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Awards & Scholarships

Remember you can submit a scholarship application for any Chapter sponsored event.

The Scholarship Application and Instructions can be found at www.aznigp.org

Submit scholarship applications to Kristy.Garcia@MesaAZ.gov

Recent Award Recipients:

Karie Ingles, City of Scottsdale
$560 registration fee to attend NIGP Seminar: Logistics and Transportation

Congratulations!

Member Birthday’s

March

♦ 6th—Kim Clark
♦ 9th—Kristen Micurescu
♦ 10th—Ted Ross
♦ 10th—Robert Schoepe
♦ 12th—Michelle Gerola
♦ 13th—Margaret “Peggy” Hayes
♦ 14th—Linda Cary
♦ 16th—Patricia Olivas
♦ 17th—Jim Kennedy
♦ 23rd—Ian Millar
♦ 24th—Elizabeth Burgard
♦ 25th—Becki McGlynn
♦ 27th—Geof Replogle
♦ 29th—Lorina Gillette
♦ 30th—Peggy Ferrin

April

♦ 13th—Edwin Nyberg
♦ 14th—Guadalupe Gomez
♦ 14th—Jennifer Miller
♦ 16th—Kimberly Shelley
♦ 18th—Kyle Talbert
♦ 21st—Cindy Arnold
♦ 21st—Telma Bearden
♦ 24th—Patricia Lorenzen
♦ 25th—Kathleen Shipman
♦ 26th—Kimberly Grantham
♦ 28th—Barbara Hummell
♦ 28th—Myrna Quihuis
January Chapter Luncheon Recap

January Luncheon

January’s luncheon business meeting was held at ADOT on January 10, 2017.

The agenda included committee reports and what is being planned for the year.

The Scholarship committee is actively seeking applications for Manager of the Year and Buyer of the Year and Scholarship Forum applications. New money is available for 2017 so everyone is encouraged to apply. The calendar year 2017 budget was discussed and approved as well as approving the December luncheon meeting minutes.

Guest speakers, Gary Barkman, Mesa Public Schools and Bill Munch, Valley Schools Management Group, discussed the Cooperative Purchasing Matrix that was developed by the Chapter’s Cooperative Committee. Many hours have gone into developing this matrix which shows all the available cooperative contracts and provides information on each one so you can perform your own due diligence when selecting a cooperative to use. This matrix and additional information will be posted on the chapter website soon.

Several members won prizes and gift cards as part of the pro-d prize raffle drawing, and Matt Juan, Maricopa County Public Health and Jesse Atoigue, Arizona Department of Child Safety, won a free lunch to attend a future luncheon meeting.

Members are encouraged to visit the chapter website at www.aznigp.org for any information.

UPPCC Class of October 2016

New CPPB’s

The following AZNIGP members passed the October 2016 UPPCC Exam and earned their professional designations:

*Brandy Andersen, CPPB*
City of Mesa

*Kimberly Shelley, CPPB*
State of Arizona (DES)

The coveted Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB) credentials, recognized throughout the public procurement profession, demonstrate an individual’s comprehensive knowledge of public procurement.

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH!
P.F. Chang’s Rock ‘n’ Roll Marathon

Thank you to all the members and their friends and family that turned out on January 15th for this year’s P.F. Chang’s Rock ‘n’ Roll Marathon.

Thank you for graciously volunteering your time and supporting your chapter. You are truly outstanding and you ROCK!

Hope to see even more of you next year!

Reverse Trade Show

The 6th annual Reverse Trade Show is being held April 3, 2017 at Goodyear Ballpark in Goodyear, AZ. Victoria Jackson with the City of Goodyear has graciously volunteered to host this years event.

Procurement representatives from all member agencies are encouraged to participate by registering for a booth.

Our Reverse Trade Show is an event that allows vendors with the opportunity to meet with you! This event is designed specifically for local businesses, small businesses, new start-up business, entrepreneur, contractors or any other company wanting to network with Public Procurement Professionals.

Please invite your vendors to attend. Registration information for vendors and members is available at www.aznigp.org.
Leadership Symposium

NIGP Leadership Development Symposium 2017

I was honored this year as Vice President to attend NIGP’s 4th Annual Leadership Development Symposium in Herndon, VA., February 23-25, 2017.

I joined many Chapter Ambassadors and other Chapter Officers from around the country for this unique opportunity. This was not an ordinary leadership experience. It was an adventure that motivated, excited and energized me. I left feeling empowered with the knowledge and confidence to lead in ways that will help me, the chapter, my agency, our profession, and our institute.

This leadership journey armed me with the skills and knowledge I needed to be an effective leader and will need as your Vice President and time to learn and grow from this experience in time to serve at your next President.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity. It was one of the highlights of my career.

Peggy Ferrin, Tempe Unified High School District, our Area 9 Chapter Ambassador was also in attendance.

March—Procurement Month 2017

Attention Procurement Professionals!

March is Governmental Procurement Month and time to celebrate the role of the public procurement profession. Be sure to reach out to your colleagues and in some way, either individually or as a group, honor the profession with an additional activity. Some examples include, taking a class, writing a purchasing related article, department open house, submitting the Procurement Month Proclamation to your board or council in the form of an official government resolution and for those of you working on certification, make it your goal to achieve this in 2017.

The underlying theme for all activities during Procurement Month is the promotion and recognition of the field of Public Procurement.

And don’t forget that March 8th is Professional Buyer’s Day.

AZNIGP would love to hear about how you and your colleagues celebrated Procurement Month! Please send pictures and information on any Procurement Month activities to Kristy Garcia at Kristy.Garcia@MesaAZ.gov.

We would love to share some of the Purchasing Month activities in the next issue of The Purchasing Exchange.
Our charity for 2017 is Paws 4 Life. Paws 4 Life is a non-profit organization started in 2007, serving the community through pets, service dogs, and volunteers working together to bring affordable training, adoptions, a food bank, and unique services to the East Valley. All staff including the trainers are volunteers, no one receives a paycheck. They are a 100% volunteer organization.

Please help us help Paws 4 Life this year by donating wish list items at all chapter luncheons, career seminars, and at the Regional Conference.

Thank you in advance for your donations!

Wish List Items:

⇒ New leashes
⇒ Water and Food Bowls
⇒ Unopened dog treats
⇒ Unopened dog food (canned or dry)
⇒ New dog toys: Kongs, rope toys, etc.
⇒ Brushes and/or combs
⇒ Gift cards to pet supply stores
⇒ Baby blankets
⇒ Doggy beds
⇒ Clean towels
⇒ Hand sanitizer
Membership Report

Active Members = 428
Pending Members = 5
Expired Members = 0
Vacant Members = 17
New Members = 14

Please report any members that have left your agency so they can be marked as expired and your agency can get credit for a vacant membership. You can apply this vacant membership to any new hire. (same membership year only)

Membership renewals or any new membership is $40.00. Currently all new memberships is only $20 for half year. All NEW members receive a free lunch voucher to attend a chapter luncheon ($20 value).

Benefits to being a Chapter Member include, free webinars, networking opportunities, discounted professional development events, scholarship opportunities, and much more!

Please contact Sharon Brause, Membership Chair to redeem free lunch vouchers, remove or add any members, and with any questions or help getting registered. Sharon.Brause@MesaAZ.gov (tel) 480-644-2815.

Welcome New Members!

Donna Wiltshire
City of Phoenix

Eric Boyles
City of Surprise

Benjamin R. White Jr.
AZ Department of Economic Security (DES)

Lisa Richardson
AZ Department of Economic Security (DES)

Dan Bunkers
AZ Department of Economic Security (DES)

Zulema Richard
AZ Department of Economic Security (DES)

Laura Nobles
AZ Department of Economic Security (DES)

Brian Stanley
Central Arizona Project

Grant Wilson
Maricopa County Procurement Services

Aide Acedo
AZ Department of Economic Security (DES)

Maria Lara
Arizona Department of Corrections

Leon Haulot
Central Arizona Project

Bobby Williams II
Buckeye Elementary School District #33

Scott Schaller
Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT)

Retirements

Janie Terry
Arizona Department of Corrections

Wes Baysinger
Maricopa County Procurement Services

Elizabeth Csaki
ADOA / State Procurement Office
Member Spotlight: Brandy Andersen, CPPB

Brandy Andersen, CPPB
City of Mesa

How long have you been in Purchasing? A little over 4 years.

How long have you worked for your employer? A little over 4 years.

How did you get into Purchasing? I was turned down for a job as a Contractor’s Specialist with another agency, which then motivated me to get into the Purchasing field.

Before joining my current employer, I was: A Contracts Administrative Assistant for the Town of Gilbert.

What was your first car? A 1982 Buick Skylark.

If you could have only one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? Chicken Tikka Masala with Basmati Rice and Naan.

My favorite place is: I still can’t decide if I like the mountains or the beach better.

It’s your day off. What are you doing? Working on this questionnaire.

What makes you laugh? Funny movies.

Where is your hometown? Cleveland, Ohio.

What do you like to do outside of work? Hike, travel, relax at spas and resorts, read, prepare and deliver speeches (yes, I LOVE public speaking).

Favorite book, movie, dream vacation? I want to go to Italy someday.

Any recent accomplishment / recognition you are proud of and would like to share? I obtained my CPPB this year.
Calendar of Events

Chapter Luncheon Meeting’s
- May 9, 2017—11:30 AM
- September 12, 2017—11:30 AM
- December 12, 2017—11:30 AM

Professional Development Opportunities
- March-April 2017—CPPO / CPPB Review Sessions
- April 4, 2017—NIGP Seminar: Adding Value to the Procurement Process
- May 15-17, 2017—NIGP Seminar: Strategic Procurement Planning
- June 19, 2017—Seminar: ABC’s of RFP’s
- August 27-30, 2017—NIGP National Forum, Salt Lake City, Utah
- August-September—CPPO / CPPB Review Sessions
- September 18-19, 2017—NIGP Seminar: Advancing Your Negotiation Skills
- October 26, 2017—Regional Conference, Phoenix Convention Center
- November 6, 2017—NIGP Seminar: Preparing for and Surviving Internal Audits

Career Seminar’s
- March 14, 2017—8:00 AM—Professional Speaker Scott Friedman, CSP
“Celebrate! Lessons Learned from the World’s Most Admired Organizations”
and Celebrate Purchasing Month!
- August 8, 2017—8:00 AM

Webinar / Lunch & Learn
- April 11, 2017—11:30 AM—The Ins and Outs of the Uniform Grant Guidance
- June 13, 2017—11:30 AM—Procurement Performance Metrics
- November 14, 2017—11:30 AM—Writing Specifications that Result in Competition

Volunteer Events
- April 22, 2017—Pat’s Run (Chapter will pay your registration fee to participate. Contact Sharon Brause if interested.)

Other
- April 3, 2017—Reverse Trade Show
Just for Fun!

I ♥ Procurement

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GOOD NEWS, ALICE. I'VE DECIDED TO BE YOUR MENTOR.

WE'LL SPEND HUNDREDS OF HOURS TOGETHER AS YOU EAGERLY ABSORB MY WISDOM.

AND I'VE DECIDED TO BECOME MORE OF A HUGGER.

HURK

HURK HURK

I NEED A CAPITAL ALLOCATION FORM.

DO YOU HAVE A FORM TO REQUEST THAT FORM?

I NEED A FORM TO GET A FORM?

THAT'S HOW WE KEEP TRACK OF THE FORMS.

OKAY, GIVE ME A FORM TO REQUEST A FORM.

THOSE ARE ONLINE.

WHERE ONLINE?

I DON'T KNOW. I ONLY DO PAPER FORMS.

WHO CAN I ASK?

DON'T DRAG ME INTO THIS.

I DEMAND TO TALK TO YOUR BOSS.

I HOPE YOU BROUGHT A BOSS REQUEST FORM.
Contact Us

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