th year as a Chapter beginning July 1, and there are still a few committee chairs that are not filled at this time, so if you are interested please email [Chris Sforza](#). If you are not interested in being the chairperson but would still like to be involved in planning we are also looking for individuals to be committee members and assist the chairs in planning activities for CPE events, meetings, and community service and also writing articles for the newsletter. Please help in making our Chapter successful in promoting government accountability.

We still have several CPE events (CGFM 24 hours and May Luncheon 1 hour) and community service events (Race for a Cure, Relay for Life, and Golf Tournament) planned. Please plan on coming out and joining our chapter for these events and be sure to spread the word to non-members.

Why Earn the CGFM?

The Certified Government Financial Manager

The Mark of Excellence in Federal, State and Local Government. Since its inception in 1994, the CGFM has become the standard by which government financial management professionals are measured. Its [education](#), [experience](#) and [ethics requirements](#) have served to elevate the most seasoned financial professionals.

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The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the employment of accountants and auditors is expected to grow 18 percent between 2006 and 2016, which is faster than the average of all occupations. Accountants and auditors that hold a college degree or any other certification will have the best job prospects.

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The foundation of the CGFM is the requirement for Education, Experience and Examination. Building on this foundation is a [Code of Ethics](#) and required Continuing Professional Education (CPE). This designation is already recognized as a professional standard. Each year, more and more federal agencies and state and local governments are realizing the value of the CGFM and are formally embracing the designation. It is often listed as a preferred hiring qualification on federal RFPs. The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) Board of Regents has also recognized the CGFM. It is accepted as a waiver for part IV of the CIA examination.

AGA Wants to Hear From You—How was your agency affected by the near-shut-down of the federal government last week? How did you prepare for all the various contingencies? What did you learn that will prepare you for future challenges? Tell us your story! Send an email to communicate@agacgfm.org and let us know whether or not you wish to share your story anonymously or for attribution. We look forward to hearing from you.

RENEW NOW!

Save Time, Save Effort and Save the Environment by Renewing Your AGA Membership Online

Going green is easy in 2011 when you renew your membership online. It's not only safe and quick, but it's also the fastest renewal method! To renew your membership and keep receiving member benefits, please login to the website. Remember your membership ID number is your login and the first initial of your first name followed by your entire last name is your password. You can locate your membership number on your membership card, e-mailed renewal reminder and mailed renewal form. The 2011-2012 membership renewal notice will be sent to you via mail within a few weeks. The due date for renewal payments is March 31st, 2011. Don't wait...[Renew Now!](#)

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Regional Corner

I can't believe this year is almost over. The six chapters in the Capital Region (DC, Northern Virginia, Montgomery/PG, Charleston, Beckley, and Mid-Ohio –Parkersburg, WV) have risen to their challenges with enthusiasm and energy. As each chapter considers the awards it will present, I want to express my thanks on behalf of your regional team for your leadership and accomplishments! A special thanks to your Presidents for their leadership: Doug Glenn, Jaclynn Campbell, Andrew Lewis, Jane Shinn, Sharon Pinardo and Michelle Yanok. And I want to thank your incoming officers and Board of Directors for accepting the challenge for next year.

Last, but by no means least, I want to thank the regional team for their support of the chapters and AGA. The Regional Coordinators for CGFM, Early Careers, Education, Membership, Chapter Development and Assistance, and Accountability Outreach each have assisted the chapters in achieving their goals. Some will be continuing in their roles and some will be moving to new positions. The Capital Region has been well served by these dedicated leaders and my job has been so much easier because of their work. I am looking forward to working with Dennis Green next year as he takes on the Regional Vice President's challenges and hope that I can provide as much support to him as Scott Bell has provided to me as Past RVP.

So thank you, regional team, for all your dedicated efforts on behalf of the chapters in the Capital Region and AGA:

Scott Bell, Past Regional Vice President
Dennis Green, Regional Vice President-Elect
Kim Farington, Regional Vice President-Elect Designate
Boris Lyubovitsky, Regional Coordinator, CGFM
Paul Marshall, Regional Coordinator, Early Careers
Susan Johnson, Regional Coordinator, Education
Tonya Allen-Shaw, Assistant Regional Coordinator, Education
Marguerite Nealon, Regional Coordinator, Membership
Evelyn Brown, Regional Coordinator, Chapter Development and Assistance
Doreen Shute, Regional Coordinator, Accountability Outreach

Respectfully submitted,

**Flora Milans, CGFM, CPA
Capital Region RVP, FY 2010-2011**



CHARLESTON CHAPTER



You are invited to participate in our 2nd Annual
**Community Service
Charity Golf Scramble**

When: June 25, 2011 8:00 Registration - 9:00 shot gun start
Where: *Little Creek Country Club*
99 Fairway Dr
South Charleston, WV 25309-2550
(304) 744-4653
What: \$50 fee per person which includes green fee, cart, and lunch.
There will be prizes for longest drive and closest to the pin.
Mulligan's will be available for purchase.
Who: AGA members, financial professionals, avid golfers and
anyone else who wants to support a good cause.



Participants Registration:

Team Representing _____
Player 1: Name _____ Email: _____
Player 2: Name _____ Email: _____
Player 3: Name _____ Email: _____
Player 4: Name _____ Email: _____

You or your company can also contribute to the cause even if you are not able to Golf at this event? Please consider contributing to the outing by one of the following:

Names to be recognized for sponsorships

Hole Sponsors \$75

(Need unlimited) Signs will be placed at Tee _____
Prize Sponsors \$200 (Need 3) _____
Food Sponsor \$100 (Need 3) _____
Beverage Cart Sponsor \$30 (Need 1) _____
Monetary Sponsor _____

Interested parties should email registration form to roger.l.townsend@wv.gov and submit completed form with checks to AGA PO Box 2904 Charleston, WV 25330. Early registration requested but due no later than two weeks prior to event. There is a minimum of three members per team. Application must be submitted with the team's entry fee. Proceeds from tournament will benefit the Union Mission of Charleston.

Make all checks payable to AGA Charleston.
Prizes will consist of Closest to the pin, Longest Drive and Longest putt.
There will be prizes for first and second place team as well.

GOLF SCRAMBLE RULES: (all golf rules shall conform to USGA Rules)

FORMAT: 18 hole Tournament - four person scramble tournament.

RULES:

1. A scramble means that all four team members tee off on each hole and then decide which tee shot they like the best and mark the spot with a tee or ball marker.
2. The other team members pick up their balls and place them within one club length (no closer to the hole) of the marked spot. Each team member hits their next shot from the chosen spot of the prior shot.
3. This procedure is followed on every shot for the remainder of the hole, including putts. The ball should be marked on the putting green also.
4. Putts need to be made within 3 inches of the marked spot (no closer to the hole). The first ball to go in the hole is counted for the team score.
5. If the ball you choose to play is in a hazard (sand, water, etc.), the rough, or out of bounds, you can not drop the ball outside of the hazard or rough even if relief is within one club length away.
6. Each team must use at least one of each team members tee shots on each nine (minimum two tee shots per player).
7. Men tee off from the white tees and women from the red tees.

3 PERSON TEAMS:

1. One person acts as the 4th person on each hole. That person will hit 2 balls for every shot on the hole.
2. Each team member must alternate serving as the “4th person”. After the 1st three holes the order may be switched but each member must serve as the 4th person in a 3 hole span. Therefore each member of the three member team will hit twice on 6 different holes during the 18 hole event.

Prizes and Mulligans:

- **There will be a longest drive prize and a closest to the pin prize awarded.**
- **Each member of the team can purchase a mulligan for \$5. Mulligans may only be used for tee shots.**

Tie-Breaker Rules:

If there is a tie for first, second, or third place, low net or gross, the following system will be used to determine the winner. All tie breakers will be determined by going to the most difficult hole determined by the course's handicap system (hole ranked #1 handicap) and the team with the lowest score on that hole is declared the winner. In the event there is a tie score on the #1 handicapped hole, then to next most difficult hole (Hole ranked #2 handicap) will be selected until a winner is determined. There will be no exceptions to these rules. In the case of a tie for first place, after determining the winning team, the losing team will go to second place position, and the current second place team will go to third place, and the third place team will not be eligible to win a prize.

GOLF ETIQUETTE:

- Please smooth all marks made in sand traps.
- Leave the putting green as soon as you have holed out.
- Do not play until the players in front of you are out of range.
- Balls may be cleaned on the green and ball marks repaired prior to putting.