

**GFOAA 29th ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center**  
**February 27 - March 1, 2013**

***Developing Successful Financial Strategies***

<b>Wednesday, February 27th</b>	<b>All Sessions will be held in Alabama A</b>
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	GFOAA Board Meeting, Riverview 4
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Registration – Foyer, Alabama A & B
	Opening Remarks, Dr. Judith A. Kamnikar
1:00 - 2:15 p.m.	AL Retirement Systems: An Investment Update – Dr. David G. Bronner, Chief Executive Officer, The Retirement Systems of AL
2:15 - 2:30 p.m.	Break, Foyer-Alabama A & B
2:30 - 3:45 p.m.	The Emerging Municipal Loan Market - Steve Siple, Sr. Vice President, Government & Institutional, BBVA Compass
3:45 - 5:00 p.m.	GASB 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – Diane Steinhilber, CPA, Jackson Thornton
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Reception, sponsored by BBVA Compass, The Young House, 231 North Hull Street <b><i>(Trolley Service will be provided)</i></b>
<b>Thursday, February 28th</b>	<b>All Sessions will be held in Alabama A</b>
7:15 - 8:15 a.m.	Breakfast – Alabama B
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Registration – Foyer, Alabama A & B
	Opening Remarks, Charles Clack
8:15 - 8:45 a.m.	Mayor's Welcome Address – Mayor Todd Strange, City of Montgomery
8:45 - 10:15 a.m.	Economy of the State & State of the Economy – Dr. Keivan Deravi, Special Assistant to the Chancellor/Economic Affairs, Auburn University Montgomery
10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	Break, Foyer-Alabama A & B
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Bankruptcy Update - The Honorable Dwight H. Williams, Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Alabama Middle District
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch and Business Meeting – Alabama B

## Thursday, February 28th

- 1:00 - 2:15 p.m. Ready, Willing and Able: Keys to Effective Performance – Dr. William Sauser
- 2:15 - 2:30 p.m. Break, Foyer-Alabama A & B
- 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Revenue and Appropriation Powers of Local Governments -  
♦ Tracy L. Roberts, Deputy General Counsel, AL League of Municipalities  
♦ Sonny Brasfield, Executive Director, Association of County Commissions of AL
- 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. Funding School Districts - David Smith, Executive Director, AL Association of School Business Officials
- 4:45 - 6:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception, compliments of Jackson Thornton, Office of Jackson Thornton, 200 Commerce St.
- 6:15 - 8:30 p.m. Dinner, Alley Station, 130 Commerce St., 2nd Floor**

## Friday, March 1st

### All Sessions will be held in Alabama A

- 7:00 - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast – Alabama B
- 8:00 - 10:30 a.m. Registration – Foyer, Alabama A & B
- Opening Remarks, Dr. Judith A. Kamnikar
- 8:00 - 9:15 a.m. GASB Update - Christine Harden, CPA, Director of Research and Professional Development, Department of Examiners of Public Accounts, State of AL
- 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Reporting the Accountability of Government - Media Panel: Karen Brown, AL Public Television; Don Dailey, AL Public Television; Sebastian Kitchen, Montgomery Advertiser and Max Reiss, WSFA
- 10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break, Foyer-Alabama A & B
- 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Preparedness: The Cost of Recent Disasters and Lessons Learned – Art Faulkner, Director, Emergency Management Agency, State of AL
- 11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Closing & Door Prizes (**Must be present to win**)

The Alabama State Board of Public Accountancy has approved the conference for 16 hours of continuing education credits, including 3 hours of accounting and auditing.

**Name badges will be required for entrance to all meals and social functions.**

**Conference Attire is Business Casual.**

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