

How to Register

Conference registration is made by clicking [HERE](#) for access to the **Conference Homepage**. Then, click on the button labeled Register Now! All fees are due and payable prior to the conference. Fees must be received by **February 28, 2012** to guarantee your admission. Use the on-line registration form (link above) to pay fees via credit card or by check made payable to Tallahassee Chapter of the AGA.

Note: If registering multiple attendees with a single payment, enter additional people as "Guests" on the on-line registration form. Please include requested information for each of these individuals.

Refunds/ Additional Information

Substitutions or cancellations will be accepted by emailing Cheryl Jones at cbjones_1@juno.com. Cancellations received prior to **February 29, 2012** will receive a full refund. The Chapter reserves the right to substitute session speakers if a scheduled speaker is unable to present. If you have questions, contact Carolyn McGriff at (850) 245-7136 or tallahasseeaga@gmail.com.

Continuing Professional Education

The Governmental Accounting Conference provides 16 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE).

Sponsor Registration

If you are interested in sponsoring the conference please contact Kaye Kendrick, Sponsor Chair at Kaye@kayekendrick.com or call (850) 509-5927.

Featured Speakers/Topics

Richard Bunce, AGA President – *Ethics (And Why Good Leaders Go Bad)*

Lisa Parker, Project Manager, Governmental Accounting Standards Board – *GASB Update*

Edward Mazur, Senior Advisor, Clifton, Larson & Allen, LLP – *Risks from Intergovernmental Financial Dependency - Change is at the Doorstep of State and Local Governments*

Hotel Accommodations

The AGA chapter has arranged for accommodations on Wednesday and Thursday nights (March 14th and 15th) at the hotels listed below. Mention that you are attending the AGA Governmental Accounting Conference.

Marriott Residence Inn - Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol is within easy walking distance of the conference site at 600 W. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32304. Cost per night - \$111 plus 12.5% (without tax exemption certificate). Call (850) 329-9080 to make your reservations. Mention you are attending the conference when making reservations. The reservations cut off date is **February 14, 2012**.



Holiday Inn - This hotel is within 2 miles of the conference site at 1355 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. Cost per night - \$85 plus 12.5% (without tax exemption certificate). Call 1-877-834-3613 to make your reservations. The reservations cut off date is **March 9, 2012**. Use the group code AGA.



Note: We **strongly** encourage attendees requiring hotel accommodations to reserve early.



2012 Governmental Accounting Conference

Theme:

*Celebrating a Decade
of Service -
Embracing the Future*

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**The Tallahassee Chapter of the
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March 15-16, 2012

**Florida State University
Turnbull Conference Center**

Tallahassee, Florida

Program Speakers and Topics

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Scott McPherson, Chief Information Officer, Florida House of Representatives – *Consolidating State Information Technology Resources*

Larry Ferguson, Manager, Performance Management Office, Florida Department of Transportation – *Lessons in Lifelong Learning*

Melinda Miguel, Florida Chief Inspector General and **Helena Sims**, AGA Director of Intergovernmental Relations – *AGA Fraud Prevention Tool Kit*

Beth Breier, Audit Manager, City of Tallahassee – *What You Need to Know to Begin Auditing “Cloud” Computing in Your Organization*

Jeff Barbacci, Audit Partner, Thomas Howell Ferguson P.A. – *Government Auditing Standards Update*

Stephanie Dupree and **Stephanie Sgouros**, Florida Housing Finance Corporation – *Mortgage Fraud in Florida*

Sheryl Steckler, Inspector General, Palm Beach County – *The Public’s Voice: Challenges of Opening a New Office of Inspector General*

Christina Smith, Director, Division of Accounting and Auditing, Florida Department of Financial Services – *State Government Transparency Initiatives*

Amy Baker, Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research – *Florida’s Economic Outlook*

Melinda Cowen, Creative People Consulting – *Microsoft Suite 2010/2011*

Representative Marti Coley, Florida House of Representatives – *Legislative Update*

Ken Schroeder, VP-Business Continuity, Southeast Corporate FCU – *Business Continuity*

David Matkin, Assistant Professor, Florida State University – *Local Government Pension Study - Evidence from Florida Cities and Counties*

Robert Weissert, Vice President for Research and General Counsel, Florida TaxWatch – *Government Cost Savings Task Force*

Lisa Norman, Audit Manager, Florida Auditor General – *Overview of Federal Cost Principles*

Registration Fee

\$150 Members \$225 Non-Members

The registration fee includes breakfast, lunch, breaks, parking and all conference materials for both days. Dress is business casual. Non-members of AGA will receive a \$75 certificate in their conference packet that may be applied towards the cost of an AGA membership (*State of Florida employees ineligible*).

Social/ Networking Hour

A social hour will be held at the conference center on **Thursday** immediately following the program. Attendees are encouraged to participate and network with other conference attendees. Appetizers and refreshments will be served (*no charge to attend*).

Location/ Directions

Florida State (Turnbull) Conference Center

555 W. Pensacola Street
Tallahassee, FL 32306-1640



Access a Google Map page by clicking on this [LINK](#) where you can obtain a tailored map and directions to the conference venue.

Vehicle Parking

Complimentary parking for the event will be available on Levels 1 and 2 of the parking garage, located adjacent to the Conference Center. For your convenience, please use the entrances located on the Macomb Street (Level 2) and St. Augustine Street (Level 1) where there will be parking attendants to direct you to event parking. Elevator and direct access to the Conference Center is located on Level 4 of the parking garage. [Click here](#) for more detailed parking information. *Note:* Parking each morning is free, however, if you exit the parking garage during the day, you must pay for metered (guest) parking upon your return.

Daily Program Agenda

7:00-8:00am	Registration/ Breakfast
8:00-8:15am	Welcome
8:15-10:00am	Presenters
10:00-10:20am	Break/ Networking
10:20-12:00pm	Presenters
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch (<i>provided</i>)
1:00-2:45pm	Presenters
2:45-3:05pm	Break/ Networking
3:05-5:00pm	Presenters
5:00-6:30pm	Social/ Networking (<i>Thursday</i>)