



FM BROADCASTER

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A Message from Our President . . .

“...And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, **'Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth peace, good will toward men.'** That's what Christmas is all about, *Charlie Brown.*”

~ Linus

December – a time for joyful celebrations! The Fort Myers Chapter is definitely in the Spirit of Christmas. We begin with our **Annual Holiday Social**, held jointly with the Cape Coral Chapter. This is a special celebration which began last year. Each year we get together with our sister chapter and take turns as the host chapter. This year is our turn! **Peggy Poole**, CPS and **Dianne Reed**, CPS have coordinated a wonderful evening for us, with a little help from their friends, on **Thursday, December 2, at 6 p.m.**, at the Regional Cancer Center's lovely new facility on Colonial Boulevard. Remember to bring a canned food item so you can participate in the scavenger hunt!

We will hold our **Holiday Auction** at our December 14 chapter meeting. **You are a part of the success of this event!** Start thinking now about what to donate for our auction. Are you crafty? Do you like to bake? Do you sew? Do you take amazing photographs? Do you grow stunning orchids? Or you can even donate a newly purchased item. This is always a fun, heartwarming evening filled with laughter. And remember, **all of the funds we raise go towards our annual scholarship awards!**

Admin Christmas Wish List

A few wishes from me for all of the hard-working, over-achieving admins in our chapter!

J – Just a few more minutes in each day to get it all done.

O – One less task, to make way for one more random act of kindness.

Y – You and I to get together for some fun.

F – Five golden rings (or five golden onion rings, with dipping sauce).

U – Unbelievable bargains on your shopping list.

L – Less worry, more love.

N – No excuses for taking more time for yourself.

O – One more day in the week, just for rest!

I – Imagine all of the wonderful things to come your way in the New Year.

S – Someone to share your funny stories with.

E – Every member of our chapter – peace, joy, love, and hope!



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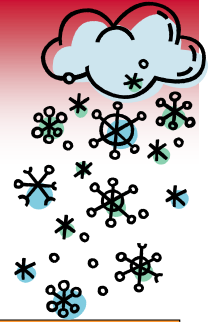


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Announcements!

Birthdays

Crystal McMillan, CPS/CAP 12/28

Anniversaries

Doris Renye 21 years
Stella Toomey, CPS/CAP 17 years

Congratulations . . .

. . . to **Debbie Kooi**, CPS/CAP who will graduate with a bachelor's degree in public administration from Barry University on December 20. Debbie will graduate with honors (magna cum laude) with a GPA of 3.89. We are so proud of you, Debbie!

Don't forget to sign up for E-Groups!

One criteria needed to achieve our Silver Certificate Award is to have 75% of chapter membership subscribed to the Florida Division E-Group on the IAAP Web Community. It only takes minutes to register!

On the International website (www.iaap-hq.org), log in to the Members area, click on Network, and select Groups & Networks. Here you will see which E-groups you are currently registered for and can click on each group to access it. If you do not see "Fort Myers Chapter" and "Florida Division," you should then click on E-groups at the top menu bar

and then select My Subscriptions. This screen allows you to select all of the groups you would like to join, as well as choose whether you'd like to receive real-time copies of the messages exchanged in each group, a daily digest of the messages, or no messages. If you select no messages, it will be up to you to log in and check the E-groups you are interested in.

For your convenience, we will attempt to have a computer available at every meeting to make it easy for you to register.





Upcoming Events

December 2	Joint Holiday Social with Cape Coral Chapter (hosted by Ft. Myers Chapter)
December 14	Fort Myers Monthly Chapter Meeting—Holiday Auction
January 11	Fort Myers Monthly Chapter Meeting
January 22	Cape Coral Chapter Workshop
February 8	Fort Myers Monthly Chapter Meeting
March 6-9	Spring Conference, Tampa
March 26	FLAN—Co-host with Cape Coral Chapter

Let's Get Cooking!

Back by popular demand, Stacy Schmitt has scheduled two dates for cooking at the Ronald McDonald House at HealthPark.

The dates are January 22 and February 12, and volunteers are still needed. Groups of six put together a complete meal, usually consisting of an entrée, side dish and dessert. However, menus are created by each group.

The purpose of the Ronald McDonald House is to assist families who may travel far from home to get treatment for their seriously ill or injured children. It can be a long time to be away from home or to divide a family. For children facing a serious medical crisis, nothing seems scarier than not having their mom and dad nearby for loving support.

This is a very worthy cause and a rewarding experience. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Stacy at stacy.schmitt@aecom.com.



Trivia Quiz Answers
 (see pg. 4)

1. B
2. A
3. D
4. A
5. B
6. D
7. C
8. C
9. B
10. B

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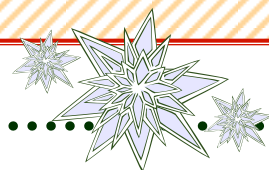
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New Year Trivia Quiz

- Under which calendar is New Year's Day Jan. 1?
A. Julian Calendar
B. Gregorian Calendar
C. Jewish Calendar
D. Chinese Calendar
- What calendar determines the date of the Chinese New Year?
A. Lunar
B. Solar
C. Chinese
D. Zen
- Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the new year for what religion?
A. Muslim
B. Christian
C. Buddhist
D. Jewish
- Kwanzaa is a seven-day holiday that begins Dec. 26 and extends through Jan. 1. What does the word mean in Swahili?
A. First fruits
B. First people
C. First days
D. First dance

- In the Middle Ages most European countries used the Julian calendar, so they observed New Year's Day when?
A. Feb. 14th
B. March 25th
C. April 1st
D. May 21st
- The name January is derived from the Roman god Janus. What is he the god of?
A. Wine and grapes
B. Babies and childbirth
C. Clocks and calendars
D. Gates and doors
- When do the practitioners of Tibetan Buddhism celebrate New Year's?
A. Never
B. January
C. February
D. March
- The Roman New Year festival was called the Calends, and people decorated their homes and gave each other gifts. In early times, the ancient Romans gave each other New Year's gifts of branches from sacred trees. Later they gave small items, such as nuts or coins, imprinted with pictures of

what God?
A. Julius Caesar
B. Jesus Christ
C. Janus
D. Zeus

9. What New Year's gift did ancient Persians give?
A. Money
B. Eggs
C. Cakes
D. Rugs

10. In ancient Egypt what event dictated the timing of New Year's celebrations?
A. Pharaoh's birthday
B. Flooding of Nile
C. Solar eclipse
D. Exact alignment of stars with Great Pyramid

*For answers,
see page 3.*

