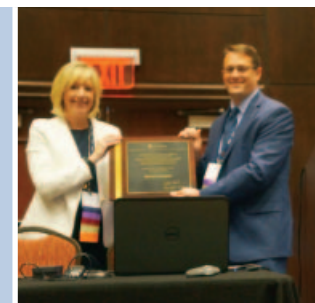




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A conversation with your new IGFOA President

New IGFOA President Bill Hannah looks forward to the year ahead

"Although the manner in which we do our jobs has changed over the years, IGFOA's importance and relevancy has only increased," Bill Hannah, IGFOA's new President, says with pride. "Through recessions, state fiscal crises, budgetary challenges, changes in federal and state laws, and massive changes in governmental finance reporting requirements, IGFOA was, is and will continue to be an outstanding resource for all of the association's members as we head into the many challenges that surely await us in the future."

"I can't think of any other Illinois-focused finance organization that offers what IGFOA does in terms of being responsive and providing value to members. And because of that, the association will continue to grow," he predicts. "IGFOA is a critical resource, especially as members face greater economic and legislative challenges, finance reporting changes, and more. We are the organization best equipped to deal with those challenges."

It's all about answering the question "What do IGFOA members need?"

But Bill and the IGFOA board won't sit still while the association grows because of work done in the past: "We are excited to move ahead with updated objectives that spring

from the Strategic Plan update approved in May. As in years past, everything we do will be with the goal of providing even more for members in the areas of education, ongoing legislative updates, and opportunities for meaningful interaction with others in the field and our Partners," he says. "We move forward always looking to answer the question, 'What do our members need?' — and the response guides everything the Board does."

"The strength of the association is our volunteers"

"IGFOA really thrives on volunteerism," Bill says. "But those who give of their time and talents find they get as much out of it as the association does."

Bill plans to continue encouraging members and Partners to give back to the association. "Every benefit of IGFOA membership can be traced back to work done by volunteers," he says. "Without volunteers, we cannot move forward in our mission. So I ask my fellow members to reflect on the benefits they have received from IGFOA, and if they don't already, consider offering some of their time to give back to their Association. The opportunities are many, and can fit anyone's schedule."

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Bill Hannah is Finance Director/Treasurer for the Village of North Aurora.

At September's Annual Conference, he was elected IGFOA President.

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Spreading the word – and the benefits of excellence

In keeping with IGFOA's mission of promoting excellence in governmental finance, efforts to reach non-members will continue. "Collaborating on training with other organizations such as IAMMA and the Illinois State Comptroller's Office and providing speakers on relevant topics, are powerful ways for our association to promote excellence," Bill explains. "The association has a lot to offer those who are working in government finance outside of cities and villages, and working with their associations is a great way to provide government finance education. At the same time, people may also decide that they'd benefit from joining IGFOA."

To grow the field, outreach to universities and colleges to encourage careers in local government finance will continue as well.

Looking back: Bill knew he needed assistance

"I first joined IGFOA back in 1997 after I completed my administrative and finance internship," Bill recalls. "As a new full-time employee assisting with budgeting, financial reporting, investments, pension administration, risk management and other areas, I knew I needed assistance – and a lot of it – in getting a better understanding of areas where my knowledge and experience with municipal finance laws and processes was lacking. Joining IGFOA and attending seminars, receiving IGFOA announcements over the fax machine (the most modern form of communication in those days), attending institutes, and taking part in networking opportunities helped me immeasurably."

"Knowing how much IGFOA has assisted me over the years, it has been very rewarding to volunteer and give back to IGFOA, and it has been a pleasure to continue giving back by serving on the Executive Board with many dedicated, hard-working individuals on behalf of IGFOA," he continues.

Bill has worked in the field of government finance and administration for almost 25 years. Since 2005, he has been Finance



Congratulations to the 2019-20 IGFOA Executive Board

The elected positions of the 2019-20 IGFOA Executive Board were approved unanimously by the IGFOA public sector members in attendance at the Annual Business Meeting on September 9, 2019.

President: William Hannah Finance Director, Village of North Aurora

Past President: Melissa Gallagher Finance Director, City of Rolling Meadows

Vice President: Kevin Wachtel Finance Director, Village of Villa Park

Treasurer: William McCarty Director of Budget and Management, City of Springfield

Secretary: John Harrington Finance Director, Village of Minooka

Member-at-Large: Tricia Dubiel Superintendent of Business and Finance, Bolingbrook Park District

Member-at-Large: Elizabeth Holleb Finance Director, City of Lake Forest

Member-at-Large, Non-CFO: Jennifer Johnson Administrative Services Supervisor, City of Champaign

GFOA State Representative Rita Kruse Finance Manager, City of Geneva

Partner Representative: Sue Kling Promontory Interfinancial Network

Downstate Chapter Representative: Molly Talkington

South Metro Chapter Representative: Lisa Heglund Finance Director, City of Lockport

Chicago Metro Chapter Representative: Anthony Fashoda Assistant Finance Director, Village of Hoffman Estates

Director/Treasurer for the Village of North Aurora. Previously, he was at the City of Wheaton for four years and the Village of Barrington for seven years in various finance, budget and administrative functions.

Bill graduated from Northern Illinois University in 1996 with a Masters in Public Administration after graduating from Illinois Benedictine College in 1994 with a major

in Business Economics. In 2013 he earned the GFOA-CPFO designation.

Bill served as a team leader on IGFOA's Professional Education Committee for several years, and was chair of the Technical Accounting Review Committee. He also served as a budget reviewer for 14 years on GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award Panel.

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, October 15: [Downstate Rock River Region Luncheon](#) – New Changes to the Minimum Wage Law and other wage-related statutes

Noon –1:00 pm

Tavern on Clark

755 Clark Drive Rockford

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$20

Non-Member: \$25

Wednesday, October 16: [Chicago Metro Chapter Lunch and Learn](#) – Implementation of GASB No. 87, Leases

11:30 am–1:30 pm

Village of Elk Grove Village

901 Wellington Ave., Elk Grove Village

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$20

Non-Member: \$25

Thursday, October 17: [Downstate Central Region Lunch and Learn](#) – Grievance Arbitration for Police Officers

11:30 am–2:00 pm

Jupiter's at the Crossing

6 Taylor St., Champaign

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$25

Non-Member: \$40

Thursday, October 24: [Payroll Seminar](#) *Limited number of seats still available*

8:30 am–4:00 pm

NIU Naperville

1120 East Diehl Road, Naperville

Member: \$85 before Oct. 16

Member: \$95 Oct. 16–23

Gov./Partner Colleague: \$85 before Oct. 16

Gov./Partner Colleague: \$95 after Oct. 16

Wednesday, October 30: [Downstate Southern Region – GATA Workshop](#)

9:00 am–Noon OR 1:00–4:00 pm

DoubleTree by Hilton

222 Potomac Blvd, Mt. Vernon

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$15

Non-Member: \$20

Wednesday, November 13: [IGFOA-IAMMA Joint Leadership Workshop](#): Reimagining Leadership

9:00–11:30 am

Reserve 22 at Village Links of Glen Ellyn

485 Winchell Way, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Member: \$35

Non-Member: \$40

IAMMA is hosting registration at this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/igfoa-half-day-am-training-reimagining-leadership-tickets-74027605561>

Presenter Patrick Ibarra will focus on the roots and anchors of creating a healthy workplace culture, proven approaches to attracting and developing “rock stars,” differences between goalkeepers and gatekeepers, the benefits of a self-awareness x-ray, and how best to close the imagination gap and to succeed by choice, not by chance. [Event flyer](#)

Thursday, November 14: Illinois Public Pension Institute II

Registration opens soon at igfoa.org

Full Day: 8:25 am–4:45 pm

Morning: 8:25 am–12:10 pm

Afternoon: 1:00–4:45 pm

NIU Naperville

1120 East Diehl Road, Naperville

Member Half Day: \$70 before Nov. 11

Member Full Day: \$140 before Nov. 11

Gov./Partner Colleague Half Day: \$75 before Nov. 11

Gov./Partner Colleague Full Day: \$150 before Nov. 11

Non-Member Half Day: \$85 before Nov. 11

Non-Member Full Day: \$170 before Nov. 11

IDOI requires 16 hours of continuing education for Downstate Fire and Police Pension trustees, eight of which must be in ethics training. The full-day session fulfills that requirement. In addition, CPAs may wish to register for either the morning or afternoon sessions to meet their ethics reporting requirements.

WEBINAR: [GASB Statement No. 84 Fiduciary Activities](#)

Tuesday, November 19

Noon –1:00 pm

Member: \$30

Gov./Partner Colleague: \$35

Non-Member: \$40

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board released a pronouncement on Fiduciary Activities that changes the definitions of fiduciary funds, which fiduciary activities to include in the primary government's financial statements and what is reported for certain fiduciary funds. The IGFOA Technical Accounting Review Committee (TARC), in conjunction with the Illinois CPA Society, has prepared a draft of a white paper to assist Illinois governments in implementing this pronouncement.

During Fall 2019, GASB will deliberate on topics that may impact the implemen-

tation of this pronouncement and the TARC White Paper. This session will update participants with the latest implementation guidance from IGFOA, ILCPAS, and GASB. A sample implementation from an Illinois government will be reviewed.

Speakers:

Christina Coyle, CPA, Finance Director, Village of Glen Ellyn, IGFOA – TARC Chair
Frederick G. Lantz, CPA, Partner-in-Charge, Government Services, Sikich LLP

Register at

<https://www.igfoa.org/events/event/632/1/gasb-statement-no-84-fiduciary-activities-lunch-crunch-webinar>

Holiday luncheons

Thursday, December 5

[Downstate – Central Region Chapter](#)

11:00 am–2:00 pm

Jim's Steakhouse, Peoria

Member: \$25

Gov./Partner Colleague: \$40

Friday, December 6

[Chicago Metro Chapter](#)

11:30 am–3:00 pm

Harry Caray's Steakhouse, Lombard

Member: \$30

Gov./Partner Colleague: \$40

Thursday, December 12

[Downstate – Quad Cities Chapter](#)

[Legislative Update](#)

11:30 am–1:30 pm

Bass Street Chop House, Moline

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$25

Non-Member: \$30

Friday, December 13

[South Metro Chapter](#)

11:30 am–2:00 pm

Balagio Ristorante, Homewood

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$15

Tuesday, December 17

[Downstate – Rock River Region](#)

[Overview of Pension Obligation Bonds](#)

Noon–1:00 pm

Tavern on Clark, Rockford

Member/Gov./Partner Colleague: \$20

Non-Member: \$25

It's not too early to save the dates for Holiday luncheons!

TO GET THE MEMBER RATE, REMEMBER TO SIGN IN WITH YOUR USER NAME AND PASSWORD

Call for speakers: Government Finance Professionals Institute

On April 28, 2020, the IGFOA will offer the Government Finance Professionals Institute, a one-day seminar at NIU Naperville.

This institute will be geared toward IGFOA's more advanced professional members and will include innovative sessions on leadership, emotional intelligence, and building trust.

One of the sessions will be a panel discussion on GFOA Best Practices that have been implemented and used successfully within members' organizations. IGFOA is seeking five speakers willing to share their experiences. Each speaker will have approximately 10 minutes to share their examples.

Those with a GFOA Best Practice example to share should contact the Academy Team Leader, Kathy Thomas, at Kathy.Thomas@icemiller.com with their idea.



Chapter volunteer opportunities

The **Downstate Chapter** is soliciting topics and/or speakers for the Downstate Conference program. The Downstate Conference will be held in Champaign on February 27-28, 2020 at the Hilton Garden Inn Champaign/Urbana. While submissions are appreciated, there is no guarantee that they will be selected for the program. Please send program suggestions to Elizabeth Beaty at esbeaty@urbanailinois.us

The **Chicago Metro, South Metro, and Downstate Chapters** are looking for enthusiastic Chapter members in good standing to join the Chapter Boards in the positions noted below.

- **Chicago Metro:** Member-at-Large (Chapter public sector members only)
- **South Metro:** Member-at-Large (Chapter public sector members only) and Legislative (Chapter public or private sector members)
- **Downstate:** Secretary and Treasurer (Chapter public sector members only)

Interested IGFOA members should email the specific Chapter President below, indicating their interest in the position with a brief explanation as to why they are interested in serving.

Chicago Metro President, Anthony Fashoda:
Anthony.Fashoda@hoffmanestates.org

South Metro President, Mike Wolf:
WolfM@villageofbourbonnais.com

Downstate President, Molly Talkington:
mbreet16@yahoo.com

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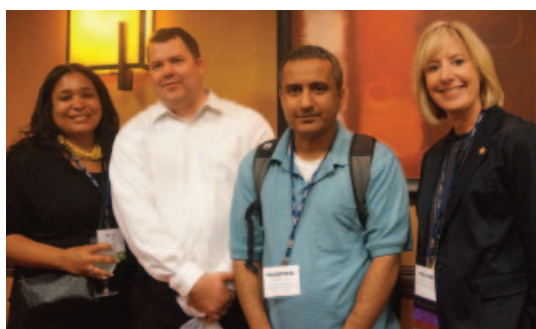
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Bernardi Securities, Inc.	Lauterbach & Amen, LLP
BKD LLP	Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd
BS&A Software	Moody's Investors Service
Call One, Inc.	Piper Jaffray & Co.
Capital Gains Inc.	Plante Moran
CBIZ Valuation Group, LLC	Promontory Interfinancial Network, LLC
Civic Systems, LLC	Raymond James
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CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	S&P Global Ratings
Crowe Horwath LLP	Selden Fox, Ltd.
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First Midwest Bank	Speer Financial, Inc.
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GovHR USA	The Horton Group
Graystone Consulting	Third Millennium Associates, Inc.
GW & Associates, PC	Tyler Technologies, Inc.
Huntington National Bank	Waterworth
Ice Miller LLP	Wells Fargo Bank, NA
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Thank you to everyone who attended the 2019 IGFOA Annual Conference September 8-10. Once again, IGFOA experienced record registration at over 400. The conference was held at the Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel and Conference Center. Space was tight due to the outstanding attendance and the expanding Vendor Showcase but attendees made the best of the close quarters by connecting with friends and meeting new colleagues!

Conference highlights include:

- ▶ The Conference Planning Team for all their hard work in planning the highest-rated conference in 6 years;
- ▶ All the volunteers who arrived on Saturday to help with attendee packets and organizing the registration desk;
- ▶ Marion Gee – GFOA President-Elect with a GFOA Update;
- ▶ Speakers, moderators, and Round-table facilitators who spent so much time preparing for program sessions;
- ▶ Registration desk volunteers and CPE monitors;
- ▶ Patrice Sutton for proctoring the two CPFO exam offerings;
- ▶ The Sunday keynote speaker – Tom Rooney and Monday keynote speaker – Jason Kuhn;
- ▶ The Sunday informal networking lunch;
- ▶ The Planning and Responding for an Active Shooter/Violent Incident session by the Will County Sheriff's Office;
- ▶ The Activity Stream on the conference app;
- ▶ The IGFOA Hospitality Dinner on Sunday evening;
- ▶ The Monday night social event at the Desthil Brewery;
- ▶ The bingo game and raffle prizes in the Vendor Showcase;
- ▶ Partners' Forum members and Roving Bingo Ticketers (Nick Bava, Susannah Baney Filipovic, Jennifer Johnson, and Emma Montagu) redeeming bingos for all those raffle tickets;
- ▶ The President's New Member and First Time Attendee Reception; and
- ▶ The Legislative Update with IML Executive Director, Brad Cole.

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Reimagining Leadership

Presented by Patrick Ibarra

IAMMA / IGFOA Seminar

Wednesday, November 13th 9 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Village Links of Glen Ellyn, 485 Winchell Way, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Registration link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/74027605561>

Join IAMMA and IGFOA for a joint session on Reimagining Leadership. This training seminar focuses on the roots and anchors of creating a healthy workplace culture, proven approaches to attracting and developing “rock stars,” differences between goalkeepers and gatekeepers, the benefits of a self-awareness x-ray, and how best to close the imagination gap and to succeed by choice, not by chance.

Patrick Ibarra spent 15 years in city management and in 2002 he started his own organizational effectiveness consulting practice.

Member: \$35
Non-Member: \$40

Registration offered by IAMMA at [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/74027605561)