

NEWSLETTER

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT.....

Presidents Letter, Dec 2008

2008 went by in a flash! It seems like just yesterday the year was beginning and now it is December and we are all making plans for the upcoming holidays with our families and friends.

On October 10 we had 80 members attend a one day seminar on Managing End-Users and Suppliers facilitated by Norma Hall, Director of Procurement for South Carolina. Norma kept the topic lively, very informative, lots of good ideas and interaction. Thanks to MaryKay Crabtree for putting this all together at a cost of only \$20.00 to each member.

Our Annual Product Expo and Tradeshow held on November 14 at the Tampa Fairgrounds was a huge success. Over 120 vendors participated, with lots of good feedback on the choice of venue. Thanks to co-chairs Mina Kaeding and Laurie Roberts for putting this on, there is a tremendous amount of work involved in putting together a successful tradeshow. I know they had great committee chairs, thanks to everyone that was involved and volunteered.

I want to thank the board members and committee chairs for their dedication and hard work this year, Tim Shoby, Laurie Roberts, Mina Kaeding, Linda El Shamy, MaryKay Crabtree, Min Nemoy, Jay Jackus. 2008 was a very successful year for our Tampa Bay Area Chapter of NIGP. But to be successful, it takes commitment and willingness to volunteer. The above board members put in many long hours of work so that our chapter was so successful. We welcome our new board members, Theresa Kempa, Treasurer and Barbara Grilli, Publications. I know that they will do a terrific job and continue the tradition of making our chapter one of the best in NIGP.

Finally, I encourage each and every one of you to get involved in 2009. Make it your resolution that you will serve on one committee, volunteer for one event, sell one booth, attend a luncheon or participate in any way that you can. Our chapter has so much to offer, you won't be disappointed. We have so much to offer in the way of scholarships, not just to the Annual Forum, but you can use scholarship points to attend FAPPO or a NIGP or FAPPO sponsored seminar. With these tough economic times for our agencies and entities, scholarship points are invaluable.

I thank all of you for the privilege to serve as your President this past year.

Happy Holidays to everyone and may 2009 be your best year ever!

Linda Balcombe

ISSUE 32
December 2008

2008 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

LINDA BALCOMBE
CPPB, CPPO

VICE-PRESIDENT

DONNA BEAUPRE'

SECRETARY

LAURIE ROBERTS

CPPB,

TREASURER

•TIM SHOBY, CPPO,

CPPB

BOARD MEMBERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Past President
Pat Wagner CPPB
(813) 749-1268

Professional Development
Jay Jackus, CPPB, CPPO
(727) 942-5615

Membership
MaryKay Crabtree, CPPB,
(813) 301-7084

Programs
Linda El-Shamy, CPPB
(813) 307-1732

Publications
Mina Kaeding, CPPB,
(813) 272-4326

Golf Tournament
Jay Jackus, CPPB, CPPO
(727) 942-5615

Reverse Trade Show
Linda El-Shamy, CPPB
(813) 307-1732

Trade Show
Co-Chairs
Laurie Roberts, CPPB
Mina Kaeding, CPPB



Reverse Trade Show Position Recruitment

We are accepting application for a take-charge volunteer to learn the ropes of managing the Reverse Trade Show after one year of internship under the current Chairperson. Interested individual should submit a letter of interest to the NIGP Tampa Bay Area Chapter President no later than January 15, 2009, outlining their vision and credentials for this position.

Reverse Trade Show Co-Chair

The Trade Show Co-Chair will take the lead for the catering as well as working closely with the Committee Chairs to learn the intricacies of the event.

This position will be responsible for maintaining a close communication with the entity committee chair on the progress of participants recruited. This position will require follow-up in order to insure good participation by all government agencies, which is a critical element of the Reverse Trade Show.

For the catering the Reverse Trade Show Co-chair will obtain the total count of lunches from the entity committee chair to accumulate with the vendor registration committee chair participants totals for the final count to be provided to the caterer. Select the menu and obtain quotes via competition on the food and drinks for the event. The day of the event monitor the catering, the food distribution and the clean up of tables as guest leave after the lunch. Arrange for food tickets to be collected and monitor the volunteers that are cleaning and directing the traffic for the food area. All left over food is donated to the Center. Drink containers will be left for pick up by the caterer after the event. The catering function will be facilitated through the use of the volunteer committee which will supply two to three volunteers to man the luncheon area. The final count of lunches will be provided by the Co-Chair Tuesday, prior to the event.

This position is responsible for recruiting the panel members for the Workshop as well as all the sub chair positions. Also, establish the theme of the Workshop in agreement with the Lead Moderator well in advance in order to be able to include in all advertisement for the show. This person will work closely with the Trade Show Chairperson to train to take the lead the following year.

It is the intent of the Board for this individual to be the Co-Chair the first year with the prior Chair and to be able to Chair the event alone the second year and to Co-Chair with a new person the third year.

2008 NIGP VENDOR TRADE SHOW.....



The 2008 Vendor Trade Show was held Friday November 14th at the Florida State Fairgrounds. The turnout by both vendors and entity participants was EXCEPTIONAL. The trade show attracted over 120 vendors and drew more than 200 attendees from the various Tampa Bay Chapter entities.

While this was the first year the Vendor Trade Show was held at the Florida State Fairgrounds, vendors and attendees alike commented on its ease of access, size of location and ability to show case large equipment and supplies by way of the outside grove area. Platinum and Gold sponsors were very happy to see their booths located at the main entrance to the event and given special signage to draw attention to their contribution. When attendees entered the building the first booths they saw were the Platinum and Gold sponsors.



Many thanks to all the volunteers who made this event a HUGE success. Without your support and hard work this event would have never happened, let alone have been so successful. The Chapter raised over \$20,000.00 from the event.

2009 Membership – It's still only \$25.00!

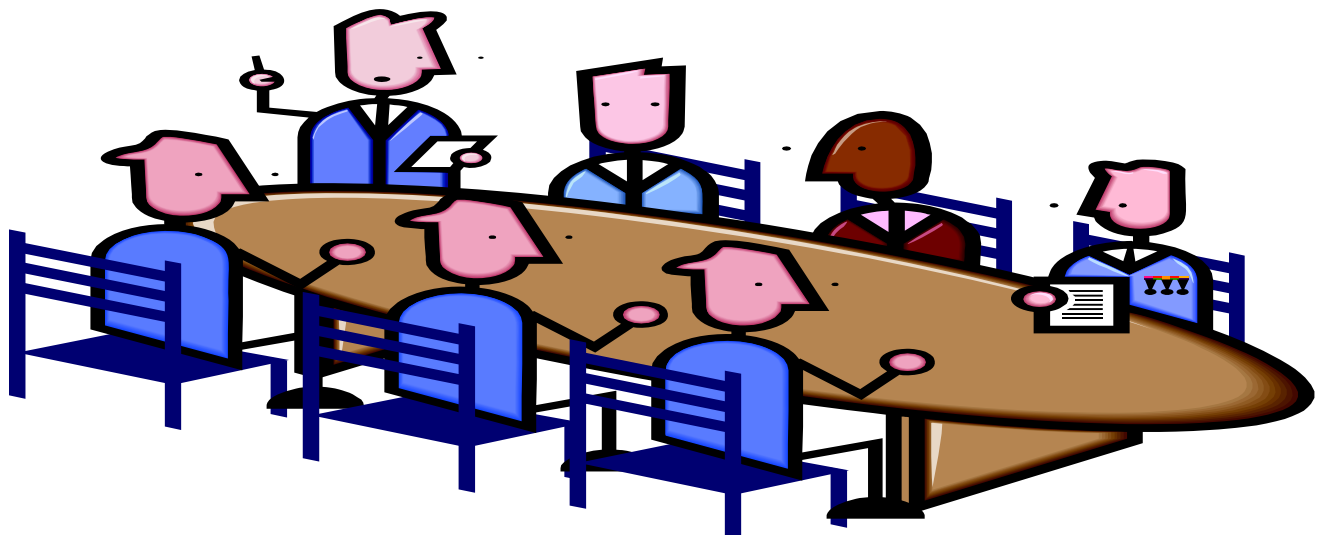
It's that time of year again for renewal of your 2009 membership. For those who haven't submitted their applications, one is attached to the newsletter and will also be available on the Chapter's website.

Thanks to those entities who have already submitted their applications. The 2009 Membership certificates and payments (checks & credit cards) will not be processed until after the 1st of the new year.

Being a member of the Tampa Bay Area Chapter will enhance your professional development. As a member, you will receive discounts towards education/training seminars and workshops sponsored by the Chapter. You may also receive credit points toward your recertification from the NIGP Universal Public Purchasing Council.

Getting involved in a local professional organization enables members to learn through networking, trade shows, and seminars. We need every member to be active and involved in order to make the Chapter grow and continue to be successful.

MaryKay Crabtree
Membership Chair – Tampa Bay Area Chapter



FROM AROUND THE CHAPTER.....

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Dave Synder, Hillsborough County, Public works, CPPO

Min Nemoy, City of Tampa, Purchasing Methods Analyst, CPPB

FOR RECEIVING YOUR CPPB!!!!

THIS REST OF THIS PAGE IS BLANK.....

BECAUSE YOU CHOSE NOT TO SUBMITT SOMETHING
FOR THE NEWSLETTER.....



IT'S YOUR NEWS LETTER

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION.....

*Thanks to
all who contributedwithout you these pages would be blank...*

Excellence in Public Procurement

Tampa Bay Area Chapter NIGP, Inc
www.nigp-tampabay.org
NOTE: THE NEWSLETTER IS POSTED ON THE WEBSITE:
www.nigp-tampabay.org

PUBLICATIONS
Email the news from your corner of the world to:
Mina.kaeding@sdhc.k12.fl.us
Phone: 813-272-4326 Fax 813-272-4390
KEEP IN TOUCH....IT'S YOUR NEWSLETTER

**Tampa Bay Area Chapter
National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc.
2008 Meeting Schedule**

JANUARY 18TH	CHAPTER LUNCHEON
FEBRUARY 8TH	ONE DAY SEMINAR: PROTESTS & DISPUTES
FEBRUARY 15TH	BOARD MEETING
MARCH 14TH	CHAPTER LUNCHEON
APRIL 18TH	REVERSE TRADE SHOW
MAY 16TH	GOLF TOURNAMENT & BOARD MEETING
JUNE 6TH	ONE DAY SEMINAR: ADDING VALUE
JUNE 13TH	BOARD MEETING
JULY 11TH	CHAPTER LUNCHEON
AUGUST	NATIONAL FORUM: CHARLOTTE, N.C.
SEPTEMBER 12TH	CHAPTER LUNCHEON (ELECTION OF OFFICERS)
OCTOBER 10TH	BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 10TH	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 5th	HOLIDAY PROGRAM & OFFICER INSTALLATION



To You And Your Family.....