

September Dinner Meeting
Wednesday, September 19, 2007

Karen Hawkins, Chief Operating Officer, Department of Finance, Montgomery County, Maryland
"Planning for Implementation of an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System"

Dinner Meeting

Time: Reception: 6:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.
Dinner and Meeting: 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
(approximate ending time)

Location: Hilton Hotel, formerly the DoubleTree Hotel
1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD
301-468-1100

See our Web site at www.marylandaga.com for directions.
Self-parking is complimentary in the hotel garage. Metered parking is available behind and on either side of the hotel.

Menu: NY strip steak with baked potato and broccoli, chef's choice of salad, soft beverage and dessert.

Cost: \$30 for members and nonmembers. Cash or checks made payable to "AGA."

RSVP to Scott Turnbull, 301-931-2050, meetings@marylandaga.com

DINNER SPEAKER'S BIO

KAREN HAWKINS

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND



Karen Hawkins was recently named Chief Operating Officer for the Department of Finance for Montgomery County, Maryland. As Finance Department Chief Operating Officer, Ms. Hawkins is responsible for managing operational issues and administrative functions for the department, including budgeting, personnel, procurement, and technology. Prior to holding this position, from 1995 through the Spring of 1997, Ms. Hawkins was the Controller for Montgomery County, where she was responsible for managing the programs of accounting and financial reporting, payroll, and accounts payable. In 2003, she was awarded Montgomery's Best Exceptional Service Award.

Prior to joining Montgomery County in 1995, Ms. Hawkins was a senior manager in KPMG Peat Marwick's Washington, D.C. audit practice, where her client base was primarily government, not-for-profit, and real estate; she also worked in the area of performance improvement for not-for-profits. Ms. Hawkins was with KPMG for nine years, and prior to that, with CW Amos & Company for two years.

Ms. Hawkins graduated summa cum laude from Mount Saint Mary's College with a Bachelors Degree in Accounting and a Minor in Business and Finance. She is a member of the Association of Government Accountants, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), the Maryland GFOA, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Chapter Members:

We start the New Year with many directors who have joined the board for the first time. Please check our website at <http://www.marylandaga.com> for our new board directory. This infusion of new directors has brought us many exciting ideas for our dinner meetings, early careers, and membership networking social events, community services, etc., to meet your needs and interests. We hope to see you all at many of our events. We want to thank our corporate sponsors, **Clifton Gunderson LLP, KPMG LLP, IBM, and Ernst & Young**, without whose support many of our programs would not have been possible.

Our chapter goals for the 2007–2008 year will focus on the following categories: education, meetings, membership, and early careers membership growth. We want to continue to provide our members with quality education programs via workshops, audio conferences, and dinner meetings that will address a variety of current issues and hot topics. We also want to provide a networking environment in which our members can meet with their peers and share their different work experiences and best practices. We have various exciting contests for our early careers and regular members throughout the year.

Our Web site is in the process of being updated. Please continue to check our website for upcoming activities, educational programs, and social hour events throughout the year.

I hope to see you at our September dinner meeting for an excellent program with Karen Hawkins, Chief Operating Officer for the Department of Finance, Maryland Montgomery County.

Sincerely,

Denise Wu, CPA, CGFM
President, AGA Montgomery/Prince George's County Chapter

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

Please visit our Web site or go to www.agacgfm.org for more details on chapter or national AGA events below.

September 2007:

- September 19 Dinner Meeting at Hilton in Rockville, MD, Karen Hawkins, Chief Operating Officer, Montgomery County, MD, \$30, 1 CPE.
Bring old eyeglasses and cell phones to the meeting!
- September 20 AGA Audio Conference: Making the Transition to Management – What it Takes to Succeed., 2 p.m.–4 p.m., FREE to chapter members.

October 2007:

- October 11 Early Careers Social Hour, 6 p.m.–8 p.m., Rock Bottom Brewery, Bethesda, MD.
First drink and appetizers FREE to Early Careers members.
- October 17 Dinner Meeting at Hilton in Rockville, MD, Wendy Payne, Executive Director of FASAB, \$30, 1 CPE.
Joint meeting with Northern Virginia Chapter.
Bring old eyeglasses and cell phones to the meeting!

November 2007:

- November 8 Early Careers Social Hour, 6 p.m.–8 p.m., Rira Irish Pub, Bethesda, MD.
First drink and appetizers FREE to Early Careers members.
- November 14 AGA Audio Conference: Tools for Performance Audit Efficiency, 2 p.m.–4 p.m., FREE to chapter members.
- November 28 Dinner Meeting at Hilton in Rockville, MD, Sandy Dumont, The Image Architect, \$30, 1 CPE.
Bring old eyeglasses and cell phones to the meeting!

For additional information and to register for any of the above chapter events, please go to our Web site at www.marylandaga.com.

SELECT REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS

September 2007:

- September 19 Northern Virginia Chapter's "July 2007 Yellow Book Revision: What You Need to Know."
To RSVP, go to www.agadc.org.

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