

## Chapter President's Message



It's time to get involved, and our chapter needs you! There's nothing more rewarding than being part of a large organization that's helping to advance government accountability and bolstering our profession. One easy way that we can use your help is by being an active participant in our upcoming events:

- Monthly dinner meeting on Wednesday, April 13 (featuring our guest speaker: Elizabeth Scheffler, US Copyright Office)
- "Team AGA" at Prince George's County Kidney Walk on Sunday, May 1
- Our Chapter's Spring Workshop on Thursday, May 5
- Networking Golf and Happy Hour on Thursday, May 12
- Our Annual Awards Dinner on Tuesday, May 17 (featuring our guest speaker: Lisa Casias, AGA National President)

This is an action-packed end to what has been an exciting program year, and I hope to see each of you at one or more of these events. Details and registration information for these events can be found at [www.marylandaga.com](http://www.marylandaga.com).

Of these events, one that offers you a unique opportunity to sharpen your technical skills (at an incredibly affordable price) is our upcoming Spring Workshop on Tuesday, May 5. We'll be hosting a full-day workshop worth 8 CPEs. The topics include: cloud computing, emerging issues in Federal financial management, internal controls and improper payments, information on the standard replacing SAS 70, the history of Federal financial management, including a retrospective on the first 20 years of the CFO Act, and an update from the FASAB. I am incredibly proud of this program, and know that you won't be disappointed!

Please register today by visiting <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/workshops.cfm>.

If you have any questions about these events, about our chapter, or ways that you can get involved, please don't hesitate to contact me at [aclewis@kpmg.com](mailto:aclewis@kpmg.com), or by calling me at 202-533-4886.

—Andrew C. Lewis, CPA, CGFM  
Chapter President

## Montgomery/PG Chapter Board Members Attend UMUC Career Week

The Montgomery/PG Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants attended The University of Maryland University College, Career Week program at their Largo, MD location on February 28th. Members of the AGA were able to network and speak with business majors at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in Business Administration, Finance, Marketing, Accounting, Human Resources, Healthcare Administration, Project Management, International Business, Management, and MBA. We were able to reach out to students and other professionals by sharing the benefits of joining AGA and recruit members at the student, Early Career and regular membership levels.



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## Chapter Upcoming Events

**Apr 13 | April Monthly Dinner Meeting with Elizabeth Scheffler, Chief Operating Officer, United States Copyright Office (1 CPEs)**

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**Apr 20 | \*FREE\* AGA Audio Conference: Mortgage Fraud and Beyond—Looking Towards The Future (2 CPEs)**

**Time:** 2:00p.m.–3:50p.m.

**Location:** The conference will take place simultaneously at the following locations:

**Clifton Gunderson's Corporate Offices**

710 Beltsville Drive, Suite 300,  
Calverton, MD 20705  
To RSVP, contact Elizabeth Robinson at 301-931-2050.

**KPMG LLP's Washington, DC Office**

2001 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20036  
To RSVP, contact Maria Rossel at 202-533-6396.

**Cost:** Clifton Gunderson and KPMG LLP, two of our Chapter's esteemed corporate partners, have agreed to sponsor this event \*free of charge\* for our chapter.

**May 1 | 3rd Annual Ronald D. Paul Companies Prince George's County Kidney Walk**

Please join Team AGA for the 3rd Annual Ronald D. Paul Companies Prince George's County Kidney Walk. The walk will take place on Sunday, May 1 at The Mall at Prince Georges at 2pm.

Please visit the National Kidney Foundation website to get more information and to register.

To register for the walk, click 'Join a Team' then click 'Search for a team'. Our team name is Team AGA. If you do not wish to walk with us, please make a donation to support the Foundation and help our team reach its fundraising goal. To just make a donation by credit card, click on 'Donate to a Walker', search for Team AGA and click 'make a gift'. I

f you would like to make a donation by cash or check or if you have any questions, please contact Joan Hebron at [communityservice@marylandaga.com](mailto:communityservice@marylandaga.com).

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**May 5 | Spring Workshop (up to 8 CPEs)**

**Date and Time:** May 5, 2011 from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

**Location:** Marriott National Institutes of Health, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda MD 20814, Natcher Building # 45, Conference Facilities, Conference Room E1-E2.

**Description:** Come join us on May 5, 2011 at NIH for training worth 8 CPE Credits!

The workshop training will feature the following topics: Cloud Computing - The Role of an Auditor; Emerging Issues in Federal Financial Management; Internal Control and Improper Payments; Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements No: 16 - Service Organization Control Reports; Brief History of Federal Financial Management; FASAB Update; The Chief Financial Officers Act Twenty Years Later.

**RSVP:** Register online at <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/workshops.cfm>

## Dinner Meeting Speaker's Bio

### Elizabeth R. Scheffler

U.S. Copyright Office



In March, 2008, Elizabeth (Liz) Scheffler joined the United States Copyright Office as its Chief Operations Officer (COO) in charge of: all copyright processing, information technology; human resource; facilities;

procurement; contracting and public information functions. Her previous positions included: the Chief Financial Officer/ Chief Administrative Officer for NOAA/ National Ocean Service; Associate Director for Operations and Acting Director of Development at the Smithsonian Institution National Air and Space Museum, and Program Manager at the Internal Revenue Service. In the private sector, Liz worked for Touche Ross and Co. (now Deloitte and Touche) where she served as Regional Controller / Senior Audit Manager. She also worked for Western Union as the Director of Finance, Director of Business Planning and Manager of Economic Analysis for the Priority Mail Services business unit. In addition to her role as COO, Liz serves on the University of Maryland, University College Accounting Faculty, where she was recently appointed as lead faculty for the advanced accounting and capstone courses. Previously she had specialized in accounting information systems including development of online educational programs.

Liz holds undergraduate degrees in Accounting and Information Systems, a Masters degree in Management Information Systems from the University of Maryland, University College, and a Certificate in Federal Financial Management from George Washington University. She is a Certified Government Financial Manager, and a graduate of the 2003 Leadership Arlington program.

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## Membership

### Welcome New Members!

On behalf of our Chapter, we would like to welcome our newest members! We are excited about your decision to join our Chapter.

Fellow members, please join us in welcoming—

- Ms. Michelle H. Carter, CGFM, Department of State
- Ms. Catherine Reardon, Department of Health and Human Services

Hope to see you at our next dinner meeting! Don't forget, your first dinner meeting as a new member is on us! To register, contact Jimmy Hauer and Tom Birchall at [meetings@marylandaga.com](mailto:meetings@marylandaga.com).

### Membership Highlights!

#### Congratulations to Anuradha (Anu) Sharnma for becoming a CGFM!

Anu works in the Internal Controls Division within HRSA's Office of Operations (COO), Office of the Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Office of Financial Policy and Controls. Her main responsibilities include Financial and Program Integrity, and involve conducting Internal Control Risk Assessments for compliance with the Federal Financial Manager's Integrity Act (FMFIA) and the HHS Secretary's Program Integrity Initiative. She serves on the HRSA Public Health Steering Committee as a COO and CFO representative. She is also Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR).

Anu graduated from Bryn Mawr College, University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University, where she earned an BA, MA and MPH degrees, respectively. She is also a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) and has a certification in Fine Arts Appraisal.

Anu is very grateful for the diverse community of mentors and colleagues which AGA and our Montgomery/PG Chapter has provided her, and the opportunity to serve on the national AGA Fraud Prevention Toolkit Workgroup with a dynamic group of experts in Fraud Prevention from all levels of government.

She is also grateful for her family, friends, teachers and colleagues, without whose support, she says she could not have done any of these things.

### Take Advantage of Overlapping Seasons

You can sign up for a new year and still take advantage of a program from the year that is just ending. **What Drives You?** That is AGA's national Member-Get-A-Member Campaign and it's not too late to earn the rewards for last year from recruiting new members to AGA for next year. All you have to do is recruit two new members and you start earning AGA dollars for recruiting those members and every member after that. By now all of the you should have received their annual renewal notice. While you are completing your own annual renewal, invite your coworker, client or contractor to sign up as a new member as well. What's more – if you recruit a new member – you and that new member get a to attend the next chapter dinner meeting for FREE. Not only do you invite them to join an organization that will benefit their career, you will help them expand their network and have fun doing it at the same time. Check out the AGA website for more details. The National program ends April 30, so don't wait to recruit new members.

### Job Opportunity with Frederick County

#### Auditor II: Frederick County Government ~ Frederick County, MD

This professional position will conduct and/or coordinate complex performance and financial related audits undertaken by the Internal Audit Division, as approved by the Interagency Internal Audit Authority.

#### Requirements Include:

- Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Business Administration or a related field
- Minimum 2 years of auditing work experience that includes financial auditing and must include at least 1 year of performance auditing

#### How To Apply:

Visit the Frederick County Human Resources Job Opportunities webpage at [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/jobs](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/jobs). From this site, you will have access to view a detailed job posting and to submit your electronic application form online! NOTE: Only applications submitted thru this site will be eligible for consideration.

#### Contact Info:

Division of Human Resources; (301) 600-1070; [Human\\_Resources@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:Human_Resources@FrederickCountyMD.gov)

## Education



MONTGOMERY/PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY CHAPTER

**Come Join Us for our Spring Workshop Worth 8 CPE Credits!**

**Thursday, May 5, 2011  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**National Institutes of Health  
45 Center Drive, Bethesda MD 20814  
Natcher Building # 45  
Conference Facilities, Conference Room E1-E2  
(Please see directions attached)**

**Discussion Topics:** Cloud Computing – The Role of an Auditor; Emerging Issues in Federal Financial Management; Internal Control and Improper Payments; Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements No: 16 – Service Organization Control Reports; Brief History of Federal Financial Management; FASAB Update; The Chief Financial Officers Act Twenty Years Later

*Breakfast, lunch, and refreshments will be provided*



**AGA Members (Federal Employees, Faculty, and Retirees) - \$90  
AGA Members (Employees of Firms and Companies) - \$100  
Non-AGA Members - \$130  
Students - \$35**

**Campus Map: [http://parking.nih.gov/visitor\\_access\\_map.htm](http://parking.nih.gov/visitor_access_map.htm)**

**Perimeter Security:** All visitor and commercial vehicles will be inspected. Visitors must show one (1) form of picture identification (e.g., a government-issued photo ID, a driver's license, a passport, etc.).

**Please register at <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/generalregistration.cfm>**

**Please register early as space is limited!**



## MONTGOMERY/PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY CHAPTER

### Program

8:00 – 8:30am	<b>Registration and Breakfast</b>
8:30 – 8:35am	<b>Opening Remarks, Andrew Lewis, President, AGA – Montgomery /Prince George's County Chapter</b>
8:35 – 10:15am	<b>Panel Discussion: Cloud Computing – the Role of an Auditor</b> Panelists: Erik Boxhoorn, KPMG LLP; Sean Hoffman, KPMG LLP; and Robert Dwyer, KPMG LLP
10:15 – 10:30am	<b>Break</b>
10:30 – 11:20pm	<b>Emerging Issues in Federal Financial Management</b> Speaker: David Zavada, Kearney & Co
11:20 – 12:10pm	<b>Internal Control and Improper Payments</b> Speaker: Molly Dawson, HHS
12:10 – 1:00pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 – 2:00pm	<b>Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements No. 16 – Service Organization Control Reports</b> Speaker: James Merrill, Ernst & Young
2:00 – 3:00pm	<b>Brief History of Federal Financial Management</b> Speaker: David Norquist, Kearney & Co
3:00 – 3:10pm	<b>Break</b>
3:10 – 4:00pm	<b>The Chief Financial Officers Act Twenty Years Later</b> Speaker: Edward Mazur, Clifton Gunderson
4:00 – 4:50pm	<b>FASAB Update</b> Speaker: Wendy Payne, FASAB
4:50 – 5:00pm	<b>Closing Remarks and Distribution of CPE Certificates</b> Carol Boothe and Hector Maysonet, Education Directors, AGA – Montgomery / Prince George County Chapter

## PG County Kidney Walk

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If you would like to make a donation instead to support the Foundation and help our team reach its fundraising goal, click on "Donate to a Walker," search for Team AGA and click "Make a gift." If you would like to make a donation by cash or check, or if you have any questions, please contact Joan Hebron or Troy Hailey at [communityservice@marylandaga.com](mailto:communityservice@marylandaga.com).

## AGA Issues Federal Financial Systems Summit White Paper

AGA has released a report detailing the recent Federal Financial Systems Summit at which Office of Management and Budget Controller, Danny Werfel, and Chief Information Officer, Vivek Kundra, outlined the way forward for federal financial management systems acquisition projects.

The message was clear: the age of massive system implementations is over. The future course will be one of smaller-scale projects with clearly defined deliverables and timeframes.

As the government financial management profession's thought leader, AGA brought together federal financial management professionals and their private-sector counterparts to discuss the challenges and to pave the way forward in what Werfel calls "the new reality."

## Save the Date for Our Networking Golf and Happy Hour

**After the success of last year's networking golf and happy hour, the Montgomery/PG County will host its Second Annual Networking Golf and Happy Hour!**

Thursday, May 12, 2011

Golf sign-in at 1:00 pm

Happy Hour following the golf event (Location TBD)

Golf: Needwood Golf Course  
6724 Needwood Road  
Rockville, MD

Cost: \$25 for 9 holes of range balls, golf, and a cart

Register Online at <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/generalregistration.cfm>

*(Chapter Upcoming Events continued from page 2)*

### May 11 | \*FREE\* AGA Audio Conference: The Apprehension of Being Ethical (2 CPEs)

Time: 2:00p.m.-3:50p.m.

Location: KPMG LLP's Washington, DC Office  
2001 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20036

Cost: KPMG LLP, one of our Chapter's esteemed corporate partners, has agreed to sponsor this event \*free of charge\* for our chapter.

RSVP: Contact Maria Rossel at 202-533-6396.

### May 12 | Networking Golf at the Needwood Executive Golf Course

Location: Needwood Executive Golf Course  
6724 Needwood Road, Rockville

Date and Time: May 12, 2010 from starting at 1pm.

Cost: \$25 for 9 holes of range balls, golf, and a cart.

RSVP: Register online at <http://www.marylandaga.com/events/networking.cfm>

### May 17 | Montgomery/PG Awards Ceremony and Dinner Meeting

Time: Reception: 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner and Speaker: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (approximate ending time)

Presentation: Lisa Casias, AGA National President, will give a presentation

Location: Hilton Hotel at 1750 Rockville Pike

Cost: \$30 per person for non-government employees; \$15 for state, local and federal government employees

RSVP: Register online at [www.marylandaga.com](http://www.marylandaga.com) (credit card payment required), or by e-mail to Jimmy Hauer or Tom Birchall at [meetings@marylandaga.com](mailto:meetings@marylandaga.com).

For additional information about these and other Chapter events, go to [www.marylandaga.com/events](http://www.marylandaga.com/events) or find us on [Facebook](#).



## ANNUAL FRAUD TRAINING

**8** CPEs (including 2 for Ethics)

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

### Maritime Institute of Technology

692 Maritime Blvd.  
Building #3 Auditorium  
Linthicum Heights, MD 21090-1952

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#### FEATURED SPEAKERS

*Cindy Brown Barnes* - Government Accountability Office, Assistant Director,  
Forensic Audits & Special Investigations Unit

*John McLain* - Grant Thornton, Director, Government Audit Services

*Jeff Steinhoff* - KPMG, Director, Federal Advisory Services

*Renee Frank* – National Security Agency

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#### PRICING

Price includes **lunch buffet, continental breakfast, and two snack breaks**

**AGA Members\*:** \$130 if paid by April 20, 2011 \$160 after April 20<sup>th</sup>

*\* IIA – CFE – ISACA – ASMC Members receive the member rates.*

**Non-Members:** \$160 if paid by April 20, 2011 \$200 after April 20<sup>th</sup>

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#### REGISTRATION

Contact Letha Holliday (410) 966-1820 or Keith Lewis (410) 966-5535 or e-mail [www.agabaltimore.org](http://www.agabaltimore.org) by April 20 for the early bird discount. Deadline to register at full price is April 27.

***DON'T MISS OUT ON THE EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!***

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