

**ANNUAL HISTORY REPORT
BALTIMORE CHAPTER
2009 – 2010**

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Membership	Elaine Wallace
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Web Page	Katie Beach
Web Page	Briana Yoho

MEMBERSHIP

As of the close of the 2009-2010 program year, April 30, 2010, the Baltimore Chapter has 330 current members, 51 new members, and 31 suspended members.

CHAPTER THEME

The theme for the AGA Baltimore Chapter's 2009-2010 program year was *Accountability First! Integrity Foremost!*

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings were held each month from July through May. Our usual meeting date was the first Thursday of the month from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm at the offices of the Social Security Administration in Woodlawn, MD. Conference call numbers were provided for those who could not attend in person.

EDUCATION

The Baltimore Chapter held a monthly training session during the months of September 2009 through May 2010 totaling 30 CPEs. Most sessions were held on the third Thursday of each month.

The following lists the details of the monthly training sessions:

September 17, 2009 Afternoon Training

(1) "Winning the Political Game with Integrity"

Speaker: Carol Lyles Shaw, Columbia Resource Group

(2) "Maryland's State of Economy"

Speaker: Honorable Peter Franchot, Maryland State Comptroller

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

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October 15, 2009

Afternoon Training

(1) "Communication for Success"

Speakers: Gayle Becker, The Entrepreneur's Source

(2) "Deficiencies in Internal Control Identified in an Audit"

Speaker: Walt Fennell, PricewaterhouseCoopers

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

November 19, 2009

Afternoon Training

(1) "Government Accountability-What's Next at the Federal, State and Local Level"

Speakers: Dr. Lenneal Henderson, University of Baltimore

(2) "Economic Trends in the Baltimore and Washington Area"

Speaker: Aniban Basu, Sage Policy Group

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

December 10, 2009

Afternoon Training

The afternoon program was a joint meeting with the Baltimore Chapter of the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA).

"Data Loss Prevention "

Speaker: Aubrey Turner, Fishnet Security

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

January 21, 2010

Afternoon Training

(1) "Recovery Act Update"

Speakers: John Higgins, Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board

(2) "Single Audits and the ARRA"

Speaker Hugh Monaghan, OIG, Department of Education

(3) "Single Audit and Recovery Act Issues"

Speaker: Eric Holbrook. GAO

(4) "Recovery Act and Yellow Book Update"

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Speaker: Marcia Buchanan, Government Accountability Office

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

February 25, 2010 Afternoon Training

“Leadership Development”

Speaker: Dan Hartline, Deputy Associate Commissioner for Budget, SSA

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

March 19, 2010 Afternoon Training - Early Careers Luncheon

(1) "Empowering Successful Professionals"

Speaker: Johnny Parker, Consultant

(2) “Sharing Knowledge with Your Peers”

Speaker: Michael Robinson, SSA, OIG Assistant Inspector General for Technology and Resource Management

This program qualified for three (3) hours of CPE credit.

April 21, 2010 All-day Training

Annual Fraud Conference

Topic/Speakers:

(1) “Finding Security and Privacy in a Technology Infused World”

Speaker: Scott Klososky, Critical Technologies

(2) “Ethics”

Speaker: Sam Mok, Condor International

(3) “Prominence to Prison – Why Smart People Do Dumb Things”

Speaker: Patrick Kuhse, Ethics Trainer/Writer

This program qualified for eight (8) hours of CPE credit.

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May 20, 2010 Afternoon Training - Annual Awards Luncheon and Scholarship Ceremony

“Motivation for Career Success”

Speaker: Karren Alexander, PAMD International

This program qualified for one (1) hour of CPE credit.

CHAPTER AWARDS

PRESIDENT’S SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

FUTURE LEADERSHIP AWARD – JUSTIN DAVIS, SSA

Justin is responsible for a variety of financial management projects at SSA. He effectively communicates with staff, demonstrates his expertise in his projects, and solves problems when needed. His leadership skills are evident based on his high level performance at the Agency. Justin has also played an integral role in mentoring a new employee at SSA. He provides guidance, career advice, motivation, and a positive attitude while sharing his professional knowledge with everyone.

EXCELLENCE IN CONTRIBUTION – KELLY STANKUS, SSA/OIG

Kelly is awarded the Excellence in Contribution award for her leadership and dedication in service to AGA Baltimore Chapter by coordinating the Job Shadowing Day at SSA for Southside Academy students. Kelly went above and beyond the call of duty on this event. She performed this service along with a full schedule of responsibilities as an auditor producing key reports for the SSA OIG organization.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS EARLY CAREERS DIRECTOR: – RASHAD HOLLOWAY, EPA

In recognition of Rashad’s professional efforts to coordinate a successful Career Day at Baltimore’s Southside Academy. In addition to coordinating this event, Rashad has been very active in coordinating several other events throughout the year to ignite interest in others about the AGA and service to the government. His dedication to and enthusiasm about AGA Baltimore and the community are evident to all of us here in the AGA Baltimore Chapter. For these efforts, Rashad was also awarded our PDC Scholarship to Orlando, FL. We are grateful for his service.

GOVERNMENT SERVICE AWARD – STEVE SCHAEFFER, SSA/OIG

Steve, in his position as the Assistant Inspector General for the Office of Audit at the Social Security Administration is responsible for overseeing management and staff who conduct and/or supervise comprehensive financial and performance audits of SSA’s programs and operations and making recommendations to ensure that program objectives and operational functions are achieved effectively and efficiently.

For the last five years, the Office of Audit has achieved a 5-year average implementation rate of more than 85% for accepted recommendations aimed at improving the integrity, efficiency and effectiveness of SSA and maintained an annual acceptance rate of at least

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88 % for all recommendations, exceeding both performance measures. In addition, Steve has implemented policies and procedures to deliver audit products more timely. This past year, FY 2009, a total of 92 percent of audit reports were issued within 1 year of their respective entrance conferences. While leading the Office of Audit, the return on dollars invested in SSA OIG OA was approximately \$270 to \$1 in FY 2009. Additionally, Mr. Schaeffer led OIG Office of Audit's effort to complete the FY 2009 financial statement audit in-house for the first time in over 10 years.

CHAPTER SERVICE AWARDS

Christina Lilly for her willingness to issue a summer newsletter (July/August) this year, as well as acting as chapter historian and dedication to the newsletter team.

Kristina Poist for her dedication to the newsletter team and issuing the newsletter survey.

Evangeline Labador for heading up the community service project "Holiday cards and candy canes for the soldiers in Afghanistan " in addition to her duties on the CGFM committee this year.

Elaine Wallace for coordinating name badges for our monthly training meetings.

Meetings Committee Members (Letha Holliday, Keith Lewis, Michele Murrill, Brenda Ramos-Jones and Matthew Bilenki) for sustained dedication to making our meetings a success.

John Selby for sustained outstanding service in financial management oversight and practices as chapter treasurer.

Florence Wolford for dedication to writing outstanding articles on training topics each month for the chapter newsletter.

Web Team Members (Garima Khanna, Katie Beach and Briana Yoho) for revamping the chapter website and providing outstanding and dedicated service to the chapter.

Rashad Holloway for coordinating the Career Day at Southside Academy, which was an overwhelming success.

Kelly Stankus for coordinating an outstanding SSA Job Shadowing Day for the Students at Southside Academy.

Darlene Candle for her dedication to providing audio visual support to speakers at the monthly training luncheons.

Dellareese Morton-Smith for issuing a chapter membership survey and performing activities to support a commendable chapter growth in 2009/2010.

Jared Martin for excellent support of President Kinsey's Kudos Awards.

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CGFM Team (Evangeline Labador, Christopher Jankiewicz and Gary Hatcher) for putting on three CGFM certification classes (6 days of classes and for issuing a CGFM survey).

TIMOTHY L. TROCKENBROT, JR. AND ALLAN L. REYNOLDS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Bolajoko Somade - \$1,000 Scholarship
Towson State University
GPA: Overall 3.7

Thao Khuu. - \$1,000 Scholarship
Towson State University
GPA Overall: 3.9

Melanie Moscoso-Meiller - \$1,000 Scholarship
College of Notre Dame
GPA: Overall 3.4

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

For the 2009-2010 program year, the Baltimore Chapter received:

- Highest Overall Chapter Growth Award for Group B
- Platinum Chapter Recognition Award
- Honorable Mention in the National Website competition.

PUBLICATIONS

The Baltimore Chapter published a monthly newsletter from September 2009 through May 2010 and produced a “Summer Edition” of the Baltimore Ledger, which was sent out in July 2009. The chapter participated in the newsletter competition sponsored by National AGA. The chapter also has a website that is routinely updated with current information.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

July Fourth Celebration

July 4, 2009 - The chapter co-sponsored games and races for young children for the Fourth of July on the grounds of a local high school.

Operations Holiday Eagle Campaign

November 19, 2009 - AGA Baltimore worked closely with the Adopt-a-Platoon Soldier Support Effort™ to bring holiday cheer to a platoon of 50 Soldiers deployed in Afghanistan. During the November training, the Community Service Committee collected donations to acquire 50 boxes of candy canes, including greeting cards with heart-warming messages to the Soldiers.

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My Sisters Place

November 30, 2009 - Five AGA volunteers served lunch to approximately 100 women and at My Sister's Place Women's Center located at 17 W Franklin St Baltimore, MD 21201. My Sister's Place is shelter for homeless women and children.

Food Drive

December 10, 2009 - The chapter held a drive for food and cash donations in conjunction with the December meeting and applied these gifts to support the Catonsville Emergency Food Bank. We raised over \$120.

Project Plase

March 18, 2010 – The Chapter collected are and school supplies, as well as men's and women's toiletries, at the March Early Careers Training. Project Plase addresses homelessness by providing transitional housing, permanent housing and supportive services to homeless adults.

Bea Gaddy Social Development Center

March 27, 2010 – The chapter volunteered at Bea Gaddy's Family Center by giving out clothes and canned food to those in need. Rashad Holloway attended this community service activity. The chapter provided the family with a check for \$100. The Early Careers committee organized the event.

Easter Egg Hunt

April 3, 2010 - The chapter was among the sponsors for an Easter Egg Hunt held for area children on the grounds of a local high school. Over 7,500 eggs stuffed with prizes were given out.

Avon Walk for Breast Cancer

May 2-3, 2010 - The Baltimore Chapter sponsored member Briana Yoho who walked 39.3 miles throughout Washington, DC. The chapter also donated \$200.

Our Daily Bread

May 29, 2010 - The Early Careers committee sponsored its annual day of service at the Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen, which is a soup kitchen located in downtown Baltimore. The event was organized by Tonia Hill and nine members volunteered. The volunteers helped serve hot meals to the over 700 patrons to Our Daily Bread on that day. The chapter also presented a \$250 donation to the organization. AGA National matched our donation of \$250, for a total donation of \$500.

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OTHER MISCELLANEOUS CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Joint Meetings

In keeping with a policy of developing ties with other professional organizations in the Baltimore area, the chapter held a joint meeting with the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA) in December 2008.

AGA Members Bike Ride

April 24, 2010 at 11:30 am- AGA members gathered on the BWI bike trail to enjoy a day of bike riding as a social activity for the chapter.

Early Careers Activities:

Happy/Social Hour – The EC Committee sponsored two happy hour/social events (1) November 19, 2009 at Clyde’s in Columbia from 4:30-6:30 pm and (2) Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at Chevy’s Fresh Mex from 4pm – 6:30 pm. Free appetizers and half-priced drinks were served on behalf of the chapter at both events.

Early Career Day at Southside Academy – On December 18, 2009, the EC Committee hosted Career Day at Southside Academy. In addition to the AGA Baltimore Chapter, representatives from Allmond and Company and the US Environmental Protection Agency were in attendance to provide presentations to students on the career successes and the importance of education. A session on dressing for success and interviewing skills was also provided.

Job Shadow Day – On March 19, 2010, the EC Committee hosted a Job Shadow Day at the Social Security Administration. Over 30 students attended from area high schools and shadowed SSA employees from 9am-12pm. The Job Shadowing Day provided the students with a light breakfast and lunch. Kelly Stankus organized the event.

CGFM Activities

CGFM Month in Baltimore – The CGFM Committee worked with the City of Baltimore and had Mayor Stephanie Rowlings-Blake declare March “CGFM Month in Baltimore”. The Mayor’s Office issued the Baltimore Chapter a “CGFM Month” proclamation.

CGFM Training – The chapter sponsored CGFM training for 15 of its members on April 26-28 and May 3-5, 2010 at the Maritime Institute of Technology’s Learning Center. The instructor was Mitch Laine from Management Concepts.

Sectional Leadership Meeting

Eight Chapter Executive Board members from the Baltimore Chapter members attended the SLM in Linthicum, Maryland on April 23-24, 2010. Attendees were Paul Geraty, Bonnie Kind, Walt Fennell, Keith Lewis, John Selby, Katie Beach, Rashad Holloway,

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Dellareese Morton-Smith, and Tonia Hill. The SML is held to bring together incoming AGA Chapter Leaders, Regional Vice Presidents, Sectional Leaders, and AGA National Office Leaders for a structured roundtable discussion to assist chapters and establish effective relationship between all parties.