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President's Message

Jesse Takahashi



Say Goodbye to Summer, Welcome Fall!

I hope all of you had a great summer and a chance to do something fun with your families. My wife and I were fortunate to spend a week in Cancun, Mexico to celebrate our anniversary (without kids!). It is a beautiful place to relax and there are many wonderful sights and attractions for everyone. I couldn't resist taking a selfie with the beautiful Caribbean as a backdrop.

I discovered it is also a very popular location for sea turtles. The government makes it a priority to protect the turtles which nest right on the beaches between June and October. It was quite a sight to see the large turtles come out of the water at night, dig in the sand with their huge flippers and lay 60-100 eggs, and then return to the sea never to see their young again.

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Executive Director's Message

Melissa Dixon, CAE

As President Takahashi's message suggests, we're heading into a busy time of year for CSMFO. Let me share with you everything that's coming up in the next few months.



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Doing "Favors" How Much is it Costing You?

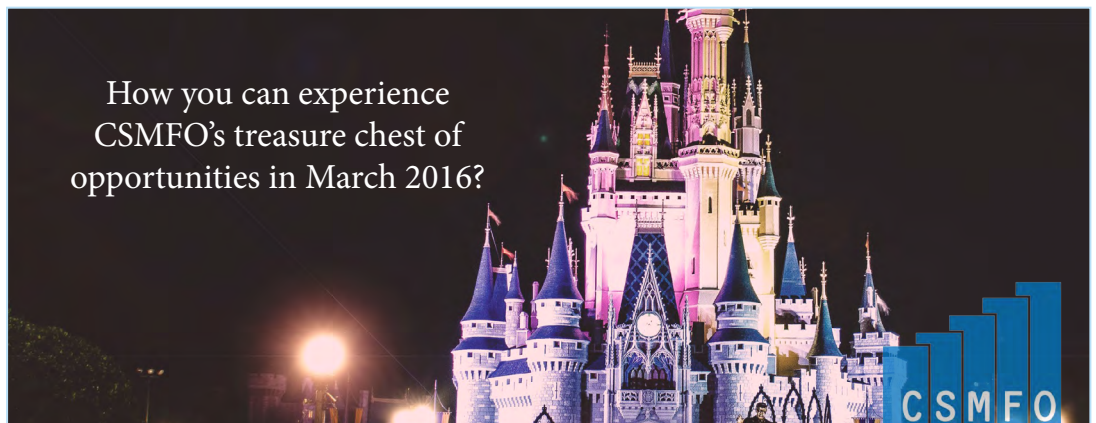
by Sharon Rahban CPA, Rahban CPA & Consulting, Inc.
"I'm doing them a favor..."

Have you heard this before? This is a statement heard many times by managers when their staff voluntarily takes on the workload of colleagues in other divisions. And by the phrase "voluntarily", I mean, that this staff person is not getting anything of value back from the person or division in which they are helping.

This may be frustrating for a manager to hear.

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How you can experience
CSMFO's treasure chest of
opportunities in March 2016?



Welcome New Members!

Check out the 21 new members that joined CSMFO last month.

Education Opportunities

Intermediate Governmental

Accounting, Vallejo

– 11 September, 8:30am - 5:30pm

– Instructed by Susan Mayer

Power of Fiscal Policies / Long Term Financial Planning, Fresno

– 24 September, 8:30am - 4:30pm

– Presented by Bill Statler

Chapter Meetings

Sacramento Valley Chapter Meeting

– 10 September 10:00am - 1:30pm

– Speaker: John Farnkopf, P.E., Senior Vice President at HF&H Consulting and Robb Grantham, Vice President at Carollo Engineering

Central Coast Chapter Meeting

– 10 September 12:00pm - 1:30pm

– Speaker: Jasmine Nachtigall, President and CEO of GovInvest

San Gabriel Valley Chapter Meeting

– 16 September 11:30am - 1:30pm

– Speakers: Ted Price, GOVINVEST
Jasmine Nachtigall, GOVINVEST

Central Valley Chapter Meeting

– 17 September 11:30am - 2:00pm

– Speakers: Tim Seufert, Managing Director, NBS

Inland Empire Chapter, ASPA and CMTA Division 8

– 17 September 11:30am - 1:30pm

– Speakers: Betty T. Yee, California State Controller

Volunteer Opportunities

The California Society of Municipal Financers Officers (CSMFO) is a community of individuals who dedicate their lives to civil service and promote excellence in financial management through innovation, continuing education and professional development. Those who volunteer to support the CSMFO mission—on a committee, at the chapter level or as a member of the Board—will tell you the value they receive from their active involvement with CSMFO is immeasurable.

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Career Center

Accountant III, East Bay Municipal Utility District

Salary Range: \$85,632 - \$104,888/year

Application Deadline: Sep. 8, 2015

Accountant, Claremont

Salary Range: \$4,919 - \$5,943/month

Application Deadline: September 24, 2015

Accounting Manager, Santa Fe Springs

Salary Range: \$6,457 - \$8,000/month

Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Principal Accountant, Bay Area Air Quality Management District

Salary Range: \$86,621 - \$105,289/year

Application Deadline: September 25, 2015

Senior Accountant, Mojave Water Agency

Salary Range: \$56,760 - \$82,320/year

Application Deadline: September 23, 2015

Deputy General Manager, East Bay Regional Park District

Salary Range: \$194,856 - \$248,784/year

Application Deadline: September 28, 2015

Accountant/Senior Accountant, City of Albany

Salary Range: \$68,460 - \$96,120/year

Application Deadline: September 30, 2015

Accounting Manager, City of Signal Hill

Salary Range: \$7,456 - \$9,517/month

Application Deadline: September 18, 2015

Finance Director/Treasurer, Town of Yountville

Salary Range: \$108,696 - \$138,888/year

Application Deadline: September 28, 2015

Senior Accountant, City of Pleasanton

Salary Range: \$7,179 - \$8,726/month

Application Deadline: September 18, 2015

Account Clerk, City of Eagle Point

Salary Range: \$2,860 - \$3,748/month or DOQ

Application Deadline: September 14, 2015

Controller, Tri-City Mental Health Authority

Salary Range: \$86,128 - \$137,948/year

Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Accounting Technician, Vista

Salary Range: \$3,891 - \$4,731/month

Application Deadline: September 18, 2015

Accountant, Coronado

Salary Range: \$5,542 - \$7,074/month

Application Deadline: September 11, 2015

Accounting Manager, Signal Hill

Salary Range: \$89,482 to \$114,213/year

Application Deadline: September 18, 2015

Coaching Corner

"Engaging Employees Effectively" - Webinar

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Pacific Time, Wednesday, September 16, 2015 Co-sponsored with the Cal-ICMA and CSMFO Coaching Programs

[Advance registration required for this no-charge webinar](#)

Webinar topics:

1. What are the causes of disengagement?
2. How have agencies succeeded in boosting engagement?

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"Navigating Ethical Issues in Finance" - Webinar

2:00 - 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2015, CSMFO Coaching Program

[Advance registration required for this no-charge webinar](#)

Webinar topics:

- * What's the critical role finance professionals play in establishing and maintaining ethical standards?
- * What are some important ethical issues and how do you navigate them?
- * What resources and support are available to help you do the right thing?

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Accountant / Auditor I/II, City of Fairfield

Salary Range: \$65,648 - \$88,081/year

Application Deadline: September 28, 2015

Budget Manager, City of Fairfield

Salary Range: \$97,458 to \$118,462/year

Application Deadline: September 28, 2015

Finance Manager, Ralph Andersen & Associates

Salary Range: \$108,672 - \$131,271/year

Application Deadline: September 30, 2015

Principal Management Analyst, East Bay Municipal Utility District

Salary Range: \$99,972 - \$144,396/year

Application Deadline: September 4, 2015

[AND MORE!](#)