

IPPA NEWSLETTER



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The IPPA Fall Dinner Meeting, featuring guest speaker Bobbi Matthews, CPPO, CPPB, NIGP Third Vice-President, was held at Lock, Stock and Barrel in Boise on September 29th at 6 pm.

Bobbi is the Senior Manager of Administrative Services for the Port of Portland. The topics of her talk was P-Card Usage

and Abuse; The Port of Portland Experience; and an update on current NIGP new and events.



Upcoming Dates to Note:

- Board Nominations in November
- Board Elections in December
- Christmas Lunch at On The Border in December
- Winter Dinner Meeting in January

CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATION

The Board has voted to extend the current membership expiration date of September 30, 2009 to December 1, 2009. This means you will have three (3) extra months of membership gratis.

The decision was made to align our annual membership planning allow for a longer period of time for renewals and new membership drive.

You should have your renewals for membership. Please turn them in now!

Membership in IPPA is open to all public procurement personnel in the State of Idaho, including federal, state, city, county, and any other political subdivision of the State (such as school districts, high-

way districts, port authorities, fire districts, etc.)

Also included are any full-time employees of any NIGP member agencies provided that he/she spends the majority of his/her time involved in contracting, purchasing, or the materials management function.

Membership dues are \$30 per year.

Benefits of Membership:

1. Attend NIGP seminars and learn innovative purchasing skills.
2. Prepare for professional certification that is administered through the UPPCC.
3. Network, exchange ideas and information, and discuss current issues with peers.
4. Develop and enhance your skills and

talents in order to become more competitive in today's business climate.

5. Demonstrate leadership through volunteer service on a chapter board or committee—experiences that allow you to acquire new skills in planning, managing, an organizing.
6. Learn more about new career opportunities and promotions available in the local and regional area.
7. Attend NIGP Webinar's at no cost to you.
8. The opportunity to attend 4 dinner meetings per year with guest speakers.

GETTING TO KNOW IPPA DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE, MARCIA TODD

Marcia Todd is currently the Director-At-Large on the Idaho Public Purchasing Association.

Marcia holds the position of Grants/Contracts Officer for services procurement for the Department of Environmental Quality. Some of the RFP and bid projects Marcia works on are the yard remediation program for the Coeur d' Alene Basin Superfund Site, air and water quality monitoring contracts, hazardous waste site characterization and various types of employee training.

Marcia's career in procurement took off when her mentor, Tina

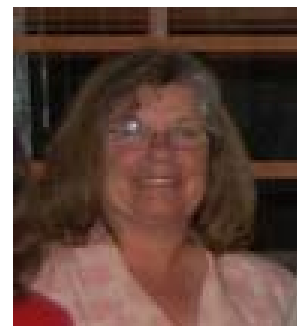
Klamt, was leaving DEQ. Tina said, "You can do this." Marcia said, "Okay."

Marcia has lived in Idaho for more years than she cares to say...and absolutely loves it here. She was a partner in the Sweet Store in Sweet, Idaho for several years. "Now that was a learning experience!"

Marcia enjoys fishing (as long as they are biting), camping (as long as the mosquitoes are not biting), reading, picnics and the Coast.

Marcia and her husband Bruce are involved with Student Exchange programs. So far they have hosted three students who were from Thailand, China, and South Korea. They liken it

to running a mini-United Nations, especially when they hold the annual Christmas party with as many as 28 students from different countries attending. Marcia's daughter Elyse loves it—she wants to travel and visit them all!



RETIRED MEMBER / NEW OFFICER/NEW MEMBER

The IPPA Board voted Pearl Smith to the Retired Membership as of July 23, 2009. Retired members are entitled to vote but cannot hold office and shall be exempt from dues.



Pearl joins Lyle Gessford and Tina Klamt as Retired Members.

IPPA Board has appointed Cathy Grisham to serve out the Director-At-Large position vacated by Pearl Smith. Cathy's appointment began July 23, 2009 and expires December 1, 2009.

Congratulations Cathy!



Welcome to IPPA's newest member. Carolyn Burke. Carolyn is with the Department of Agriculture. She is responsible for the purchasing for the department.

Welcome aboard Carolyn!

CALL FOR IPPA BOARD NOMINATIONS

IPPA is seeking nominations for President, Vice President, Treasurer and Director-At-Large 1 year term.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else in IPPA, please e-mail your nomination to Diane Morrison at dmorri-

son@cityofboise.org. November 30, 2009 is the deadline for nominations.

The election of officers will take place during the week of December 7th.

For more information on officer positions, visit the IPPA by-laws at



<http://nigp-idaho.org/IPPA%20Documents/IPPA%20Chapter%20By-Laws%202011%202009.pdf>

Please nominate!

Please vote!

UPCOMING IPPA MEETINGS

The IPPA Christmas luncheon will be held in December at On The Border by Edwards Theater. An e-mail will be sent with time and date.

The IPPA Winter Dinner meeting will be held January 2010. There will be upcoming information on the date and location.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The IPPA website has a calendar of the Board meetings, dinner meetings and any other dates to remember.

Please check regularly!

Have a Happy Holiday season!

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TRAINING REQUESTS

Please enter your training requests on the IPPA Blog (<http://www.nigp-idaho.org/cgi-bin/blog>).

Bloggers...here's your
chance to blog away!



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