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President's Message

With summer almost over, and most of us in the thick of closing out the previous fiscal year, preparing for our annual audit, and compiling our CAFRs and other financial reports, it is a busy time of year! With that in mind, I aim to keep this message short – but things are also very busy with the VGFOA.

I wanted to lead with a shameless plug for all of you to consider attending the Fall Conference at the historic Stonewall Jackson Hotel & Conference Center in Staunton, VA on October 21st through October 23rd. This should be another wonderful conference, with many great speakers and topics already confirmed. You can see the conference program on our website.

Speaking of the website, many of you may have noticed some changes – we have recently launched the new and improved (hopefully) vgfoa.org; our hope is that this new format allows for easier navigation and access to content. We will continue to update the site to make it as content-rich and user-friendly as possible.

One last thing – please check the website for information on our upcoming awards which will be given out at the Fall Conference. There is a lot going on, including the Pettigrew College Scholarships, the new James O. McReynolds College Scholarships, the Certificate Program Scholarships, the Innovations Award, and more. You can find information about all of these programs under Members > Award Programs on the new website.

I'm looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Fall Conference in October!

Warmest regards,

Jon

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2015 VGFOA Fall Conference

The Fall Conference is Quickly Approaching –
If you haven't already, make sure you register and reserve your hotel room!

2015 VGFOA Fall Conference
October 21 – October 23, 2015



JOIN US FOR OUR FALL CONFERENCE LOCATED IN STAUNTON, VIRGINIA! REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN.

- NETWORK WITH YOUR PEERS
- EARN UP TO 16 CPE'S
- LEARN LEADERSHIP SKILLS AT THE SHAKESPEARE THEATRE

Here are just a few of the confirmed speakers and topics:

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Mary Kitson, MITRE: Mentoring Programs that Connect and Engage Your Workforce

- John Layman, VA Dept. of Taxation – A Virginia Economic Update
- Banking Cyber Security – Patrick Dickson, Wells Fargo Bank
- Public Private Partnerships – Jo Anne Carter, PFM
- Economic Development or Regionalism – Rodney Oliver, Port of Virginia
- GASB Update – Rob Churchman, Cherry Bekaert
- Health Legislative Update – Tim Worosher, MERCER
- Sustainable, Responsible Investing, Gary Ometer, VA College Savings Plan

- Government's Framework for Internal Control in a Cloud/ERP World, Steven Solomon, GFOA

Check the VGFOA conference webpage for information on additional speakers and topics.

VGFOA Slate for Executive Board

President-Elect

Kathy Seay

Director of Finance and Management Services
Hanover County

Executive Board Member with term expiring October 2018

Jill Underwood

Financial Manager
Bedford Regional Water Authority

Thank you Jon McCubbin & Welcome Stephanie Jones

The VGFOA would like to extend a special thanks to Jon McCubbin who served in many capacities, including teaching certificate classes, evaluating on-line classes, and serving on the Executive Board. Jon McCubbin has recently taken a private-sector job as the Accounting Manager for The Winebow Group. One of his greatest accomplishments as Chair of the Communications Committee was the recently completed update of the [VGFOA website](#). We wish Jon the best in his future and know he will have many successes throughout his career. By unanimous vote of the Executive Board, Jon's vacated seat on the Board has been filled by Stephanie Jones, Program Manager/ Compliance Officer at the Virginia Resources Authority. Welcome Stephanie!

VGFOA Central Regional Training Event Scheduled for Friday, September 4, 2015



The VGFOA Central Regional Organization is having a Cherry Bekaert training event scheduled for Friday, September 4, 2015, from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the Henrico County Training Center. Topics include a GASB Update, Single Audit and Auditing Update, and a session on Internal Controls and Fraud. The event cost is \$35 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and snacks. Registration is now available through the VGFOA website at www.vgfoa.org and is limited to 50 participants. If you have any questions regarding the training please contact Diana Vargas at var03@henrico.us.

Regional activities are a great opportunity to pick up CPE credits and network with neighboring colleagues. If you are interested in participating in a regional committee to plan and assist in these events, please contact Curtis Doughtie at curtis@the-rma.org.

Registration is Available for a New CPFO Review Course!

[Retirement and Benefits, Risk Management, and Procurement](#)

Date: October 7-8, 2015

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm Oct 7, 8:30am -11:00am Oct 8

Location: Roanoke Higher Education Center, 108 N. Jefferson Street

Cost: \$200

The class will count as an elective course in the VGFOA-RU certificate program and qualify for 10 CPE credits.

2015 VGFOA Certificate Courses

The 2015 Certificate courses are open for registration. Registration fees for 2015 are \$225 for Members; \$275 for non-Members. Online registration is available by [clicking here](#).

2015 Dates	Event	Location
September 10-11	Operating and Capital Budgeting	Henrico, VA
September 17-18	Advanced Governmental Accounting	Newport News, VA
November 12-13	Short Term Investments	Fairfax, VA
November 12-13	Internal Controls, Auditing and Fraud	Hanover, VA
December 3-4	Human Resource Management	Chesapeake, VA

Registration is Now Available for 2016 Certificate Courses!

The 2016 Certificate courses are now open for registration. Registration fees for 2016: \$225 for Members; \$275 for non-Members.

2016 Tentative Course Schedule:

2016 Dates	Event	Location
January 7-8	Operating and Capital Budgeting	Newport News, VA
January 14-15	Cash Management and Banking	Roanoke, VA
January 14-15	Operating and Capital Budgeting	Fairfax, VA
February 11-12	Short Term Investments	Henrico, VA

February 25-26	Advanced Governmental Accounting	Fairfax, VA
March 7-8	Grants Management	Henrico, VA
March 24-25	Internal Controls, Auditing and Fraud	Newport News, VA
April 7-8	Understanding Procurement in VA	Charlottesville, VA
May 9-10	Cash Management and Banking	Chesapeake, VA
May 12-13	Pensions, Risk Management and Procurement	Roanoke, VA
June 2-3	Pensions, Risk Management and Procurement	Henrico, VA
June 2-3	How to Prepare a CAFR	Fairfax, VA
September 12-13	Virginia Government and Law	Fairfax, VA
December 8-9	Intermediate Governmental Accounting	Chesapeake, VA
December 12-13	Issuing Debt and Debt Management	Hanover, VA

Online registration is available by [clicking here](#)

Don't forget - our online courses are offered year-round!

Registration fee is \$125 for online courses:

Online: Cash Management and Banking

Online: Introduction to Governmental Accounting

Online: Intermediate Governmental Accounting

Online: Internal Controls, Auditing & Fraud

Cancellation/Refund Policy:

In order to qualify for a refund, notice of registration cancellation must be received at least 7 business days prior to the event. Substitution of attendee may be made at any time.

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