

Government Finance Officers Association of Alabama

28th Annual Conference

February 29th, 2012 – March 2nd, 2012

Huntsville, Alabama



On behalf of our Annual Conference Committee I happily invite you to our City. We will be meeting at the new downtown Embassy Suites hotel. The Embassy offers wonderful amenities and is located adjacent to Huntsville's unique Big Spring Park. We are working to ensure you enjoy an informative and entertaining program.

Larry Conwill, Chairman

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Conference Schedule

Wednesday, February 29th

9:00 – 4:00	Registration
1:00 – 2:15	Audit Efficiency Jeremy Jefferys, CPA - Audit Partner with Beason Nalley Inc.
2:15 – 2:30	Program Break
2:30 – 3:30	Disaster Recovery/Use and control of identified resources Donna Sanford – Director, Advisory Services KPMG LLP
3:30 – 4:30	Fraud: How it happens and how you can protect your organization Kevin Robinson, CIA, CFE, CCEP – Executive Director of Internal Auditing – Auburn University
6:00 – 8:00	Reception: Embassy Atrium

Thursday, March 1st

7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast
8:30 -9:00	Mayor’s Welcome Address Honorable Tommy Battle, Mayor of the City of Huntsville
9:00 – 10:15	Capital market conditions, options and trends Phil Dotts – President of Public FA Inc.
10:15 – 10:30	Program Break
10:30 – 11:30	National Economic Outlook, and Projection Robert E. Nobles, CFA,CIMA,CPA – VP & Regional Investment Manager with Synovus Trust
11:30 – 1:00	Lunch and Business Meeting
1:00 – 2:00	Retirement Systems of Alabama, Changes, Financial Health, Related Current Events Marc Reynolds Deputy CEO – Retirement Systems of Alabama

Thursday, March 1st (continued)

2:00 – 3:00	Diet & Weight Loss – Facts and Fiction Anna Key RD LD – Huntsville Hospital
3:00 – 3:15	Program Break
3:15 – 4:45	Health Care - Organizational Cost Control Options Mark Miranda – VP Employee Benefits with Cobbs, Allen & Hall Inc.
6:00 – 9:00	Dinner & Entertainment Casual dining and entertainment at the Monte Sano Lodge on the Mountain

Friday, March 2nd

7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00	GASB update Dr. G. Robert Smith – Middle Tennessee State University
10:00 – 10:15	Program Break
10:15 – 11:30	Political Commentary Dr. Jess Brown – Athens State University
11:30 -12:00	Closing & Door Prizes

Conference Registration Form

Name _____

E-Mail _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Position _____

Phone _____

Will you be attending our Thursday night dinner & entertainment? ___Yes___ No

Early Bird Registration before 1/28/12 - \$250 After 1/28/12 - \$275

Guest Fee for Reception, Dinner, and Entertainment - \$30

If you attend the conference, you will receive a \$25 credit on your 2012 membership dues.

Alabama State Board of Accountancy has approved 16 hours of continuing education credit.

Enclosed:

Registration Fee \$ _____

Guest Fee \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to **GFOAA CONFERENCE**

Mail Registration to:

Larry Conwill

GFOAA Annual Conference

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Hotel Accommodations

Embassy Suites Hotel



For reservations you can access our group web site at http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/H/HSVESES-GFO-20120227/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Contact the central reservation line at 1-800-362-2779 or contact the hotel directly at 256-539-7373. Our group code is GFO. Refer to the GFOAA conference rate of \$119 plus local taxes. The cut-off date for the conference rate is 1/30/2012.

Directions to Hotel and Conference:

From North or South on I-65 take exit 340, I-565 toward Huntsville. After approximately 20 miles, exit 19-C Downtown, Washington St., Jefferson

St. At the bottom of the exit ramp, turn right onto Jefferson St. At first stop light, turn right onto Monroe St. Follow Monroe St. past the Convention Center and you will see the hotel on your right. Continue to the right on Monroe St. Turn right into the hotel.

Thursday Evening Dinner and Entertainment

Please plan to join us for an evening of casual dining and entertainment high atop Monte Sano Mountain at the uniquely appointed Monte Sano Lodge. We will have transportation available and your dining and entertainment are all inclusive.

