

Chapter President's Message

Hello AGA Members,

As my term comes to an end I have to say, this has been a great adventure and experience, truly something that I am glad to have been a part of. You, the members, have been tremendous and without your support and hard work, we could not have accomplished all that we did this year. Some of our achievements include:

- *Celebrating our 50 Year anniversary with both our National President and Executive Director, truly a rare occurrence*
- *Many successful community service projects*
- *Numerous members passing the CGFM exam*
- *Successful Fall PDC with AGA Richmond Chapter*
- *Successful Spring PDC with ASMC*

I also had fantastic support from Immediate Past President Donna Miller and past chapter presidents Cecelia Smith and Mark Morehouse. Their guidance, support, words of encouragement and knowledge were invaluable to me. Our Chapter Directors were remarkable in using their talent and time to make this chapter the best it could be.

Please support our incoming administration by volunteering and being involved, as they continue to move our chapter to a new pinnacle of greatness.

Thanks for all you did,

*Bradford W. Smith
President
AGA VA Peninsula Chapter*



**LAST CHAPTER
MEETING THIS AGA
YEAR!**

**May 19, 2011
Chapter Awards Night
Quality Suites Lake Wright**

Registration and cash bar: 5:30pm
Dinner: 6:00pm

Menu: Taste of Italy Buffet
FREE for members

**All attendees must RSVP to
Melissa Saunders at
msaunders@wittmares.com
by May 13th**

**ENJOY THE
SUMMER AND
SEE YOU IN
THE FALL!**

What's Happening?

This month:

- May 19 – Chapter awards dinner. Quality Suites Lake Wright. We will not have a speaker; it is dinner, networking/mingling. There will be a cash bar and awards will be presented to members. “Nothing formal just having a good time.” (POC is Brad Smith)

Clean The Bay Day

Bring the whole family to this annual chapter community service event.

Date: Saturday, June 4th, 9:00am

Site Location for Clean the Bay: Cape Henry Bike Trail (section of trail outside of First Landing State Park; beginning at W. Great Neck Road going east towards Ft. Landing State Park)

Where to Park: Seashore Shoppes Shopping Center at the Intersection of Great Neck Rd and Shore Drive, behind Guadalajara’s restaurant (address is 2272 W. Great Neck Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23451)

Check In: Seashore Shoppes Shopping Center parking lot facing the bike trail (you will see a Bike Shop and a Dog Groomer shop)

Zone Captains: [Ellen Silvela](#) (AGA) and Tobin McMurdie (GAO). Planning on volunteering? E-mail Ellen and let her know!

Watch for Separate E-mail on Virginia Peninsula Chapter Election Results

At newsletter press time, the election results for 2011-2012 chapter officers had not been completed. Stay tuned and thanks to all who are willing to volunteer their time as a chapter officer.

UPCOMING NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Attending this year's PDC in Atlanta? Please take pictures and report back on your experience at the conference by e-mailing Kelly Stefanko at kstefanko@hotmail.com



Virginia Peninsula Chapter 2010-2011 Remaining Events

- June 4- Clean the Bay Day, 9:00 am – 12:00pm (POCs are Tobin McMurdie (GAO) and [Ellen Silvela](#)).
- July 10-13, [AGA Professional Development Conference](#), *Celebrating Our Past, Embracing the Future*, Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Atlanta, GA.
 - Sign up for AGA’s special intensive review course and take the CGFM Examinations before the PDC. (POC is [Katya Silver](#))
- July - Community Service Fund Raiser at the AGA PDC in Atlanta, GA The chapter will provide a gift basket as a prize for the fund raiser and a donation for the chapter challenge. (POC is [Helen Brooks](#))

Watch for a whole new chapter calendar of events in September!

Certification News



Quickly Earn Your CGFM Before the PDC

Don't miss the opportunity to take the CGFM Examinations and earn your CGFM before the annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition (PDC). AGA is offering a two-day Intensive Review Course on Thursday, **July 7, 2011** and Friday, **July 8, 2011** and an opportunity to take CGFM Examinations on **July 9-10, 2011**. The cost of the course is only \$279 for qualified participants, and it offers 18 CPE hours. Special Bonus: The CGFM Examinations are offered at no cost to course attendees. Contact AGA's [Katva Silver](#)

Congratulations to our newest CGFM!

Tanya Renica

Are YOU ready to become a CGFM? Click the following links to learn more!

[CGFM Application](#)

[CGFM Certification--Learn More](#)

Membership News

Did you know?

Tidbits from our chapter history

Our chapter celebrated its 50th year in September. Member Mark Morehouse spent much of last summer culling history to compile the VA Peninsula chapter history book. Joe Rutecki and Chris Rice also played a big role in reaching out to past chapter leaders. If you haven't yet already, please be sure to visit the "[Chapter History](#)" link on our chapter website to read it.

Sponsor a New Member Challenge

The winners of the sponsor a member challenge are **Socorro Folkes** and **Cecelia Smith**. Thanks to you both for growing our chapter!

Pizza Luncheon Opportunities

Any agency that invites the AGA staff to its office to discuss AGA and the benefits of joining will be treated to a pizza luncheon. We will provide the pizza and drinks to the agency along with AGA memorabilia. Interested? Contact me at tbaileywilliams@deloitte.com

Membership Renewals

AGA members, it's that time of year again! If you haven't already, please go to <https://www.agacgfm.org/homepage.aspx>, select "Renew Now", to renew your AGA membership for another year! Also if you know of anyone that may be interested in becoming a member, please send the link to them and they can join now.

Note from the Membership Director

A big thank you to Ellen Silvela for all her assistance and guidance as I transitioned into the role of Membership Director. – *Traneisha Bailey-Williams*



Member News

- Bon voyage to **Joaquin M. Liborio**, who is relocating to Florida. Says Joaquin, *"I will miss the good times and I'm sure that I will not be able to find another organization as dynamic and involved as this one. Farewell and keep up the good work."*
- **Curtis Joachim, Traneisha Bailey-Williams** and **Mark Morehouse** represented our chapter in attending AGA's Sectional Leadership Meeting April 29-30 in Philadelphia.
- **Donna Miller**, immediate past chapter president, is now at FEMA serving as a Supervisor for the Accounting Reconciliation & Analytics Unit.

Chapter Recognition Program Update

By Ron Ingram

Thanks to the hard work by all the members and the outstanding leadership by our chapter officers, the Virginia Peninsula Chapter has again had a very successful year.

As of the last recognition program update in March, we were only 626 points short of reaching our goal of achieving platinum status. The last quarterly update for the year is due at the end of May. At this time the National Office will also add points for our membership growth, which should put us over the top. Thanks to all who have helped to make the chapter successful.

Member Spotlight



Sheila Arrington

What is your job position?

I am a Senior Accountant, Accounts Payable Branch, NASA Shared Services Center.

Give us a brief description of your job.

My responsibilities include overseeing the proper certification of payments for accounts payable invoices. Leading the certifying officers and service providers with managing, planning, and coordinating complex financial disbursement activities, such as commercial pay, vendor pay, travel, and transfer of funds. Reconcile accounts payable general ledger account, for all disbursements. The general ledger account is used to validate and prepare monthly Federal Interagency Databases Online (FIDO) reports and quarterly Continuous Monitoring Program (CMP) reports for all NASA centers. Oversee the preparation of statements and reports containing essential financial information such as FIDO, CMP, and International Payments reports. Ensure service provider's product conforms to the established NASA accounting standards.

What do you like most about your job?

I like the relationship that I have with my co-workers and the service providers here at NSSC. This enables me to complete all of my duties timely, meet all deadlines and work stress free.

What is your favorite perk of AGA membership?

Meeting and networking with AGA members from other agencies/organizations at the annual AGA PDC.

What is your most memorable AGA experience?

Attending the 2007 AGA PDC and winning the Recruiter of the Year Award and the Highest Overall Growth Award - Group B.

What are your hobbies?

I love to dance, travel, shop, and read.

What was your best vacation?

My best vacation was living in Keflavik, Iceland for 3 years.

Anything else you'd like to share about yourself?

I'm a very relaxed person that loves spending time with family and friends, making them laugh and having fun doing whatever comes to mind.

Treasurer's Report

By Ellen Silvela

Below is the chapter Treasurer's report on the chapter's spring PDC

As you can see, the event provided the chapter nearly \$4,700! We also were able to raise over \$3,000 for the March of Dimes. Thanks to all who supported this event, as a volunteer, attendee, or sponsor!



The monthly treasurer's report follows on the next page. We've had a great year!

AGA/ASMC Spring 2011 Mini-PDC

Revenues

Attendee Registration Fees	\$	31,845.00
Sponsorships	\$	9,200.00

Total Revenues	\$	41,045.00
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Expenses

Name Badges	\$	167.96
Sponsor Gift Cert Covers	\$	43.52
Ethics Session	\$	250.00
Printing	\$	2,401.95
Chesapeake Conference Center	\$	22,288.55
Credit Card Processing Fees	\$	1,041.10
Speaker Gift Charity Donations	\$	255.00
Attendee Gift initial order	\$	3,097.91
Attendee Gift second order	\$	1,032.81
Hospitality Suite food	\$	952.66
Shipping Umbrellas	\$	60.91
Supplies	\$	112.96

Total Expenses	\$	31,705.33
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Net	\$	9,339.67
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The AGA and ASMC chapters split the net profit of this conference 50/50 which gives each chapter \$4,669.84.

March of Dimes Charity Donation

Collections from Charity Raffle	\$	926.00
*Match from AGA National	\$	926.00
**Hospitality Suite food amount	\$	952.66
Speaker Gift Charity Donations	\$	255.00
Total Donated to March of Dimes	\$	3,059.66

Amount of Check to Send to March of Dimes	\$	2,133.66
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* AGA National Office mailing check for \$926 directly to March of Dimes.

** Cost of hospitality suite food to be added to charity donation, in lieu of reimbursing Kearney and Co.

Thank you to Kearney and Co., the Speakers, and the AGA National Office for helping us increase our donation to the March of Dimes!

**AGA Virginia Peninsula Chapter
Monthly Treasurer Report**

Beginning Balance 3/1/11		\$ 20,769.79
Revenues		
Collections from Meeting Feb 17th (deposited in March)		\$ 200.00
Collections from Spring 2011 PDC Sponsors		\$ 4,700.00
Collections from Spring 2011 PDC Attendees		\$ 21,835.00
Refund for Erroneous Charge for Jan 20th Meeting		\$ 113.12
Interest from Bank		\$ 1.28
Charity Raffle Collections Spring 2011 PDC		\$ 926.00
Total Revenues		<u>\$ 27,775.40</u>
Expenses		
Bank Service Fee		\$ 9.95
Website		\$ 12.95
Credit Card Fees		\$ 465.38
Reimburse IIA for Feb 17th Monthly Luncheon		\$ 396.40
Gift cards for Spring PDC Charity Raffle		\$ 255.00
Membership Incentive		\$ 150.00
Office Supplies - Flash Drive		\$ 12.60
Spring 2011 PDC Attendee Gift		\$ 4,130.72
Spring 2011 PDC Printing		\$ 2,401.95
Spring 2011 PDC Ethics Session		\$ 250.00
Spring 2011 PDC Supplies		\$ 112.96
Spring 2011 PDC Attendee Refund		\$ 95.00
50th Anniversary Meeting Supplies (check cleared in Mar)		\$ 3.15
Postage		\$ 4.95
Total Expenses		<u>\$ 8,301.01</u>
Net		\$ 19,474.39
Available Balance 3/31/11		<u>\$ 40,244.18</u>



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