

# NEWSLETTER

## MESSAGE FROM OUR PAST PRESIDENT...

To all the Chapter Members,

It is hard for me to believe how quickly these two years have come and gone. At this time of year, I think of how thankful I feel. I am thankful for so many things, many relating to the Chapter. The Chapter membership grew to 196 members, the Chapter planned and hosted a successful Forum, many of the members were able to participate in our Chapter seminars, the Web site underwent redesign, and the Chapter will begin using P-Cards to receive payments. These are just a few of the things that occurred during 2005 and 2006. I appreciate all that you did towards helping with the Chapter accomplishments.

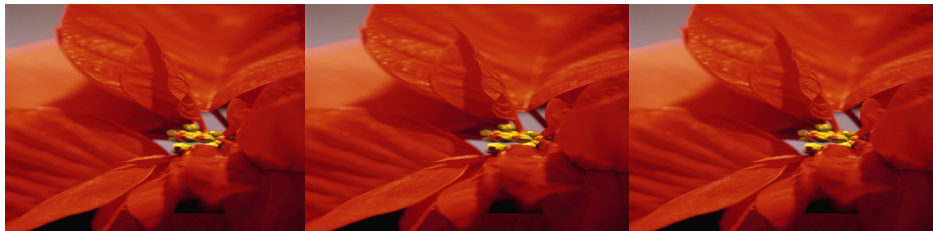
Through the years, I have enjoyed meeting and working with many you on our various Chapter events. I wish to thank you for all your efforts, friendship, and commitment. Additionally, I would like to thank the 2006 Executive Board for which these accomplishments would not have been possible without their countless hours of hard work and commitment. I would also like to thank the City of Tampa, Purchasing Department staff for their efforts. Whenever anything needed to be done, you were always there to pitch in and help out.

Finally, I would like to encourage you to get involved in the Chapter activities and volunteer. There are numerous opportunities for you to help. What you will achieve from your efforts will well exceed your troubles and includes newly gained knowledge, friendship, and a good feeling of accomplishment.

I wish you and your family happy holidays and look forward to seeing you at next year's Chapter events.

Sincerely,

*Kendal E. Capaz*  
Past President



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## FROM THE DESK OF YOUR NEW PRESIDENT.....



Greetings and Welcome to 2007, a less hectic year for the Chapter.

The first thing I would like to do as your new President is thank the last one. Kendal Capaz has done an outstanding job as President of this Chapter for the last two years. She was great as the liaison between the Chapter and the Forum Committee, making sure everything worked as smoothly as possible. Our Chapter has a lot to be proud of because of Kendal. Thank you so much for leading us so graciously for the last two years.

Next, I would like to thank George McKibben for swearing in the new slate of Officer's at our Christmas luncheon held at the Rusty Pelican. As always, he did an absolutely fantastic job.

I personally would like to thank him for getting me involved with the chapter, until he cajoled me into joining the board four years ago, I was one of those that came to the luncheons, enjoyed the speakers and went back to work. But because of George, I not only joined the board, but started volunteering where ever I could. And I've enjoyed all of it, so far.

Speaking of our Christmas luncheon, if you weren't there you missed a lot of fun and good food. I think most people liked the new venue and with a few small problems worked out; this is going to be a great place for our luncheons. Thanks to everyone who brought in a gift card or donated money for this year's recipient, Help a Child, Inc. This has become a nice annual event. We collected \$605.00 this year. Thanks, everyone.

The Forum is over and we're back to normal. But that doesn't mean we don't need your help this year. We still have a Golf Tournament, Reverse Trade Show and our regular Trade Show, to mention the major events, where we still need volunteers. Try it, you really will like it. I've volunteered the last 3 years now for the Golf Tournament and have had a great time each year. Still the only thing I've learned about golf is it's really hard to get that ball into the hole and the beer cart comes by every 15 minutes (wish I liked beer, it's not as easy finding coffee). Each event takes a lot of people to make them the great events they always are; be one of those people this year. If you aren't sure what's out there, ask any of our board members and we'll gladly head you in the right direction. Jay Jackus is the Chairperson for the Golf Tournament; Linda El-Shamy is Chairperson for the Reverse Trade Show. The annual October Trade Show is in need of a Chairperson, so if you're interested, let us know. It's never too early.

Also each committee chair has been asked to find a co-chair to help with the work. It would be great if the chairs could go outside their own entities and ask someone from another agency to be their co-chair. This will help involve all our member agencies in the workings of the chapter. This also keeps the transitions flowing evenly when the time comes to change chairs.

Bottom line here is.....volunteer.....we need you.

We have some new names and new positions on our board this year. Welcome Mina Kaeding as Chairperson of Publications (if you have any news or want to publish an article for CPPO, CPPB credit, contact Mina), Donna Beaupre' is our new Secretary and we welcome her to the Board. MaryKay Crabtree has moved to Chairperson of the Membership Committee and Arlene Zimney has taken on Professional Development.

Rounding out the remaining officers.....Linda Balcombe is your new Vice President, Laurie Roberts the new Treasurer. Tammy Winton-Spearman is our Program Chair again this year and continues to do a great job.

Pat Wagner  
President

## HO HO HO .....HERE'S YOUR NEW BOARD



Your new NIGP Board and committee chairs have been hard at work, planning a great 2007 for the Chapter. We are all looking forward to another busy year, concentrating on Chapter activities without the added pressure of the 2006 Forum.

As we move into the new year, please consider joining one of the committee chairs by volunteering some time as a co-chair. We all got to know many new people during the volunteer hours at the Forum, networking as we shared tasks and kept the Forum engine running smoothly. Committee work at the Chapter level can provide you with the same small-group camaraderie and networking, while also giving you a great opportunity to earn some scholarship points (look for a revised scholarship form coming soon – it is being broadened to include additional educational experiences besides the National Forum). Each committee chair has different needs for assistance -- please contact one of the members below for more information:

**Professional Development:** Arlene Zimney, CPPB, C.P.M., (813) 794-2504, [azimney@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:azimney@pasco.k12.fl.us)

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The 2007 Board welcomes your input and is looking forward to working with you!

## 2006 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Finally, the 2006 Scholarship Application form is finished and available for downloading from the Chapter's website. Points must have been earned during the 2006 calendar year and will be utilized for events/seminars to be held during 2007. Please note that other options have been added in addition to the NIGP National Forum.

Applications should be submitted to Pat Wagner, Fax (813) 855-8962 or e-mail to [pwagner@ci.oldsmar.fl.us](mailto:pwagner@ci.oldsmar.fl.us). **All applications must be received no later than 4 P.M., February 1, 2007 to be considered.** For substantiation of points earned for vendor sales and/or in-kind sponsorships during the 2006 Reverse Trade Show, please contact MaryKay Crabtree at (813) 301-7084 or e-mail [Crabtreem@hillsboroughcounty.org](mailto:Crabtreem@hillsboroughcounty.org). For substantiation of points earned for hole sponsors and/or foursome sales during the golf tournament, please contact Jay Jackus at (727) 942-5615 or e-mail [jjackus@ci.tarpon-springs.fl.us](mailto:jjackus@ci.tarpon-springs.fl.us).

It is anticipated that the 2007 Scholarship application form will be available on the website sometime in February. This will allow members to see what volunteer options are available to earn points during 2007 to attend 2008 events/seminars. The 2008 NIGP Forum is scheduled to be held in Charlotte, NC.

Below is a shortened version for example use only of the 2006 Application For Scholarships Form. Please go to the Chapter's web site for a complete application where you will find the complete form for downloading

### APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP (Tampa Bay Area Chapter Members only 2006 Calendar Year (Points earned during 2006))

#### ATTENDANCE AT SCHEDULED PROGRAMS:

Each Meeting (5 pts) (6 Meetings)

#### GOLF TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION:

Committee Chair (75 pts)    Committee Member (25 pts)

Work in the Tournament (20 pts)

Hole Sponsors (10 pts for each one)    Foursome Sales (10 pts for each one)

#### LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION:

Committee Co-Chairs, i.e. Transportation, Social Events etc. (150 pts) Committee Sub-Chair (75 pts)

Committee Member and/or worked 2006 Forum (35 pts)

#### REVERSE TRADE SHOW:

Committee Chair (200 pts)    Co-Chair or Committee Chairs (100 pts)

Work at Trade Show    AM Shift (15 points)    PM Shift (15 pts)

Vendor Sales (10 pts)    Sponsorship, In-Kind (25 pts)

#### TRAINING:

Assisting with Seminars or CPPB Reviews (10 pts)

#### PROCUREMENT ARTICLES PUBLISHED: (35 pts each)

#### CURRENT CERTIFICATION:

Dual Certification CPPO/ CPPB/ CPM (30 pts)    CPPO, CPPB, CPM, or CPCM (20 pts)

#### TOTAL POINTS ACCUMULATED:

Please indicate which event/seminar is preferred (depending on points earned) \_\_\_\_\_

NIGP National Forum

Will your entity be paying for registration and/or lodging \_\_\_\_\_ if so, how much \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer registration or lodging \_\_\_\_\_

## AROUND THE CHAPTER.....

### HELP A CHILD, INC. CHAPTER DONATION

At the December Chapter luncheon, members contributed WalMart gift cards and cash to this year's charity Help A Child, Inc. The Chapter was able to collect over \$600 for the charity. Many thanks to all that contributed and congratulations to Celeste Gibbons-Peoples for winning the Certificate for the 2007 Forum Registration Fees.

#### WAY TO GO

### CONGRATULATIONS

Theresa Kempa has recently joined the City of Tarpon Springs as the Purchasing Coordinator. Karon Johnson has joined the City of Tampa as a Certified Procurement Analyst. Congratulations to Theresa and Karon on their new positions and good luck.

Also congratulations to all who earned their CPPB or CPO certifications. at the Forum Also to the entities who joined the 100% certified category!

#### WAY TO GO!!

### AFTER FORUM PARTY

Finally an After Forum Party!  
Please plan to join us for the party

January 12, 2007 at the Bilmar Beach Resort on Treasure Island. Drinks and appetizers will be served at 6:30 PM and dinner is at 7:30

PM. Each volunteer is welcome to attend and bring one adult spouse or friend. Please

RSVP to Sharon Rendueles  
[rendueless@hillsboroughcounty.org](mailto:rendueless@hillsboroughcounty.org)

#### PARTY!! PARTY!!

### SAVE THE DATE

Friday April 20, 2007

Third Annual Reverse Trade Show  
University Area Community Center  
14013 N. 22nd Street.

Tampa, Florida 33613

Conveniently located on 22nd St.

between Fletcher & Bears Ave  
8:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

Parking and Lunch is FREE for volunteers. Reminder that volunteers get scholarship points for our NIGP Tampa Chapter to use for professional development and or Forum events.

### BRAIN POWER

Need purchasing training or classes for you or your entity? Want classes in the Tampa Bay Area?

### CONTACT

Arlene Zimney

She would love to hear from

Please contact her @

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**EDUCATION = EXCELLENCE**

### WHY THE OPEN SPACE?

Because you forgot to send me your article (35 pts). Celebrated the promotion or department award but forgot to send the news to the newsletter.

This space could be yours for just a few minutes of your time. Drop me an email and see your name in print!

*Thanks to Kendal Capaz, Pat Wagner, Linda Page, Arlene Zimney, MaryKay Crabtree, and Linda El-Shamy without you these pages would be blank....*



## IT'S YOUR NEWS LETTER

Excited about Christmas....what did Santa bring you? Ready for the for '07? Thinking about your New Years resolution? Any special plans for '07?

Let me hear from you for our next news letter.....who went home for the holidays? Where did you go?

Who had the best/worst weather? Build a snowman or have a snowball fight?

Fess up.....who hit the after holiday sales.....any good buys?

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KEEP IN TOUCH...IT'S YOUR NEWSLETTER

**Tampa Bay Area Chapter  
National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc.  
2007 Meeting Schedule**

January 12: After Forum Party – Bilmar Beach Resort – 7:30 PM  
February 2: Board Meeting – St. Petersburg/Clearwater Airport – 10:00 AM  
March 9: Chapter Luncheon  
April 20: Board Meeting & Reverse Trade Show  
May 11: Golf Tournament  
June 8: Board Meeting  
July 13: Chapter Luncheon  
September 14: Chapter Luncheon  
October 12: Board Meeting  
November 9: Board Meeting  
December 7: Chapter Luncheon

**UNTILL NEXT YEAR.....**

