Hello Everyone!

I hope everyone is enjoying the great fall we are having.

The Cities of Davenport and Bettendorf had fun hosting the fall conference on October 19th. We hope everyone in attendance took something new away from the day. Congratulations to Carrie Lindgren, our Professional of the Year and Barb Sullivan, our Member of the Year. We have several people that were leaving the board or committees. We truly appreciate your volunteerism. Your time is valuable. Several of those leaving the board or committees are moving to other officer duties or other committees; WOW! You just keep giving.

I want to say that the Chapter Manager system on the website made preparing for the fall meeting somewhat simpler. The sign-in sheets for AM and PM were automatically printed. Name badges could be printed for anyone that didn’t already have one. I was very impressed.

As we head into the holiday season, enjoy your family and friends. Take some time to BREATHE. I know everyone is very busy.

Thank you for being members of the IPPA!

Sincerely,
Kristi Keller
NEWS FROM THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Happy Fall Ya’ll! The Nomination Committee is pleased to report that all candidates proposed for the Board in 2017 were elected at the Fall meeting in Davenport. Congratulations to Renee Funk, Vice President Elect, Kim Riebe, Secretary Elect, Stacy Sassman, Treasurer, Heather Mell, continued At-Large Member, Tisha Campbell, At-Large Member elect and Karen Server, returning to the board as an At-Large member elect.

What a beautiful city Davenport is! I had never been to the inner part of the city and the part along the Mississippi River is beautiful, especially with the leaves turning. Thank you to Davenport for hosting a wonderful event!

The Nomination Committee distributed volunteer forms at the fall meeting. Some forms were completed and submitted, however we still have a huge need for volunteers on committees. Please consider where you might be able to serve…this organization belongs to all of us and we should all contribute to it in some way to keep it going. Let Diane or I know where you are willing to serve. There is not a lot of time commitment with most committees, so we should all be able to give a little time so that we can continue networking and learning with our procurement professional colleagues around the state.

Looking forward to seeing you next Spring in Ames, IA.

Have a great Holiday Season!!

Sincerely,

Laurie Hoing, CPPB, Nomination Committee Chair, laurie@aeapurchasing.org

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EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Receive a $25 early registration discount per class by registering 60 or more days in advance of a course. A late fee of $50 will be assessed for those registrations received within 30 days of the course.

Legal Aspects of Public Procurement
November 16-18, Des Moines, IA

Contact Laurie McCracken, lmccracken@city.ames.ia.us, Education Committee Chairperson, with questions.

HAVE A PROCUREMENT STORY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

The newsletter would like to share your story! We are looking for articles that other procurement professionals would find interesting and/or informative. The article could contain information such as why the procurement was necessary, what processes were used, obstacles that were overcome in the process, how long the procurement cycle took, etc.

Submission information is located at the bottom of the last page.
The “IPPA 2016 Fall Meeting and Training Conference” was held Wednesday, October 19, 2016 in Davenport, Iowa at the Freight House Farmer's Market building. Today's meeting was hosted by the City of Davenport, and the City of Bettendorf Purchasing staff. Jason Gordon, Alderman at Large for the City of Davenport welcomed everyone to Davenport.

Training Presentations were given at today’s conference by: 1) Andrew Pickering, Assurance Services, on “Purchasing from an Audit Perspective”; 2) Jeff Young, Gallagher Risk Management Services, on “Insurance-Don't Drop the Bomb”; 3) City of Davenport Facilities Management, on a “Flood Wall Demonstration” of the temporary walls constructed around the Modern Woodsmen Park Stadium to save the area from Mississippi River flooding; 4) Dr. James Patterson, Associate Dean and Associate Professor of Supply Chain Management at Western Illinois University, on “Writing Good Specifications”.

Election of Officers: Election (voting) Ballots have been tabulated and the following 2017 Iowa Public Procurement Association Board Officer Candidates have been elected and sworn in to their new positions:

- Randy Bennett, State of Iowa DAS: President
- Renee Funk, University of Iowa: Vice-President
- Kim Riebe, City of Council Bluffs: Secretary
- Stacy Sassman, Iowa State University: Treasurer
- Heather Mell, City of Cedar Rapids: At Large Director
- Tisha Campbell, Iowa State University: At Large Director
- Karen Server, City of Ames: At Large Director
- Kristi Keller, City of Davenport: Past-President

Congratulations New (2017) Board Officers!!

Our final presentation for the day was given by Kristi Keller, and Cindy Whitaker. Recently, a new Central Fire Station for the City of Davenport was bid and is under construction (due to be finished December 2016). We walked to the new Central Fire Station for a tour. The “historical” portion of the original fire station is being restored and will remain next to the new building. Nice job ladies!

A “service project” of personal items (diapers, soap, shampoo, seasonal items of winter coats, hats, scarves, boots, and gloves for women and children) was collected and will be donated to the Family Resources Agency in the Quad Cities. Thank you everyone for donating and for your kind hearts!

Submitted by: Barb Sullivan
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES
The IPPA Chapter Connection newsletter is a quarterly publication. Newsletters will be published in March, June, September, and December.

Re-certification points are given for any newsletter articles that are submitted for publication.
You may submit articles to Kim Riebe via email at kriebe@councilbluffs-ia.gov.

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