The Greater Miami Chapter has been established since 1987. What a better way to celebrate its 30 years of continuous commitment to its members and volunteers than during Procurement Month!

**Join us at the celebration on March 21, 2017 at the next Board of Commissioners Meeting!**

**GMC’S TOP 3 GOALS**

1. Increase involvement with our community.
2. Focus on members and class offerings.
3. Kickoff Internship Program and at least match/place (3) student interns to our local agencies.

>> Help us stay on track to accomplish our goals! <<

A BIG thanks to all members that participated and assisted in the November Newsletter Name Game.

A special congratulations to… Rita Silva, the winner of the game. Let’s all share ideas, insight and recent events to keep the Chapter working for its members.

**EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Nominations for member spotlights, member news, and promotions are always welcomed. Send nominations to communications@nigpmiami.org.

Questions? You can also contact us via e-mail at info@nigpmiami.org.
SAVE THE DATE

On March 21, 2017, The Board of County Commissioners will celebrate March as “National Purchasing Month”. They will recognize the valuable contributions and achievements of its Public Procurement Professionals and the Members of the Greater Miami Chapter of NIGP - The National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.

REGISTRATION

Make us Stronger! Become an “Active” Member!
For Membership Information Contact
Vivian Walters Jr., Membership Committee Chair membership@migpmiami.org or Visit our Website www.nigpmiami.org

FEES

Annual Renewal/New Membership
$35.00; $25.00 before March 31
Retired or Student Members: No charge

UPCOMING MEETINGS & CLASSES

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* Registration closes 30 days prior to class date*

ETHICS – Staying on the Right Side...

Some of your day-to-day activities may touch on ethical issues in procurement. Require your procurement professionals to orient you to the conduct, situations, relationships or conflicts of interest that could negatively affect the procurement process, or can be perceived by the public as unethical. Declare any conflict of interest at the beginning of any procurement/contracting-related activity you may be involved with; be conservative and recuse yourself when appropriate. Lead and foster a culture of high ethical standards for public procurement in your entity.
Congratulations Beth Goldsmith, CPPB, Chief Negotiator on your new promotion and all the best for the future! Miami-Dade County Internal Services Dept, Procurement Management Services Division

HAPPY RETIREMENT ANDREW ZAWOYSKI

As you go into this next phase of your life, may you enjoy the very best life has to offer!

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Remember if you are an active member you can submit a scholarship application to be reimbursed for up to $250 per year for the successful completion of Professional Development Courses. The Scholarship Fund Application and instructions can be found at: www.nigpmiami.org or Submit Scholarship Applications to: Theo Carrasco, Ph.D., CPPO, CPPB at honors@nigpmiami.org

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