

**Idaho Public
 Purchasing
 Association**

March is Purchasing Month

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March is Purchasing Month. NIGP has selected the **GoPro** (Government Procurement) logo this year.

March was designated as the time to celebrate your accomplishments and contributions during National Purchasing Month.

Attend the IPPA March dinner meeting to help celebrate!

GoPro! Be proud...And say it aloud...

Best practices, best value and high moral integrity you show...You are a **gov-ernment procurement** pro...

Congratulations on the tremendous service you perform every day and during Purchasing Month.

You are a member of an elite group of professionals that have made a difference in governmental efficiency and effectiveness.



IPPA Dinner Meeting



The March Idaho Public Purchasing Association dinner meeting will be held at the Pizza Hut at 818 Ann Morrison Park Drive on March 11, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

To celebrate Purchasing

month, there will be complimentary pizza and soft drinks to members, a raffle for a \$25 Southwest Airlines coupon, and NIGP GoPro Purchasing buttons. The \$5 non-member attendance fee has been waived as well.

Mayor David Bieter is scheduled to speak .

Plan on attending and networking with other Idaho public purchasing professionals.

2008 IPPA Board Members

The elections were held and the 2008 board members were elected and sworn in at the IPPA dinner meeting January 15, 2008.

The Board is:

Robert Perkins, President (4th from left)

Tina Klamt, Vice President (far right)

Cathy Grisham, Secretary (2nd from right)

Tina McBride, Treasurer (far left)

Bonnie Sletten, Director at Large (not pictured)

Bob Kobza, Director at Large (2nd from left)

Outgoing President Diane Morrison (3rd from left)



IPPA members preparing for the meeting (left). The 2007 IPPA board (right).



Identity Theft

The guest speaker at the January 15th IPPA dinner meeting was Wade Spain from the Boise Police Department. Officer Spain spoke on Identity Theft.

Identity Theft is the fastest growing crime in the U.S. It is estimated that 900,000—or one every minute—will be the victim of identity theft. The losses are in the billions annually.

Officer Spain discussed how your



identity can be stolen, tips to avoid

becoming a victim, what to do if you have been the victim of identity theft, investigation/prosecution and where to go for help.

Did you know that each of the three major credit bureaus are required by law to give you one free credit report per year (Equifax, Experian and Trans Union). To get yours, go to www.annualcreditreport.com or call 887-322-8228.

Meet IPPA Board Vice President, Tina Klamt

Tina Klamt is the current Vice President of IPPA and is a charter member.

I have held the position of Purchasing Agent for the Idaho Transportation Department since April 2006. Prior to that I was the Senior Buyer at ITD for 11 months. The ITD headquarters purchasing section for which I have supervisory responsibility consists of two buyers, two contract specialists and a senior buyer. We are responsible for all purchasing for the Department with the exception of highway construction. In addition, we coordinate with the six highway districts each of whom have a supply operations supervisor and a buyer who purchase on behalf of the districts. The purchasing function within the agency is varied and dynamic. At any one time there are over 900 active contracts for such goods and services as the modernization of the driver's license system, support for the ITD financial system, road weather information system towers and cameras, road salt and deicer products, traffic line paint, asphalt, dump trucks, snow plow blades, sand sheds, aeronautics pilot and aircraft support services, information technology hardware and software, laboratory equipment, rest area maintenance, and a pedestrian



bridge for the City of Salmon, to list just a few.

My career in procurement began in the late 1970's in the Department of Health and Welfare. I was employed there off and on for a total of 18 years in a service program area. Along with developing service standards, I was responsible for developing bid specifications and publishing requests for proposals for services to be delivered in all regions of the state. Conduct of the proposal evaluation process and contract award, along with contract management and contractor compliance reviews were tasks I was also responsible for.

Prior to moving to ITD, I worked at DEQ for six years. I held the position of Grants/Contracts Officer and was

responsible for services procurement. Some of the RFP and bid projects I worked on were the yard remediation program for the Coeur d'Alene Basin superfund site, air and water quality monitoring contracts, fish taxonomy, air dispersion modeling, hazardous waste site characterization, drinking water operator certification and various types of employee training.

I received my CPPB certification in April 2002. I grew up in Idaho and have a passion for sailing and anything outdoors. I currently sail a 22 foot Catalina named "Second Wind". I have been a member of the Southern Idaho Sailing Association for 25 years and served on the board of that organization for many of those years, in the capacities of secretary, treasurer, and Commodore. I also enjoy skiing, camping and quilting and just recently began to teach my Granddaughter Sierra (8) to quilt. My son Christopher Eaton works for the Idaho Tax Commission and is also an avid sailor and Ultimate Frisbee champion. His wife Becky is a medical technician.

After 33 plus years in state government, I will be retiring the end of March 2008. My plans are to travel with my adopted dog Elsa a Border collie, sail, quilt, do yard work, camp

Visit the Web

New year, new web-site look! Log on to www.nigp-idaho.org and see the new web page. Click on the tabs and links for more information. There is even a Training tab with the latest offerings.

Thanks to Bob Perkins for the new look!

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Welcome

IPPA is a Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP). It is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the advancement of the purchasing profession through education and cooperative relationships among its members. Our membership includes purchasing professionals from federal, state, city, county, school districts, and other political subdivisions.

IPPA Newsletters

[IPPA Newsletter #1](#)

[IPPA Newsletter #2](#)

Meeting Schedule

Webinars, Seminars, and other Special Events are held throughout the year. Dinner meetings are held quarterly and have a guest speaker on a topic of interest. The Board of Directors meet quarterly. To view the schedule for upcoming months, go to the Meetings page.

Click here for the IPPA Chapter Constitution and Bylaws - revised December 2004.

[IPPA Chapter Bylaws](#)



Membership

Membership is open to all public procurement professionals in the State of Idaho, including federal, state, city, county, and any other political subdivision of the State (such as school districts, highway districts, port authorities, fire districts, etc.) Also included are any full-time employees of any NIGP member agencies that are involved in contracting, purchasing, or the materials management function.



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Links & Additional Resources

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NIGP

The National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc. (NIGP) is a national, membership-based non-profit organization providing support to professionals in the public sector purchasing profession. NIGP provides its members with many services, including education, professional networking, research, and technical assistance. Organized in 1944, NIGP is an international not-for-profit educational and technical organization of public purchasing agencies. The Institute is composed of 73 affiliate chapters and more than 2,300 agency members representing federal, state, provincial and local government levels throughout the United States.

NIGP (National Institute of Governmental Purchasing)
NAPM—Idaho Southwest (Local affiliate of the Institute of Supply Management)

ISM (Institute of Supply Management [formerly NAPM])

NAEB (National Association of Educational Buyers)

NCMA (National Contract Management Association)

NASPO (National Association of State Procurement Officials)

WSCA (Western States Contracting Alliance)

Oregon Chapter of NIGP (Oregon Public Purchasing Association)

The RFP Report (A free newsletter from Michael Asner regarding Request for Proposals)

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