



MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

MnGFOA NEWSLETTER

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Message from the President

By Cathy Shuman

I sure hope you enjoyed the events offered by the Minnesota GFOA during the month of July. The annual golf tournament moved to a new location at Greenhaven in Anoka. Over 50 active and associate members joined in and enjoyed a rainy-muggy-sunny day, but any day on the golf course is worth it!

Another great social event was the Hyatt Reception held on July 21 in conjunction with the National GFOA training. Over 35 people enjoyed the hospitality and good food compliments of our wonderful sponsors. Many thanks to Lynn Cornwell for organizing and making all of the arrangements for the reception.

The August boat cruise on Lake Minnetonka should be a fabulous outing. At this point, there are over 70 members signed up and a larger boat has been secured. I'm sure the networking, guest speaker and food will all add up for a nice day on the lake.

Last month, I summarized some of the sessions I attended at the National GFOA conference. I promised to include more information on the Task Force study on "Generational Change in the Workplace." This study ties in with my theme for the year on preparing and mentoring the next generation of financial leaders.

The Task Force identified 3 main issues for consideration: Recruiting, Retention and Retirements. From these, the Task Force developed 6 objectives, which were the focus of their analysis, review and recommendations for the study that was undertaken.

The objectives for addressing the issue of Recruiting are: (1) Create a larger, broader and more qualified pool of public service candidates; and (2) Reimagine the recruitment process in government to make both government and government finance professions

appealing to job seekers. For Retaining a competent and committed workforce, the objectives are: (3) Manage and motivate a workforce composed of diverse generations, experiences, attitudes, and beliefs; and (4) Address inter-generational differences to assure a positive work environment. In managing the Retirement of baby boomers, the objectives are: (5) Understand the potential for retirements and take steps to harness the commitment and experience of retirees as a resource for government; and (6) Prepare public agencies for the future through effective knowledge transfer and mentoring strategies.

An outcome of the Task Force study was the detailed identification of Strategies for Achieving, Local Government Actions, and GFOA Actions for each of the 6 objectives. The details are too lengthy to include here, but well worth your time to go to www.gfoa.org and print off the full report entitled "Draft Generational Change Task Force Report."

NEW TIF REPORTING FORMS

At the July meeting we heard information from Arlin Waelti, Assistant State Auditor, and Travis McGlothlen, TIF Analyst, from the Office of the State Auditor on changes to the annual reporting form coming for next year. The new forms will first be used in 2011 for calendar year 2010. I have seen the proposed forms and there will be more detail to be provided on the forms.

The State Auditor's office will be presenting additional sessions on the proposed forms including a session at our annual conference this fall.

If you are interested in previewing the forms by and filling in the forms this year (no need to submit them to the State Auditor) to see what types of additional information is going to be needed, you can contact Travis at the State Auditor's Office at 651-282-2386 or email to travis.mcglathlen@state.mn.us

MONTHLY MEETING



National GFOA Awards Honorary Lifetime Membership to Gary Norstrem



- DATE:** Wednesday, August 18, 2010
LOCATION: Bayview Event Center on the Queen of Excelsior II Boat
TOPIC: Making Performance Measurement Work
SPEAKERS: **Matt Stemwedel**, Assistant to the City Administrator, City of Woodbury
TIME: 11:45 am – Boarding
12:00 pm–2:00 pm – Lunch, Cruise & Program
LUNCH: Picnic Buffet
COST: \$20

Making Performance Measurement Work.

Performance measurement is both derided by some as burdensome rubbish and praised by others who perceive it as the answer to all of their management problems. The truth, of course, falls somewhere in-between. Come join our speaker for the day, Matt Stemwedel, to explore the topic of performance measurement and both its benefits and limits.

Matt Stemwedel, Assistant to the City Administrator, has coordinated the City of Woodbury's performance measurement program since 2007. Recently Matt was appointed by the League of Minnesota Cities to serve on the Council on Local Results and Innovation, which was created through legislation enacted during the 2010 legislative session. The purpose of this 11-member council is to develop standard performance measures for cities and counties, who would participate on a voluntary basis, and is aimed at measuring efficiency and effectiveness in providing services.

The City of Woodbury started its performance measurement program in the mid-1990's and since that time the program has grown to include measures for nearly all city services. Matt will discuss the city's program, its usefulness, and opportunities to bring performance measurement to your city.

Reservations: It is required that you register on the MnGFOA website (mngfoa.org) because there is a limit on the numbers that can fit on the boat. – there is a link on the home page to register for the luncheon event. You can pay for the luncheon online also!!



Gary Norstrem, GFOA member for over 45 years, was nominated and honored with an honorary lifetime membership at the National GFOA conference in June. Pictured is Gary receiving the award. Minnesota was proud to second the nomination of this special award.

In 1996, Gary Norstrem from St. Paul became the third Minnesota GFOA member to serve a three-year term on the Executive Committee of the National GFOA. He was then elected as President Elect in 1990 and was elevated to President in 1991. GFOA staff, Past Presidents, and many members count Gary as one of the best Presidents to ever hold the highest of GFOA offices.

In the Minnesota GFOA, Gary served on the Executive Board and was President from 1977-78. He shared his talents with the organization for many years and was recognized in 1984 with the Thomas J. Moran award, which is present to individuals who have clearly demonstrated that they have made an outstanding effort toward the improvement of public financial administration.

Other notable items about Gary include his many years of service for St Paul, a member of the PERA executive board for many years, a senior vice president of Piper Capital Management, and affiliation with the Association of Public Treasurers of the United States and Canada (APT US&C). In 1996, Gary received the APT US&C Service Award showing his commitment to excellence and recognizing his outstanding voluntary participation and motivation to further the purposes of the Association. In 1994, Gary offered his review of the book, "Deregulating the Public Service: Can Government be Improved?" and recommended that elected and appointed officials not only read this book but seize the opportunity to lead the effort to improve government administration.

Our congratulations go out to Gary from the Minnesota GFOA. We wish him the best in the years ahead!

COMMITTEE

Executive Committee Update

The Executive Committee met on July 28th and took the following actions:

- Approved meeting minutes for June
- Approved check registers and Treasurer's reports for June
- Awarded John Lilja Scholarships
- Awarded Robert Ehlers Sr. GFOA Scholarship
- Heard updates from the various committees

2010 MnGFOA TREASURER SELECTION

The MnGFOA Treasurer Selection Committee is now seeking nominations for the 2010 Treasurer. All members are encouraged to consider making a nomination, and you can nominate yourself.

Officers of the MnGFOA provide direction and ongoing support for the organization. They are vital to keeping the MnGFOA a well-regarded and valuable association to its membership. Please help maintain the high quality of officers by nominating someone who is committed to the government finance profession and can provide leadership to the organization. The 2010 Treasurer will advance to the next Executive Board position each year and serve as President in 2013. Treasurer candidates must be an active member in the association for at least three years.

Nominations are due by August 16, and should include the individual's name and contact information, past involvement with MnGFOA and/or national GFOA, and any other information you feel makes the individual a strong candidate. Please contact Dennis Feller at 952-985-4481 for more information. Email or send nominations to Dennis Feller at dfeller@ci.lakeville.mn.us or the City of Lakeville, 20195 Holyoke Avenue, Lakeville, MN 55044.

November's Monthly Meeting Topic (Extended Session) ~ Mark your calendar

"An underwriter's perspective: What underwriters like to see and want to avoid in a bond issue."

Speaker: Paul Donna, Northland Securities, Inc.

The MNGFOA is working to attract tomorrow's Financial Leaders

Over the past twelve years, the MNGFOA has remained a sponsoring organization and exhibitor at the annual Accounting & Auditing Student Conference. In this role, the MNGFOA has an opportunity to visit with over 600 students from area colleges and universities who are interested in learning about careers in governmental finance and accounting. We need your help in getting the message out! The MNGFOA is looking for members from governmental organizations that are willing to spend some time helping out during the event as a conference ambassador, or in the exhibit booth.

This year's conference is Thursday, September 16, 2010, and runs from 8:30 – 3:30 p.m. We could use your help especially in the morning hours, but if you can stay the whole day, there will be a free lunch plus a motivational speaker during the break!

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Has your organization recently hired employees that have recently completed a degree program? At the annual Accounting & Auditing Student Conference, a forum is provided where students interested in careers in governmental finance and accounting can visit with employees that have recently completed a four-year or two-year degree program, and have gone on to work for governmental agencies. This has proven to be extremely popular as the sessions are held 'behind closed doors' which gives the students a chance to find out what it's like to work in government, and how rewarding it can be.

We need your help in introducing students to careers in governmental finance and accounting. If you are a recent grad or your organization has hired a recent grad in the past five years, we would like to extend an invitation to the conference so that they can share their success stories with our future hiring prospects.

If you are willing to help us out on these important efforts, please contact Darin Nelson at 952-939-8254, or by email at dnelson@eminnetonka.com, or Amy Sevig at 952-563-8704, or by email at asevig@ci.bloomington.mn.us.

INTERNSHIP GRANT FOR 2011

The MnGFOA Internship Grant provides valuable work experience to a student interested in a career in government finance. The Grant also allows an active member of MnGFOA and his or her government to employ an intern who can supplement the current staff by assisting with various tasks and projects.

The Internship Grant is a 50/50 matching grant of up to \$3,000. The Grant will be awarded by October 31 of each year, and may be used any time during the following calendar year. Grant application deadline is September 30. Each government receiving a Grant may select an intern to fill the position or, if requested, the MnGFOA may assist by providing resumes of interested students.

The Grant will be awarded based on the following factors listed in priority order:

- Duties and projects assigned to the intern. (60%)
- The applicant's expectations of the internship including the benefits to both the intern and the government. (30%)
- Special needs or special circumstances of the government. (10%)

Because the intent of this Grant is mainly to provide a wide variety of applicable government finance work experience to a student, grant submissions that offer the intern an opportunity to function as true staff member (not someone assigned to only one project or performing duties that are not a normal function of the finance department) will be given priority.

The MnGFOA will reimburse the Grant recipient for fifty percent of the documented internship wage and benefit costs up to a maximum grant of \$3,000. The Grant recipient shall provide wage and benefit expenditure documentation to the MnGFOA before the Grant is paid.

Internship forms and information can be obtained from the website at www.mngfoa.org or from an MnGFOA Executive Board Member. Please send submissions to: Cathy Shuman, 505 Walnut Street, Suite 1, Monticello MN 55362 or cathy.shuman@ci.monticello.mn.us.

Upcoming Educational Opportunities



Please mark your calendars for these October trainings:

- Thursday, October 7, 2010 - **Beginning Accounting** Hermantown, MN – Training Center (5111 Maple Grove Road, Hermantown, MN 55811)

A block of hotel rooms will be available, please watch for more information.

- Tuesday, October 19, 2010 - **Beginning Accounting** Mankato, MN – City Center Hotel (101 East Main Street, Mankato, MN 56001)

A block of rooms have been set aside for the MN Government Finance Officers at a rate of \$70.00 / night. Please call the City Center Hotel directly at 507-345-1234 to reserve a room for October 18, 2010. Their website, for more information, is www.mankatomnhotel.com.

- Wednesday, October 20, 2010 - **Intermediate Accounting** Minneapolis, MN – Ramada Plaza (1330 Industrial Blvd NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413)

This session will be held in conjunction with the October monthly meeting. The session will start in the morning, break for the monthly meeting luncheon with a speaker, and resume after lunch.

In an effort to help more cities take advantage of the trainings this year, the MN GFOA is happy to announce that the cost for each session will be \$50.00 per person.

These sessions will be presented by MN GFOA members Sue Iverson and Tom Kelly. All sessions will be held 9:30 am – 3:30 pm; check-in will begin at 9:00 with a break for lunch around noon.

Please check the MN GFOA website, and your inbox, for more information on these events. You may register on our website at www.mngfoa.org or you may contact Katie Reed with any questions at 952-227-1142 or email to kreed@ci.chanhassen.mn.us.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 22-24

Don't Stop Thinkin' About Tomorrow...or about the 2010 Fall Annual Conference

The MnGFOA Annual Conference will be held at Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center from Wednesday, September 22 through Friday, September 24. Opening Keynote speaker Arne Carlson will talk about the history and evolution of State aid programs for cities and counties. Breakout sessions will include information on GASB 51 and 54, PCI compliance, fraud protection, popular financial and budget reporting, alternate revenue sources and many, many more key topics for finance officers working in today's economic conditions. Closing Keynote speaker Meagan Johnson will speak to generational differences in the workplace and how to use them to the best advantage of the organization.

Registration forms are included in this newsletter and are available on our website.

- Conference Registration Form is due by August 27 – send to Liz Berger as indicated on the form. Please use the registration form provided in this newsletter or register online at www.mngfoa.org (MC/Visa accepted online).
- Room Reservation Form must be faxed or mailed to Arrowwood by August 27, 2010. Enclosed is a room reservation form, which you must use to make your lodging reservation – please make sure to include ALL information requested including roommates

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Rick Pribyl

Fridley's Finance Director, Rick Pribyl, will be retiring after 29 years of service on July 30, 2010. The City of Fridley will be holding a retirement luncheon on Wed., Aug. 18 at the Fridley Community Center (12 noon). MnGFOA members are invited to attend – if you wish to attend please contact Joan at the City of Fridley at 763-572-3504.

Congratulations, Rick on a job well done!!

Annual Conference Advertising

The 2010 Annual Conference will be at Arrowwood again this year, September 22 – 24, 2010. The theme this year is “Don't Stop Thinkin' About Tomorrow.”

Associate members are invited to achieve maximum results by placing an advertisement in the annual conference book.



Your ad will be seen by hundreds of finance officers and other finance professionals and will help to defray the costs of the conference for all members. The MnGFOA Board has discontinued the printed directory and has enhanced this Conference advertising opportunity by printing these ads in color. Note – this is the Minnesota GFOA's only Associate member advertising opportunity! The related costs are as follows:

1/4 Page	(3 1/4 " W X 4 1/2 " L)	\$ 300
1/2 Page	(7 " W X 4 1/2 " L)	\$ 450
Full Page	(7 " W X 9 " L)	\$ 600

To submit your ad, email a “clean” color or black and white copy of your ad to George Eilertson at geilertson@northlandsecurities.com by **August 13, 2010**. If you placed an ad in the 2009 program, we have your ad on file. If you would like to re-run the same ad please indicate. The quality of your program ad will only be as good as what you send us. Acceptable ads will be the appropriate size and acceptable in Adobe (.pdf); MS Word (.doc); MS Publisher or MS PowerPoint (.ppt).

Make your check **payable to “MnGFOA”** and send to:
George Eilertson, Sr. Vice President
Northland Securities, Inc.
45 South Seventh Street - #2000
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

NOTE – if you would like to pay for your ad with a credit card please contact me at 612-851-5906.

This is a great way to keep your name in front of the general membership and support the Association at the same time. Thanks to all of you who purchased ads last year. We are looking forward to a great conference and hope to see you at Arrowwood this fall.

JOHN B. LILJA UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The Board of the MN Government Finance Officers Association wishes to extend their congratulations to the winners of the John B. Lilja Undergraduate Scholarship. **Katie Reed** from Cardinal Stritch University and **Joel Gregory** from St. Cloud State University were selected for the John B. Lilja Scholarship out of eight applicants representing four different colleges. You may recognize Katie's name, and you're correct, Katie is currently employed as an Account Clerk at the City of Chanhassen

Applicants are reviewed on a number of different attributes but one of the key attributes is a demonstrated interest in the governmental accounting profession.

ROBERT L. EHLERS SR. GFOA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The Board of the MN Government Finance Officers Association wishes to extend their congratulations to the winner of the Robert L Ehlers, Sr. GFOA Scholarship Margaret Egan a Budget Analyst with the City of St. Paul. The Robert L Ehlers, Sr. GFOA Scholarship was created and funded by Ehlers and Associates to honor their founder. The scholarship funds the registration fee to attend the National GFOA conference which was held this year in Atlanta. Congratulations Margaret! The Board also thanks Ehlers and Associates for providing this educational opportunity to our members.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE ON RECENT JOB CHANGES:

Gayle Bauman ~ Gayle recently returned to the City of Maplewood as the Finance Director

Darcy Mulvihill ~ Darcy who recently accepted the Finance Director position with the City of St. Francis

Mary Swenson ~ Mary recently accepted the finance director position at the City of Granite Falls.

CPFO Testing – September 21, 2010 & November 4, 2010 Dates Confirmed

The Education committee will be hosting a site on Tuesday, September 21st during the annual conference in Alexandria. The City of Forest Lake will also be hosting a CPFO examination on Thursday, November 4, 2010 from 1:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Forest Lake City Hall.

For further information on the examination, please see the GFOA website.

For information about the Forest Lake test site, contact Ellen Paulseth, Finance Director, City of Forest Lake. For Questions on the Alexandria test site you may contact Katie Reed at the City of Chanhassen.

CPFO Testing - Sites and Dates

- September 21– Annual Conference
- November 4 – City of Forest Lake

Important Dates

- August 18, 2010 – Monthly Luncheon, Lake Minnetonka
- September 21, 2010 CPFO Exam Annual Conference Alexandria, Minnesota
- September 22-24, 2010 – Annual Conference, Alexandria Minnesota
- October 7, 2010 – Beginning Governmental Accounting, Hermantown, Minnesota
- October 19, 2010 – Beginning Governmental Accounting, Mankato, Minnesota
- October 20, 2010 – Intermediate Governmental Accounting, Ramada Plaza Minneapolis, Minnesota
- October 20, 2010 – Monthly Luncheon, Ramada Plaza Minneapolis
- November 4, 2010 – CPFO Exam, Forest Lake City Hall
- November 17, 2010 – Quarterly Training – Extended Session “An underwriter’s perspective: What underwriters like to see and want to avoid in a bond issue” Ramada Plaza Minneapolis
- December 15, 2010 – Monthly Luncheon, Ramada Plaza Minneapolis

MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
“DON'T STOP THINKIN' ABOUT TOMORROW”

<u>WHEN:</u>	September 22– 24, 2010
<u>WHERE:</u>	Arrowwood Resort Alexandria, Minnesota

CONFERENCE [9/22-24/2010]	BY	AFTER
<u>REGISTRATION FEE</u>	<u>August 27</u>	<u>August 27</u>
Member	\$ 225.00	\$ 250.00
Non-Member	\$ 285.00	\$ 310.00

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Minnesota GFOA

MAIL REGISTRATION/PAYMENT TO: Liz Berger, Accounting Coordinator
City of Minnetonka
14600 Minnetonka Blvd
Minnetonka, MN 55345
Fax (952) 939-8244

Note: You must register on-line at www.mngfoa.org to pay by credit card (MC / Visa only).

LODGING: YOU MUST make separate arrangements by completing the attached lodging registration form for Arrowwood Resort by August 27, 2010. YOU MUST MAIL OR FAX YOUR RESERVATION FORM. Reservations are on a first-come first-served basis and overflow lodging reservations WILL BE made for you by Arrowwood. You are encouraged to make arrangements to share a room.

Townhome rooms are available at the standard room rate. Each bedroom in a townhome unit will be considered a standard room. Please direct any questions regarding townhome assignments to Arrowwood Resort.

REFUND POLICY: All cancellation requests regarding lodging must be directed through Arrowwood Resort and are subject to their policies. Conference cancellation requests received by September 17, 2010 will be refunded in full. All cancellation requests received after September 17, 2010 will be subject to a \$100 charge to cover expenses. Requests for refunds on the conference fee will only be considered up to September 24, 2010.

*THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE INVITES ALL PARTICIPANTS TO DRESS CASUALLY
AND ENJOY THIS YEAR'S CONFERENCE*

MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
“DON'T STOP THINKIN' ABOUT TOMORROW”
Lodging Reservation Form
September 22-24, 2010

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Company _____

Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____

Street _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Day Phone (____) _____

Special Requests: (i.e. Room accessibility, dietary, etc.)
 Explain: _____

All of our lodging is non-smoking.

Method of Payment:

____ Check-Send with form
 ____ Credit Card - Card Charged Upon Receipt of Form
 Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover accepted.

Card # _____ Exp. ____/____

Cardholder's name: _____

Signature: _____

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations requests received after September 17, 2010, will be subject to a charge for one-nights lodging plus tax.

MGFOA requests that all cancellations be made as soon as possible to make rooms available for other conference attendees.



LODGING SELECTIONS

____ \$106.00 Standard accommodations/ Per night + tax

____ I am willing to stay in a Townhome unit, if no standard rooms are available at Arrowwood.

____ \$106.00 Townhome room accommodations/ Per night + tax

Please select Townhome preference:

____ 3 BR Townhome Unit

____ 4 BR Townhome Unit

____ \$159.00 Suites Per night + tax (Suites are limited)

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

Total Room Nights: _____

ROOMMATES

If you are sharing a room or townhome, each person must complete a separate reservation form.

List name(s) of the roommate(s) you've selected:

If you are selecting roommates, reservation forms must be mailed or faxed together. If not received together, specific roommate requests cannot be guaranteed.

Overflow lodging reservations will be made for you by Arrowwood. Once Arrowwood Resort is full, attendees will be notified where their reservation has been made.

MAIL OR FAX ENTIRE FORM TO:

Arrowwood Resort & Conference Center

2100 Arrowwood Lane NW

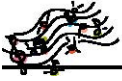
Alexandria, MN 56308

FAX: 320-762-0133

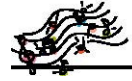
Phone: 320-762-1124

****NO RESERVATIONS TAKEN WITHOUT FORM.****

HOTEL CHECK-IN TIME IS 4 P.M.
HOTEL CHECK-OUT TIME IS 11 A.M.



“DON'T STOP THINKIN' ABOUT TOMORROW”



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

MnGFOA 47th Annual Conference – September 22 to 24, 2010

Arrowwood Resort, Alexandria, MN

TIME	TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 21
1-5 pm	CPFO Testing
6-9 pm	MnGFOA Volunteer Reception At Townhouse

TIME	WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22
9-10 am	Registration Upper Conference Lobby
9:15-9:45 am	New Attendee Orientation Session
10-11:45 am	<i>“The Minnesota Miracle: Then and Now”</i> Arne Carlson Lower Conference Center
12-1 pm	LUNCH – Lake Darling Ballroom
1:15-2:45 pm	<i>Stellar Supervision</i> Lisa Lynn Lake Osakis
	<i>PCI Compliance</i> QBC Lake Miltona
	<i>Popular Reporting: Budget & CAFR</i> Iverson, Kotchevar, Rollins Lake Minnewaska
	<i>Digital Government</i> Roundtable Discussion

2:45-3:00 pm	BREAK – Tennis Center
3:00-4:30 pm	<i>Long Term Planning and Budget Stability</i> Panel Discussion Lake Osakis
	<i>Cybercrime and Check Fraud</i> Greg Whistler Lake Miltona
	<i>Work/Life Balance</i> Lisa Lynn Lake Minnewaska

4:45-6 pm	Activities – Posted in Book and by Registration Table
7-8 pm	DINNER – Lake Darling Ballroom
8pm-12 am	Johnny Holm Band

TIME	THURSDAY SEPT 23
7-8:30 am	BREAKFAST – Lake Darling Ballroom
8:30-10 am	<i>Dispute Resolution</i> William Joynes Lake Osakis
	<i>Economic Update: Fick’s Fabulous Forecast</i> Barry Fick Lake Miltona
	<i>Alternate Revenue Sources</i> Margaret Kelly Lake Minnewaska
	<i>Reading/Book Discussion</i> Roundtable Discussion

10-10:15 am	BREAK – Tennis Center
10:15-11:45 am	<i>Labor Negotiations</i> William Joynes Lake Osakis
	<i>GASB 51, 54 and Update</i> HLBTR and KDV Lake Miltona
	<i>Legislative Update</i> Gary Carlson & Jennifer O’Rourke Lake Minnewaska
	<i>Policies and Policy Development</i> Roundtable Discussion

12-1:30 pm	LUNCH – Lake Darling Ballroom Annual Business Meeting
1:30-3:00 pm	<i>ARRA, BABS and the New Debt Frontiers</i> Julie Delene Lake Osakis
	<i>Internal Controls (incl alternatives for small cities)</i> Larson Allen Lake Miltona
	<i>OSA and the New TIF Forms</i> Arlin Waelti Lake Minnewaska
	<i>Investment Roundtable</i> Roundtable Discussion
	<i>CPFO Program</i> Lake Carlos
3-5:00 pm	<i>Optional Recreational Sessions:</i> <i>Learn to Walk for Fitness</i> <i>Meditation and Stress Relief</i>
3-6:30 pm	Activities – Posted in Book & By Registration Table
7-10 pm	Comedy – C. Willi Myles and Jay Wendell Walker

TIME	FRIDAY SEPT 24
7:30-9 am	Continental Breakfast – Tennis Center
9-11 am	<i>Zap the Gap</i> Meagan Johnson Lower Conference Center
11:15-1 pm	BRUNCH – Lake Darling Ballroom
PLEASE...	
REMEMBER YOUR EVALUATIONS AND CPE FORMS	

ROOM RESERVATIONS
<p><u>Use Arrowwood Reservation Form:</u> Standard \$106 single/double per night Suite \$159 single/double per night</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Overflow:</u> Arrowwood will make ALL overflow reservations</p>

CONFERENCE INFORMATION
<p>Daniel Jordet, Chair 763-569-3345 djordet@ci.brooklyn-center.mn.us Kathryn Reed, Vice-Chair 952-227-1144 kreed@ci.chanhassen.mn.us</p>

ADDITIONAL MEAL TICKET COST
<p>Breakfast \$</p> <p>Lunch \$</p> <p>Dinner \$</p>

Ron Hedberg
City of Apple Valley
7100 147th Street West
Apple Valley, MN 55124



Message from the Editor

If you have any information that you would like to see in the newsletter, including articles, please send them to me. Also you can send me any news for our newsletter: job openings, ads related to government finance, career moves, committee updates, or other noteworthy items.

The cutoff date is the 20th of each month, and the newsletter will be emailed or mailed about the first day of the upcoming month.

Thanks.

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TOM MORAN AWARD



The Thomas J. Moran Award is given by the MnGFOA in recognition of extraordinary service rendered by an individual to advance the quality of public financial administration, promote the development and education of governmental accounting and accounting personnel and promote high standards in the field of government finance in Minnesota.

This honor is awarded annually when, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, an individual has clearly demonstrated by outstanding effort that they are dedicated to the improvement of public financial administration as best exemplified by our past member and president, Thomas J. Moran. Any member of the MnGFOA may nominate a candidate for the award. Any person engaged in governmental finance or accounting in the State of Minnesota, whether an active or associate member of the MnGFOA, is eligible for the award.

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