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## GUÅHAN GASETA

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*Guam, where America's day begins.*

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## president's MESSAGE

Cheers to a New Year,

Our January guest speakers are Yoonho Kim, Ernst and Young LLP Consulting Manager and Dr. Jaywon Lee, Sejong University Professor from Seoul, Korea on Robotics Process Automation / Blockchain. 2021 brings hope to us all as the vaccine has arrived and is being administered in order of priority. We have much to look forward to as we continue with our 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary activities. We still need to recognize the Who's Who in Government of Guam Accountability.

Do you want to make a difference in 2021, then we need YOU!!! It is that time of year when we do a call out for officers. This is your chance to develop your leadership skills and shine. IF you are interested in office, please contact President-Elect Paz Perez or any of the nominating committee members Riza Roque, Frances Daneli, or Debbie Ngata.

Thank you to the Young Professional Committee Rachel Cubacub and UOG Jas President Alfredo Tionoso for spearheading our fun virtual Christmas games and the prizes. Congratulations to Alfredo, he graduated in December with his BA in Accounting. Welcome to Jun-Patrick Salalila, incoming JAS President.



## PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE. CONTINUED

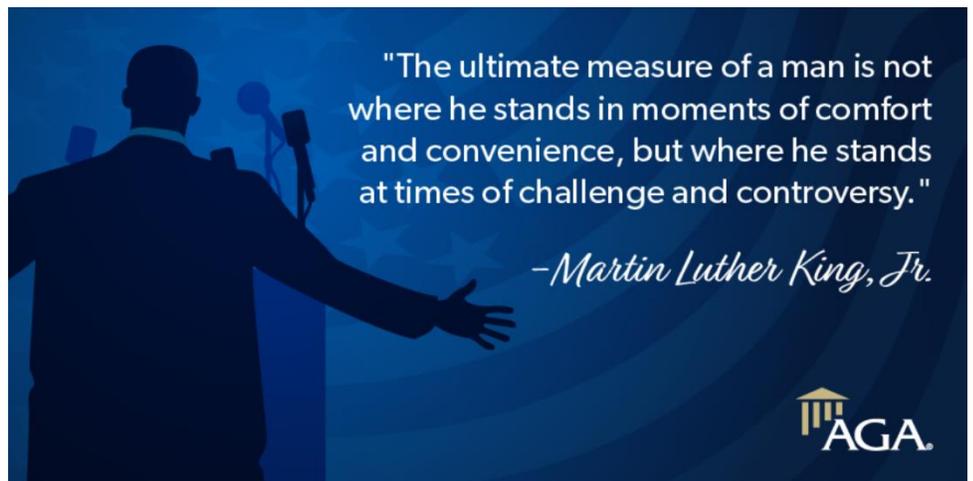
The Herminia Dierking Scholarship for UOG students and the AGA Guam Chapter Scholarship for GCC students is open. Last Fall 2020, we awarded a scholarship to Noli Sanchez, we hope to award more this Spring semester. We need your help in encouraging college students to apply for these scholarships.

As a reminder, AGA's Power of 7 Recruitment Challenge, we need your help! YOU are the best advocates for AGA membership. In as little as 7 minutes – with a quick call or email you can have an impact in recruitment. For our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, our goal is to recruit 50 new members. Remember we as a team can do it!!!

Stay safe everyone and create a great day!



Best regards,  
**Pilar Pangelinan**  
Chapter President



## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

As the island continues to get through this pandemic safely, we will continue to host Zoom meetings to ensure safety of our members and speakers. **Meetings are held every fourth Wednesday of the month at 12:00 p.m.** Meeting invites will be sent to members at least two weeks in advance.

The AGA Guam Chapter will be holding its **January 2021 General Membership Meeting** on **Wednesday, January 27, 2020** via **Zoom at 12:00 p.m.**

Our January Guest Speakers are **Mr. Yoon Ho Kim, Ernst & Young Consulting Manager** and **Dr. Jaywon Lee, Sejong University Professor in Seoul, Korea** regarding **"Robotics Process Automation/Blockchain."**

One (1) CPE will be provided for all attendees.



**January General Membership Zoom Meeting**  
**January 27, 2021**  
**12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**TOPIC**  
**"Robotics Process Automation/Blockchain"**



Presented are the dates of the upcoming General Membership Meetings and the tentative topics to be covered. Please note these are planned topics, subject to the availability of speakers, and may change.

Email reminders will be sent prior to the meetings and will indicate the confirmed speaker and subject matter to be covered.

Should you have any questions or have any recommendations, please contact Program Director Dr. Doreen Crisostomo or President Pilar Pangelinan. We welcome your feedback and look forward to hearing from you.

Date	Tentative Topic
07/22/2020	GGRF / My Total Retirement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
08/26/2020	Overview / Challenges in GovGuam's Procurement – <i>To be rescheduled</i>
09/23/2020	Government Accounting and Auditing Updates <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10/28/2020	Candidate Forum Senator / Congress <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11/25/2020	ERP Computer Software and Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12/23/2020	Recycling / Christmas Activities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>01/27/2021</b>	<b>Robotics Process Automation / Blockchain</b>
02/24/2021	Tax Updates / What You Should Know for Tax Year 2020
03/24/2021	CGFM Month / Professional Development
04/28/2021	Economic Outlook / State of Our Island's Economy
05/26/2021	Ethics in Government / Increasing Trust in Our Government
06/23/2021	Oath of Office / End of Year Celebration

### CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (CEC) MEETINGS

**CEC Meetings** are held **every second Wednesday of the month at 12:00 p.m.** If you are interested in joining discussions for Chapter events or joining a committee, feel free to contact President Pilar Pangelinan.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS. CONTINUED

SPRING 2021 UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The AGA Guam Chapter provides academic scholarships for students who intend to pursue degrees in business administration or public administration disciplines. These scholarships are as follows:

**Herminia Dierking Scholarship Program**

The Herminia Dierking Scholarship program is offered in recognition of the achievements of the late Herminia H. Dierking, a Legislator, Educator, Humanitarian, Past President of AGA Guam Chapter, Past Regional Vice President of AGA Pacific Rim, and a past recipient of the AGA National Chapter Service award. This Scholarship is open to students who intend to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Business Administration, Finance and Economics, or Public Administration at the University of Guam (UOG).



**AGA Guam Chapter Scholarships**

The AGA Guam Chapter Scholarship program is offered in order to "advance government accountability" and transparency in all government levels by reaching out to all accountability professionals from Accounting Technicians to Accountants. This Scholarship is open to students who intend to pursue an Associate's Degree in Accounting at the Guam Community College (GCC).



**Applications are due by Friday, February 5, 2021.** Visit the AGA Guam website or click [here](#) for more information.

*In case you didn't know...*

**AGA National** offers members (or family members) who are pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in disciplines such as accounting, economics, finance, information systems/technology or public administration academic scholarships. Applications are available on the National website (or click [here](#)) and are due by **April 16, 2021.**

Additionally, for our **Young Professional members, AGA National** annually selects up to five young professionals to attend **AGA's Professional Development Training (PDT) in July.** The participants in this program will act as ambassadors for attendees and assist at the AGA exhibit hall booth and other activities throughout the training event. **Application deadline for PDT 2021 in Nashville, TN: Friday, April 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. ET** and can be viewed [here.](#)

**2018 PDT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**

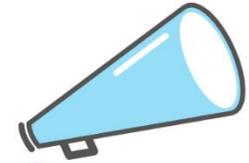


2018

- Justin Castro, Guam Department of Education, Guam Chapter
- Jasmine James, Alabama Department of Rehabilitation, Montgomery Chapter
- Jessica Lippincott, NJ Dept of Transportation, Trenton Chapter
- Amanda Miller, Boise State University, Idaho Centennial Chapter
- Rahim Osman, KPMG, Idaho Centennial Chapter

# UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS. CONTINUED

## ACCEPTING NOMINEES FOR NEXT YEAR'S OFFICERS



*Nominations are open!*

FOR THE  
**AGA GUAM CHAPTER**  
**PROGRAM YEAR**  
**2021-2022**



POSITIONS AVAILABLE:  
**PRESIDENT-ELECT**  
**SECRETARY**  
**TREASURER-ELECT**



INTERESTED MEMBERS SHOULD CONTACT THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE OR EMAIL US AT [AGAGUAMCHAPTER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AGAGUAMCHAPTER@GMAIL.COM)

We are looking for nominees for officers for next Program Year (July 2021-June 2020), to serve alongside Maripaz Perez (as President), Llewelyn Terlaje (as Treasurer), and Pilar Pangelinan (as Immediate Past-President).

Nominations received will be reviewed by the Nomination Committee and elections will take place during the February General Membership meeting.

The positions open are:

**President-Elect** – Will serve as President-Elect during PY21-22, President during PY22-23, and Immediate Past President during PY23-24. The President-Elect will attend LEAD! 2022 and PDT 2022.

**Secretary** – Will serve during PY21-22.

**Treasurer-Elect** – Will serve as Treasurer-Elect during PY21-22 and Treasurer during PY22-23. The Treasurer-Elect will attend LEAD! 2022.

## SAVE THE DATE: 2021 VIRTUAL GUAM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE (GPDC)

AGA & GSCPA  
GUAM CHAPTER  
**2021 VIRTUAL GUAM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE**

*Mark your calendar!*  
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS.  
**05.24.21 to 05.28.21**

[agaguamchapter@gmail.com](mailto:agaguamchapter@gmail.com)  
[aga.guam.net](http://aga.guam.net)  
 AGA Guam Chapter  
 @agaguamchapter  
 CGFM

**We are 4 months away from the 2021 VIRTUAL GPDC!**

If you would like to be part of the planning committee or have any input for the conference, please contact Rodalyn Gerardo, Education Director, or Pilar Pangelinan, President.

Our next planning meeting will be **on Saturday, February 6, 2021 at 2PM via Zoom** (link to be emailed to those interested).

More information on course topics will be available soon!

# UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS. CONTINUED

## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES

As part of its 50th-anniversary celebration and in light of the pandemic considerations, the AGA Guam Chapter announces in lieu of a commemorative gala, the following signature activities have been planned for program year 2020-2021 that will honor our past, recognize our present, and prepare for our future.

### Honoring Our Past

**2020 Prof. John M. Phillips Excellence in Government Accountability Award (September 2020)**   
Legacy of the AGA Guam Publication (April 2021)

### Recognizing Our Present

**Who's Who in Government Accountability (moved to February 2021)**

**Recognition of entities for their Citizen-Centric Reports (CCRs)**

Recognition of AGA Guam Chapter's Certified Government Financial Managers (CGFMs) (March 2021)

### Preparing For Our Future

**GovGuam 50 Under 40: Emerging Leaders in the Government of Guam (October 2020)**

**Awarding recipients of the Herminia Dierking Scholarship (UOG) and the AGA Guam Chapter Scholarship (GCC) (October 2020  and February 2021)**

Hosting the 2021 Virtual Guam Professional Development Conference (May 2021)

Professor John M. Phillips Excellence in Government Accountability Award – Carmen Kwek Santos, VP GCC



Click [here](#) to view the 50 Under 40: Emerging Leaders in the Government Of Guam publication.



### Fall 2020 Scholarship Recipient

“ The Herminia Dierking Scholarship will assist me by reducing my tuition costs, which is extremely helpful towards attaining my Accounting degree and would grant me a chance to sit for the CPA exam. ”

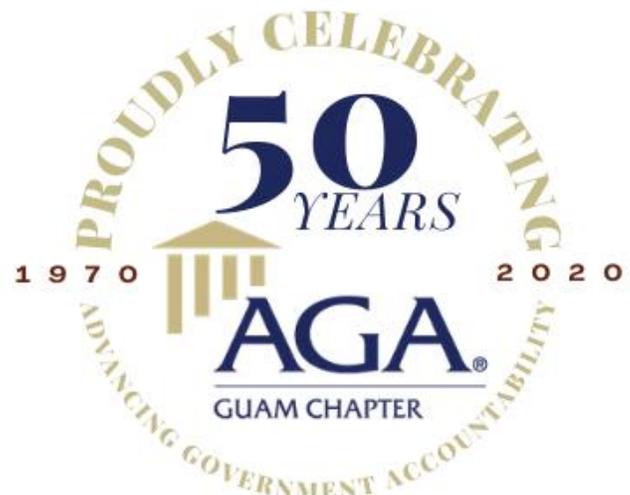


NOLI SANCHEZ, SENIOR - UOG

### Citizen-Centric Report Winners



For CCRs submitted to AGA National click [here](#).



## MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



### DON'T FOREGET IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Invoices are now available on your membership profile and will be mailed out by National. Be sure to renew prior to March 31 to ensure your membership does not get suspended\*.

\* Failure to renew on time will restart your Join Date. AGA recognizes members who have demonstrated distinguished service and dedication throughout the years. *Lifetime membership is conferred upon individuals who have maintained active member status for at least 40 consecutive years.*



*Friendly  
Reminder!*

**UPDATE YOUR  
MEMBERSHIP  
PROFILE  
ON AGACGFM.ORG**

**Be sure to update your member profile for any changes in personal, work, and contact information. This will ensure you receive all your benefits and notifications.**

#### Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do I get my user name and password?

A: You may retrieve your user name and password by completing the requested information (on the website).

Q: Where can I find a membership application to download online?

A: [Download the form here](#) and return it by email to [agamembers@agacgfm.org](mailto:agamembers@agacgfm.org) or by mail to: AGA | 2208 Mount Vernon Ave. | Alexandria, VA 22301

Q: How much are AGA dues?

A: AGA has five dues categories — Government, Young Professional, Private, Retired and Student. Each has a different rate.

Q: Can I send a check for membership dues? If so, what is the address?

A: Yes, membership dues may be paid by personal or cashier's check. Make the check payable to AGA and mail to: AGA | P.O. Box 615146 | Washington, D.C. 20061-5146

Q: How much are my chapter dues?

A: Chapter dues vary; please view the chapter dues chart. Chapters are listed alphabetically.

Q: How can I contact the chapter in my area?

A: See our chapter list. Click on your chapter's name for the contact information.

Q: Can I be a member of more than one chapter?

A: Yes. When you join online, you may select up to four chapters. To add a chapter, please email [agamembers@agacgfm.org](mailto:agamembers@agacgfm.org).

Please note, you may need to pay additional chapter dues. See AGA's chapter dues schedule for more information.

Q: How do I change chapters?

A: Please email [agamembers@agacgfm.org](mailto:agamembers@agacgfm.org) to request a transfer.

Q: How do I update my contact information?

A: You may update your contact information at any time. Sign in to My AGA with your user name and password, then click the edit button at the bottom of your profile page.

Q: How do I obtain my certificate for CPEs?

A: You will need your AGA ID number to obtain your CPE certificate.

Q: Who can I contact to verify my CGFM application or transcripts were received?

A: Contact the AGA Office of Professional Certification at 1-800-AGA-7211, ext. 320, or [agacgfm@agacgfm.org](mailto:agacgfm@agacgfm.org). The CGFM program has a separate list of FAQs.

Did you know... While AGA's Program Year is from July 1 to June 30, AGA's renewal period is from April 1 to March 31. As such, if you join AGA at interim, you will pay the full rate on Year 1, I have a prorated rate upon renewal.

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

# Congratulations

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

**33 YEARS**

**DANIEL SCOTT FITZGERALD, CPA**  
DELOITTE AND TOUCHE LLP

**31 YEARS**

**TALING M. TAITANO, CGFM, CPA**  
GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY

**26 YEARS**

**RANDALL V. WIEGAND, SR., CGFM, CPA**  
UNIVERSITY OF GUAM

**16 YEARS**

**MARIA ANGELA QUINTO BATES, CGFM**  
CONSULTANT

**LLEWELYN RESTUVOG TERLAJE, CGFM, CGAP**  
GUAM LEGISLATURE - OFFICE OF FINANCE AND BUDGET

**14 YEARS**

**DEANNA M. GILMAR**  
DELOITTE AND TOUCHE LLP

**13 YEARS**

**ANITA LINDA M. ARILE**  
GUAM DEPT OF ADMINISTRATION

**5 YEARS**

**FLOREGINE DELA CRUZ**  
IT&E

**JOHN J. KIM**  
GUAM POWER AUTHORITY

**4 YEARS**

**JUSTIN B. CASTRO, CFE**  
GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**2 YEARS**

**FEI FEI TANG**  
SORENSEN MEDIA GROUP  
**CHRISTINE B. VISOSKY**  
UNIVERSITY OF GUAM BUSINESS OFFICE

**1 YEAR**

**GIOVANNI C. ALDAN**  
E-MEMBER

**NORILEEN G. MARCOS**  
NGARDMAU STATE GOVERNMENT

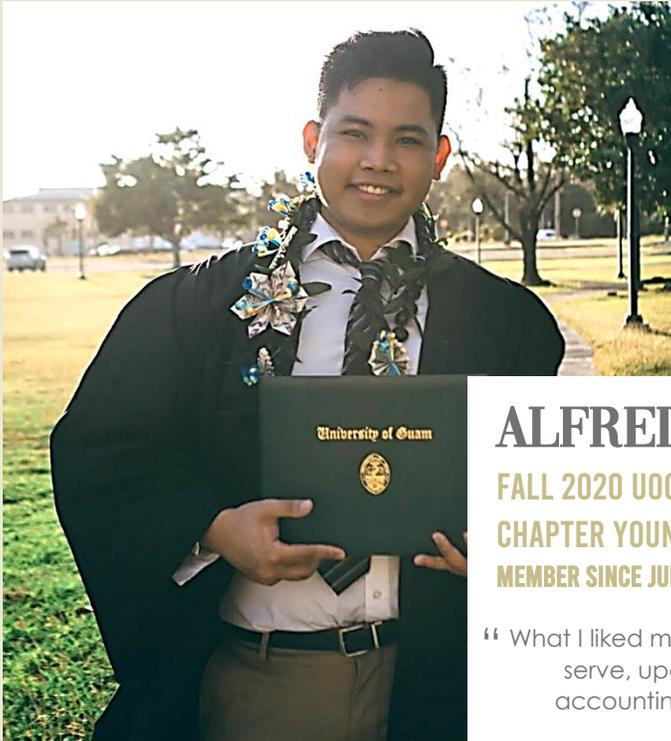
**NEW MEMBERS**

**ALEXANDER DUENAS**  
AMERICAN MEDICAL CENTER  
**JOHANNA PANGELINAN**  
GUAM OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY  
**JUN-PATRICK A. SALALILA**  
E-MEMBER



*Thank you!*  
for your commitment to stay with us!

## MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS



### ALFREDO TINOSO

FALL 2020 UOG GRADUATE, JAS PRESIDENT AND AGA GUAM CHAPTER YOUNG PROFESSIONALS CO-DIRECTOR  
MEMBER SINCE JUNE 2020

“ What I liked most about AGA is how they are committed to serve, update, and educate their members in the accounting profession to grow their careers further.”

1. Name, nickname, designations:

**Hafa Adai! My name is Alfredo Tinoso. Most people just call me that name. I was the JAS (Junior Accountant Society) President-elect for Fall 2019 and Spring 2020. I then served as the organization's President in Fall 2020.**

2. Why did you join AGA?

**When I first joined JAS in my second year of college, I was introduced to AGA. I realized that the organization was considerate to aspiring accountants and it was well established in Guam's community. I thought it was a fantastic way to network and meet many professionals who are skilled in their own positions.**

3. What do you like most about being in AGA?

**What I liked most about AGA is how they are committed to serve, update, and educate their members in the accounting profession to grow their careers further.**

4. Tell us a bit about yourself?

**I am a recent graduate from the University of Guam and got a bachelor's degree in accounting. My current goal is to finally use my knowledge and skills in my future professional work and gain as much experience as I can. I am also aiming to finish my CPA exam this year.**

5. What do you like most about what you do?

**As a recent student and the prior president of JAS, I enjoyed learning more about myself and how I can improve my knowledge and skills as an accountant, leader, and hopefully, a future entrepreneur.**

6. Interesting fact about yourself...

**I have never travel outside the island before except when I visit my family in the Philippines. So, I would like to visit other places in the world when I can do so. I also enjoy swimming on both beaches or pools.**

7. Three words to describe yourself...

**Honest | Hardworking | Flexible**

8. If you didn't get into accounting, what job would you have done?

**If I didn't get into accounting, I would have studied under the finance and entrepreneur program.**

9. Give three favorites (song, food, and movie; or show, color, holiday; or any mix of favorites):

**Food: Fried Chicken | Game: Chess | Song: Remember This by NF**

10. Advice to members to get the most out of their membership.

**My advice would be to join the AGA member meetings, especially when it is back to face to face as much as they can. I would also say to take advantage of the different events they have and join any social programs that will invite any networking.**

## MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

### JUN-PATRICK SALALILA

SPRING 2021 JAS PRESIDENT AND AGA GUAM  
CHAPTER YOUNG PROFESSIONALS CO-DIRECTOR  
MEMBER SINCE JANUARY 2021

“ There is more to accounting than studying journal entries. It also means communicating and collaborating with other people. ”



1. Name, nickname, designations:

**Jun-Patrick Salalila | Nickname: Jun  
President of the Junior Accountants Society**

2. Why did you join AGA?

**Governmental accounting is a lot different from For-profit accounting, and I would like to learn more about it through AGA. I find governmental accounting exciting and unique, especially when it comes to fund accounting. Also, I was inspired by AGA's volunteering events, and I would like to give back to the community more after college.**

3. What do you like most about being in AGA?

**I like the people the most in AGA. Everybody is extremely welcoming and being surrounded by professionals inspire me to strive to become like them.**

4. Tell us a bit about yourself?

**Hello! My name is Jun, and I am graduating this spring. I like meeting new people and hanging out with my friends, but at the same time I can be introverted. I also have a passion for learning, and I am always excited to learn about a new aspect of accounting.**

5. What do you like most about what you do?

**I love that there is always a new challenge that comes my way every day. Learning new things is my passion, and it reminds me that tomorrow is another day of learning.**

6. Interesting fact about yourself...

**I like to study philosophy and history in my spare time.**

7. Three words to describe yourself...

**Hardworking, Persevering, Helpful**

8. If you didn't get into accounting, what job would you have done?

**I would have been a teacher. I love teaching and tutoring my fellow classmates, and in fact, I want to come back as an adjunct professor and teach accounting.**

9. Give three favorites (song, food, and movie; or show, color, holiday; or any mix of favorites):

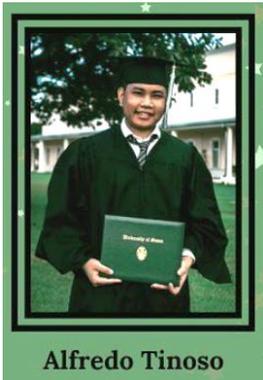
**Food: Nilaga | Color: Blue | Holiday: Christmas**

10. Advice to members to get the most out of their membership.

**I advise students to participate in their events and meetings. There is more to accounting than studying journal entries. It also means communicating and collaborating with other people. Also, the subscription is free as a student, so they might as well make the most out of it. They can learn more about the benefits of AGA, such as taking the CGFM, or being able to network with professionals.**

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Highlighting member achievements



Alfredo Tinoso



Mariella Cruz

**ALFREDO TINOSO**  
**MARIELLA CRUZ**

*Member since June 2020*

*Member since June 2020*

Congratulations to Tinoso and Cruz on graduating from UOG. Tinoso served as our Young Professionals Co-Director and Cruz is our Communications Co-Director.



**EDISON MANALOTO, M.D., CPA, CGFM**

*Member since May 2007*

Shout out to Dr. Manaloto, who served as the commencement speaker for the UOG Fanuchånan 2020 Commencement Ceremony.

Click [here](#) to read the Post's Letter to the Editor on Manaloto's speech.



**BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ**

*Member since March 2019*

Public Auditor Benjamin J.F. Cruz was sworn in by Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido at the Guam Judicial Center during the 7th Inauguration of the Elected Public Auditor held on January 4, 2021.

“Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse for electing me to a second term as your Public Auditor. Your continued trust and confidence in me is truly humbling and I consider it a tremendous honor to serve the people of Guam.”

## OPEN CALL

*Give the recognition they deserve. If you or your agency/company would like to share the spotlight on an outstanding Member, send us a picture and a write-up. We can feature promotions, achievements (certifications earned, completed trainings, etc.), and other highlights.*

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Highlighting member achievements, continued



## DR. ARTEMIO HERNANDEZ, CGFM

*Member since October 2010*

Shout out to Dr. Hernandez for being selected by the Council of State Governments (CSG) for its inaugural National 20 Under 40 Leadership Award! He was featured on the CSG National Magazine "Capitol Ideas," in its December 2020 issue which included 18 elected legislators and 2 appointed officials selected for this prestigious award from throughout the entire country. In the magazine excerpt, Dr. Hernandez encourages young people to consider public service stating, "If you believe in helping those who may never know your name, you are needed. People want leadership--to know that their government doesn't just deliver public

services, but that it is on their side. If this is what you want more than anything else, then be the leader you always wanted to see."

Dr. Hernandez was also awarded the 2020 AGA National Emerging Leader Award. Congratulations!

Click [here](#) to view the article.



## JOSEPHINE GUICO VILLANUEVA, MBA, CGFM, CPA, CGMA

*Member since December 2009*

Congratulations on earning your Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification! "It was indeed a year long journey and I am always having no time to get to study because of competing priorities. I just had to focus and sacrifice most of my me time during this holiday season and get to study. It is not just another 3 letters after my name but the PMP certification teaches me a lot in all areas in my personal and professional journey..."

## CGFM CORNER

Get started on your  
**CGFM**  
 today!

Learn more about the value and benefits of **Certified Government Financial Manager** through a short video here.

Get started today!

[www.agacgfm.org/CGFM](http://www.agacgfm.org/CGFM)

Visit the [agacgfm.org](http://agacgfm.org) or click [here](#) to read up on important Continuing Profession Education (CPE) Requirements. The CGFM CPE policies have been updated to include changes and clarifications to current policies. Changes are effective for all CPE cycles that start after December 31, 2020.

## Did You Know...

### CGFM Edition 5 of 10

**What are the CGFM examinations?** The three comprehensive examinations that make up the core requirement of the CGFM program are:

- Examination 1: Governmental Environment
- Examination 2: Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting
- Examination 3: Governmental Financial Management and Control

**How much are the CGFM exams?** Each CGFM exams are \$125. It must be paid by credit card at the time of scheduling.

**How long do I wait to get my score after I take the exam?** Upon completing each CGFM Examination, test takers receive an immediate pass/fail result that is printed and provided to the test taker at a testing center or visible on the screen following an online exam.

**How are the results of my exam be reported?** Individuals who passed an exam will receive a result that states “**you have passed.**” Candidates who did not pass will receive one that lists their scaled score and can access a more detailed score report that also includes their level of performance in each content area through their Pearson VUE account. A scaled score provides an examination score on a scale that is linked to the raw score.

**What is the passing score for GCFM Exams?** CGFM examinations use a scale of 200-700, with 500 as the passing score.



# AGA<sup>®</sup> RESOURCES

and other member benefits

THE 2021 WINTER ISSUE IS OUT! [CLICK HERE TO READ.](#)



-  COVID-19 Resource Exchange
-  Accountability Talks Podcast
-  intergov
-  Cybersecurity Hub
-  ERM Hub



## LINKS AND RESOURCES

The following is a summary of a few of the many helpful resources available on AGA National's website.

### Free Members-Only Webinars

AGA members enjoy multiple free learning opportunities throughout the year. Members-only webinars are 75-minutes long and offer 1.5 CPEs.

#### March Members Only Webinar

March 17 | 2:00–3:15 PM ET | 1.5 CPEs | 1.5 PDU's | FOS: PD

Program Level: Overview  
Prerequisite: None  
Advance Preparation: None required  
Field of Study: Personal Development (PD)

#### How to Register

Online Registration Process  
Online registrations are for this webinar only.



**March Members Only Webinar**  
March 17 | 2:00–3:15 PM ET

### National Leadership Training

National Leadership Training (NLT) is the essential event for developing and training government financial professionals to excel as leaders in today's competitive market. Don't miss this opportunity to share best practices, find new solutions to challenges, network with peers and learn from the top financial management leaders and industry experts. This training offers up to 14 CPE hours.

For the first time, NLT 2021 will be 100% virtual! NLT offers virtual attendance — from your home or office — so you don't have to miss out on this important leadership training event. Virtual attendance



#### Registration and fees

	Online	Email/mail
<b>AGA member</b>		
Early Bird (by Jan. 29)	\$300	\$325
Standard (after Jan. 29)	\$400	\$425
<b>Nonmember</b>		
Early Bird (by Jan. 29)	\$500	\$525
Standard (after Jan. 29)	\$600	\$625



developing and training government financial professionals to excel as leaders  
February 24–25 | Virtual | 14 CPEs

### Need CPEs?

Aside from the free members-only webinars, AGA National offers at cost (discounted for members), the following:

- [Journal CPE Online Quizzes](#)
- [Self-Learning Training](#)
- Discounted CPEs from [Becker Professional Education Resources](#)
- [Webinars](#)
- Other in-person events

Refer to the [Trainings & Events](#) page on AGA National's website.

# LINKS AND RESOURCES

## AVAILABLE TRAININGS

The Pacific & Virgin Islands Training Initiative (PITI-VITI) is offering the following trainings in virtual format.

Attendees can receive up to 13 CPEs and it is **FREE** of charge for government accountability professionals within the insular areas.

### Practical Ethics for Government Employees – 4 CPE (virtual delivery)

Instructor: Jeanne Yamamura, CPA, MIM, PHD  
 Guam Course Date: February 2-3  
 Guam Time: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
 Registration Link: <https://learn.pitiviti.org/30>

### Contract Auditing: From Small Purchases to Open Contracts – 9 CPE (virtual delivery)

Instructor: Bob Adachi  
 Guam Course Date: February 9-11  
 Guam Time: 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM  
 Registration Link: <https://learn.pitiviti.org/31>



**Practical Ethics for Government Employees**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This 4-hour workshop delivered in 2-hour sessions over 2 days (4 CPE) addresses common ethical problem areas for government employees. It focuses on the importance of culture in maintaining an ethical work environment. Topics covered include: 1) use of government position; 2) conflict of interest – financial; 3) impartiality; 4) seeking other employment; 5) outside activities; and 6) gifts. Examples of applicable statutes and regulations are incorporated into the presentation. The workshop is case based with extensive participant discussion throughout the workshop.

The structure of this course calls for 2-hour daily virtual sessions over a two-day period. Note that full CPE credit is available only for participants who attend the entire workshop.

**February 2-3, 2021**  
 (February 1-2, 2021 for American Samoa, Hawaii, US Virgin Islands)

**4 hours CPE Credit, Virtual Delivery**



**Contract Auditing: From Small Purchases to Open Contracts**  
 (3-day virtual course)

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (Cares) Act has increased the use of contracts at the Federal, State and Local government level. One of the challenges in contracting is to ensure that the prices being paid for goods and services are fair and reasonable. To achieve that end, the role of the auditor is essential. This course will deal with the auditor's role in contract auditing and will emphasize the knowledge and skills necessary to evaluate contract proposals and audit contractor billings.

**February 8 – February 10, 2021**  
 (February 7-February 9, 2021 American Samoa, Hawaii, US Virgin Islands)

**9 hours CPE Credit, Virtual Delivery**

Another opportunity to earn one free CPE, Sponsored by AGA Roanoke Chapter

Who: Mark Canter - U.S. Government Accountability Office

What: Cybersecurity Webinar – 1 CPE , Free to AGA members, \$10 non-members

When: Jan 28, 2021 11:50 AM to 1:00pm **EST**

Where: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89043897200>

## 2020 COMPLIANCE SUPPLEMENT ADDENDUM

On December 22, 2020, the OMB published the 2020 Compliance supplement addendum that impacts at least 31 federal programs. It includes the audit requirements for many programs that have been eagerly anticipated, including the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the COVID-19 Telehealth Program, Education Stabilization Fund, and the Provider Relief Fund, and others. This addendum also includes an additional matrix of compliance requirements, an addendum to part 3-L related to the review of subrecipient reporting requirement under the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA). There is also an update to part 5 of the supplement for the Student Financial Assistance cluster, and an update to Appendix 7 for audit due dates and treatment of donated PPE.

The Department of Transportation also added program specific requirements for the FMCSA cluster, which is not COVID related. The DOT also clarified that references to the 20.000 DOT cross cutting section of the compliance supplement should instead be referencing the Wage Determination section at 20.001. The 20.000 DOT cross cutting section of the compliance supplement was deleted in 2020.

You can view the 2020 Compliance Supplement and Compliance Supplement Addendum [here](#).

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## PROGRAM YEAR 2020-2021 IN REVIEW SECOND QUARTER

### OCTOBER 2020 ACTIVITIES

- General Membership Meeting
- Donation Drive
- Published AGA Guam Chapter CCR
- Published 50 Under 40: Emerging Leaders in the Government of Guam
- AJA and JAS Presentations



**October General Membership Zoom Meeting**  
October 28, 2020  
12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**TOPIC**  
Guam Election First-Time Candidates Forum  
**CANDIDATES**

- John Albert Ananich
- Michelle Lynn Armenta
- Vincent A.V. Borja
- Christopher L. Carillo
- Joseph Iglesias Cruz
- Don Antonio Ada Edquilane
- Dominic Joaquin Hernandez
- Frank G. Leon Guerrero
- Joaquin Vicente Leon Guerrero
- Sandra Reyes Seu



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**Total of \$834.25**

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#### CITIZEN-CENTRIC REPORT

REPORT TO OUR MEMBERS and the Public  
AGA GUAM CHAPTER  
PROGRAM YEAR 2019-2020

**REPORT CONTENTS**

- AGA Overview
- Our Beliefs
- Our Mission
- Our Vision

**MISSION**

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**MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

General Membership Meetings are held every fourth Wednesday of the month from 12:00PM to 1:00PM. Our members' financial interest and general interest in the territory are always topics that impact the profession, government and the public.

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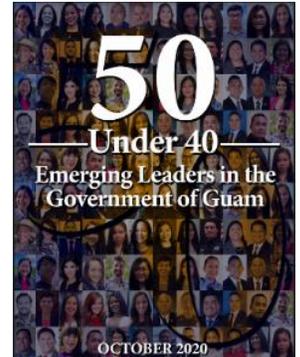
**ABOUT US**

The Association of Government Accountants in Guam Chapter was formed in 1970 with 10 members in the territory. Today, we have 1,200 members. The AGA Guam Chapter provides various educational programs and professional development activities which help advance government financial policies and practices within the island.

**MEMBERSHIP ELECT** The Association of Government Accountants in Guam Chapter (AGA) is a professional organization of accountants and financial professionals in the territory. The AGA Guam Chapter provides various educational programs and professional development activities which help advance government financial policies and practices within the island.

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

AGA Guam Chapter has 10 clubs across the territory. The clubs provide a network of professionals in the territory who can help advance government financial policies and practices within the island.



### ASSOCIATION OF JUNIOR ACCOUNTANTS (AJA) - GCC



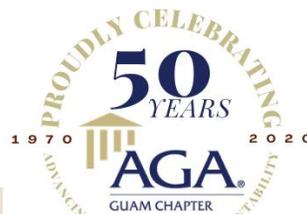
ON OCTOBER 15, 2020, PRESIDENT PILAR AND THE AJA ORGANIZATION INVITED OUR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE TO PRESENT THE VALUE OF AGA MEMBERSHIP



### JUNIOR ACCOUNTANT'S SOCIETY (JAS) - UOG



ON OCTOBER 22, 2020, JAS INVITED OUR MEMBERSHIP AND CERTIFICATION COMMITTEES TO PRESENT ON THE VALUE OF AGA AND THE ADVANTAGES OF THE CGFM CERTIFICATION.



# PROGRAM YEAR 2020-2021 IN REVIEW

## SECOND QUARTER



### NOVEMBER 2020 ACTIVITIES

General Membership Meeting



**November General Membership Zoom Meeting**  
**November 25, 2020**  
 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**TOPIC**  
 "ERP Implementation from a Finance Perspective - Takeaways and Critical Success Factors"

**SPEAKER**  
 Jason Katigbak, IP&E Holdings LLC (Shell Guam) Deputy Chief Financial Officer

One (1) CPE will be provided for attendees.



### DECEMBER 2020 ACTIVITIES

- General Membership Meeting / Virtual Christmas Games
- Awarded the Best CCR Reports and Accountability and Transparency Awards



### GUÅHAN GASETA DECEMBER 2020

#### CCR AND ACCOUNTABILITY & TRANSPARENCY AWARDS

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#### CONGRATULATIONS

to Port Authority of Guam, Guam Visitor's Bureau, and the Judiciary of Guam for earning the Best CCR Award for their FY 2019 CCRs.



For CCRs submitted to AGA National click [here](#).

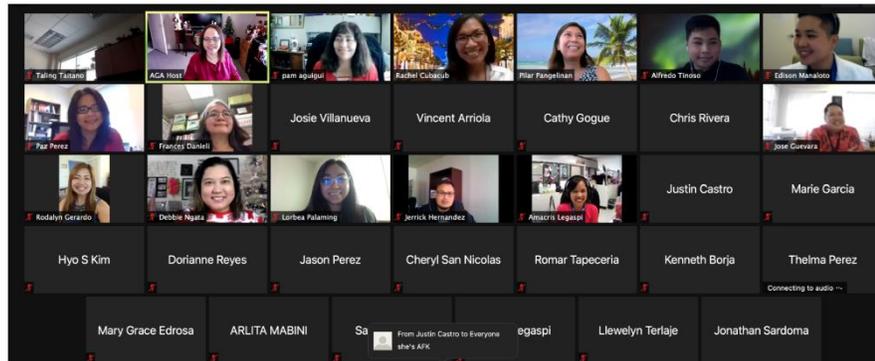
##### ACCOUNTABILITY & TRANSPARENCY AWARDS

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

to the following entities for consistently preparing CCRs:

- Bureau of Budget and Management Research
- Bureau of Statistics and Plans
- Civil Service Commission
- Department of Public Health and Social Services
- Department of Public Works
- Department of Revenue and Taxation
- Department of Youth Affairs
- Government of Guam Retirement Fund
- Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center
- Guam Commission for Educator Certification
- Guam Community College
- Guam Contractors Licensing Board
- Guam Department of Education
- Guam Department of Labor
- Guam Economic Development Agency
- Guam Educational Telecommunications Corporation (PBS)
- Guam Election Commission
- Guam Energy Office

- Guam Fire Department
- Guam Housing Corporation
- Guam International Airport Authority
- Guam Legislature
- Guam Power Authority
- Guam Preservation Trust
- Guam Public Library System
- Gam Public Utilities Commission
- Guam Visitors Bureau
- Guam Waterworks Authority
- Judiciary of Guam
- Mayor's Council of Guam
- Office of the Attorney General
- Office of the Public Accountability
- Port Authority of Guam
- Professional Engineers, Architects, and Land Surveyors
- Public Defender Service Corporation
- University of Guam



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# OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to the Government of Guam on receiving the Certificate of Excellence in Citizen-Centric Reporting. For CCRs submitted to National click [here](#).



AGA National has open nominations for the PDT Awards of Distinction. The Guam Chapter will submit nominations for the Chapter Awards, but we encourage our members to look into the other awards available. Additionally, members who recruit new members may receive the Member Recruitment Award.

## AGA National Awards

### PDT Awards of Distinction

These awards, presented annually at AGA's [Professional Development Training \(PDT\)](#), recognize individuals and chapters for their contributions to AGA and the government financial management community. Congratulations to the [2020 PDT award recipients!](#) Nominations for 2021 awards will be accepted beginning in January and will be due April 5, 2021.

- ▣ Robert W. King Memorial Award
- ▣ Frank Greathouse Distinguished Leadership Award
- ▣ Einhorn-Gary Award
- ▣ Achievement of the Year Award
- ▣ Educator Award
- ▣ International Achievement Award
- ▣ Cornelius E. Tierney/EY Research Award
- ▣ Relmond P. Van Daniker Government Transparency Award
- ▣ Chapter Accountability and Transparency Award
- ▣ Chapter CGFM Award
- ▣ Chapter Education Award
- ▣ Community Service Award
- ▣ Emerging Leader Award of Excellence

## PDT Awards of Distinction

### Emerging Leader Award of Excellence

This award recognizes young professionals for notable contributions towards excellence in government financial management.



**Artemio Ricardo Hernandez, Ph.D., CGFM**  
Deputy Administrator  
Guam Economic Development Authority

Hernandez demonstrates outstanding leadership in his role in the government of Guam and as an adjunct instructor of accounting and public administration at the University of Guam (UOG). His leadership also contributes to his effectiveness on the boards of the Government of Guam Retirement Fund and the UOG Research Corporation.

## Annual Service Awards

### Member Recruitment Awards

#### RECRUITER OF THE YEAR

**Brian Gee**  
New York Capital Chapter  
(19 recruits)

#### TOP SPONSORS

**Doug Newton, Jr.**  
Northern Virginia Chapter  
(15 recruits)  
**Rodalyn May Gerardo, CGFM, CIA, CPA, CGAP**  
Guam Chapter  
(6 recruits)

## Awards Program

July 20-22, 2020

### Chapter Accountability and Transparency Award

This award recognizes chapters for outstanding promotion of AGA's accountability and transparency programs to members and the government financial community, particularly AGA's Citizen-Centric Reporting initiative to promote clear and concise communications between governments and their citizens through four-page publications called CCRs.

#### Chapters with 150-299 members

##### GUAM CHAPTER

The Guam chapter continues to promote the CCR as a valuable tool, offering training on CCR development and acknowledging agencies that have prepared CCRs. Chapter leaders sought recognition of AGA and their chapter through a legislative resolution and an executive proclamation to honor the organization and its mission to advance government accountability. "Future accountants" are encouraged to share in the mission by taking part as judges in the CCR award decisions and through other accountability projects.

### Community Service Award

This award recognizes chapters that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to community service.

#### Chapters with 150-299 members

##### GUAM CHAPTER

In keeping with the "Hafa Adai" spirit, the Guam chapter strives to continue contributions to the government accountability profession. The 18th Annual Accountability 5K Run successfully raised enough funds to provide six scholarships for local college and university students. The event brought together members and sponsors to achieve their goal and opened doors to strengthening relationships within the chapter.

### Chapter CGFM Award

This award recognizes AGA chapters for outstanding promotion of the CGFM program to members, government financial management professionals and their communities.

#### Chapters with 150-299 members

##### GUAM CHAPTER

The Guam chapter continues to encourage members to pursue the CGFM designation through scholarships to cover registration and exam fees, study groups, mentorship programs, and outreach to government professionals and students. The chapter reaches out to financial-related professionals in the government of Guam with reminders that Guam Public Law 33-18 provides a 10% salary increase as incentive pay to earn the CGFM designation.

### Chapter Recognition Program Awards

The Chapter Recognition Program is designed to support, encourage and promote AGA's mission and to provide flexible guidelines for a well-rounded chapter. Award levels are based on the number of credits earned during the year. Each chapter is listed with their 2019-2020 chapter president.

#### PLATINUM (19,501-25,000 credits)

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