



## Presenter Bios WAMCAT Fall 2025

**Chris Astrella** was a Clerk/Treasurer for 17 years and an Administrator/Deputy Administrator for 10 years in Wisconsin. He received an undergraduate degree in Political Science and a Master of Public Administration from the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh. Chris served on the Board of Directors for the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association for six years and was its 37th President from 2016 to 2017. Currently, he teaches Public Administration for his Alma Mater, and he is an International Speaker at Rochester University (MI). Just for fun, he takes minutes on the side.

**Tiffany Brando** has been the city clerk of Powell, WY for the last 10 Years. She is currently the vice president and education chair of WAMCAT. She has a Master of Business Administration from the University of Wyoming; she became a Master Municipal Clerk through the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in May of 2021. She also earned a certified HR profession, SHRM\_CP in December 2020 through the Society of Human Resource Management.

**Caleb Campbell** is a West Point graduate and NFL athlete once known as "America's Athlete." After burnout and broken mental health forced him to confront the inner discomfort he had long avoided in his pursuit of success, Caleb found a transformative path to renewal. Through his transformative framework, The Inner Advantage, Caleb's message offers a new way forward where pressure becomes fuel for something greater, and growth doesn't come at the cost of well-being.

**Jen Cavanaugh** is the Mayor Emeritus of Piedmont, California, and partner with The CIVIC COURAGE LAB. She is a certified transformative leadership coach and team facilitator with an MBA from the University of Chicago. Drawing from her rich background in consulting and local governance, Jen guides executives and their teams through uncertainty with Applied Improvisational techniques that spark creativity and resilience. Since joining City Council in 2016, she has championed innovative policy solutions in transportation, clean energy, and sustainability. A captivating speaker who ignites audiences with talks on "Breaking the Glass Ceiling in Public Service," "The Art of Transformational Retreats," and "Building Courageous Civic Teams," Jen delivers practical frameworks that empower government leaders to navigate complexity with confidence and vision.

**Joan Evans** has served in the Cheyenne, Wyoming office since February 2020. The firm is engaged as the distribution agent for the Wyoming Government Investment Fund, and Joan works with eligible Wyoming political entities to promote participation in the Wyoming Government Investment Fund. In addition, Joan is responsible for assisting clients with developing and implementing investment strategies, reviewing performance, updating policies, and marketing the firm's products to prospects in Wyoming and Colorado.



**Daniel Galbreath** is a community organizer and educator currently based in Casper, Wyoming. He coaches Wyoming community members in effecting positive change as an employee of Better Wyoming. He has also worked for statewide nonprofits including the Wyoming Community Foundation. Before engaging in advocacy full-time, he was a musician and academic, and has held fellowships with the Higher Education Academy (UK) and UW Honors College. His PhD research (Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, UK) dealt with the complex interactions of members in a community; he does not regard his musical and community organizing work as being distinct.

**Ashley Harpstreith** joined WAM in September of 2024 after serving as the Executive Director of the Wyoming Taxpayers Association (WTA). Prior to joining WTA, she was the CEO of Goshen County Economic Development Corporation (GCEDC). Ashley holds her B.S in Communications with an emphasis in Public Relations from the University of Wyoming. She is also a recent 2024 graduate of Leadership Wyoming.

**Angie Johnson** is the Clerk-Treasurer for the Town of Meeteetse and has been an employee for the Town of Meeteetse since 2000. Her role with the Town of Meeteetse has provided many other opportunities for leadership, which includes operating the Meeteetse Swimming Pool, serving as a Community First Aid and CPR Instructor, and working as the Meeteetse Fire District Secretary. Johnson has been a board member and volunteer for many civic organizations. Her educational experiences include International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC), designations of CMC-2008, MMC-2017, Association of Public Treasurers CPFA-2019, CPFIM-2021, Leadership WY Class 2013. She has a bachelor's degree in Biology.

**Charri Lara** MAcc, ACPFA, ACPFIM, has served as the City Treasurer for Lander, Wyoming for over 18 years, bringing more than two decades of experience in public accounting to the role. A proud Wyoming native and graduate of Lander Valley High School, Charri holds both bachelor's and master's degrees in Accounting. Charri's professional contributions extend beyond her municipal duties. She currently serves on the board of the National Association of Public Treasurers, is a board member of the LIFT Committee and Lander Housing Authority, and holds an executive board position with the Wyoming Association of Municipalities, in addition to serving on numerous other committees.

**Skippy Mesirow** is former Aspen City Council member and certified trauma-informed coach, Skippy has trained over 1,000 leaders across the country in emotional resilience, strategic alignment, and systems change. He hosts *Healing Our Politics*, a top-ranked podcast reshaping public leadership, and serves on Colorado's Natural Medicine Advisory Board. Named a "Political Wellbeing Trailblazer" by the Apolitical Foundation, Skippy leads transformational retreats and speaks nationally on mental health, governance, and civic renewal.





**Kelley Millar** has worked at the Town of Upton since January 2015 first as the Deputy Clerk, and as the Clerk-Treasurer since July 2017 where she serves approximately 1,100 citizens. She earned a CPFIM certification in August 2020 from Association of Public Treasurers (APT) and a CMC designation in November 2020 from International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC). She is currently a member of the WAMCAT Board, WAM-JPIC Board and the WARM Property Insurance Board. Kelley also actively participates in the NEWY (Region II of WAM), the Upton Chamber of Commerce and the Upton Ladies of Adventure encouraging community involvement on all fronts.

**Micah Richardson** serves as Vice Mayor on Laramie City Council. She's also the Associate Director of Policy at the Wyoming Women's Foundation where she advocates for policies and programs that support Wyoming families and communities. Micah earned her degree in K-12 Art Education from Chadron State College in Nebraska before becoming a teacher and later an artist. She transitioned into the nonprofit sector, serving as Director of Communications and then Director of Programs at the Wyoming Community Foundation.

**Laurie Sheldon** was elected City of Kentwood Treasurer in 2013, serving a diverse community of 51,000 residents representing over 60 nationalities and 63 languages. Prior to her election, she served as a City Commissioner for two years and a Planning Commissioner for seven years. Laurie began her municipal experience at the request of her mentor, former Mayor Root, who encouraged her to join the Planning Commission. She found a passion for public service and an aspiration to expand her experience in the municipal world.

**Marqui Siscoe** is the Assistant Director of Human Resources at Casper College. She is an experienced Human Resources professional with a strong background in benefits administration, employee relations, records management, and a particular focus on recruitment and process improvement. Passionate about bringing the "human" back to Human Resources by fostering meaningful connections with employees and stakeholders. In addition to a successful HR career, her other hats are wildland firefighter, bus driver, tour guide, lifeguard, and piano teacher.

**Matt Waldock** attended Casper College and the University of Wyoming and has a degree in Criminal Justice. SA Waldock began his LE career at the Casper Police Department in 1994, where he worked for 9 years in fields from patrol officer, accident reconstruction, task force officer and detective. In 2003, SA Waldock began working for the Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation in Gillette. In 2010, SA Waldock was promoted to Team Leader of the Central Enforcement Team in Casper, Wyoming, where he held this position until 2015. In 2015, SA Waldock was promoted to Commander. As Commander, SA Waldock supervises the Northeast Enforcement Team (Sheridan/Gillette), Central Enforcement Team (Casper, Rawlins), Northwest Enforcement Team (Riverton/Powell), Southwest Enforcement team (Rock Springs, Evanston, Afton) and the Southeast Enforcement team (Cheyenne, Laramie).





**Jason Williams** is responsible for portfolio management, operations oversight, sales, and client relations at Moreton Asset Management. Jason earned a BA in Political Science and Economics from Brigham Young University, and he earned an MBA in finance from the University of New Hampshire. Prior to joining Moreton Asset Management, where he has served as president for 11 years, Jason was a senior portfolio manager with Contango Capital Advisors Fixed-Income Team, portfolio manager at Zions Bank Liquid Asset Management, and a senior financial representative with Fidelity Investments. Jason has 21 years of capital markets experience with trading, sales, and fixed income markets.

**William “Billy” Yaracz** currently serves as the Customer Operations Supervisor for the City of Laramie, where he has worked for over six years. He began his career in Municipal Court and, through hands-on experience, developed a strong passion for customer service and software management. In his current role, he oversees Municipal Court, Utility Billing, and cash receipting operations for the city. His leadership spans multiple departments, allowing him to drive efficiency and improve both internal workflows and public service. He holds a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Wyoming.

