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Fort Myers Chapter

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A Message from Our President



It's Our Moment in the Sun!

Ah, April. This is our month! I may be stretching it a bit...

after all, Administrative Professionals Week® is just a week. But it's later in the month (this year, it is April 24-30), and we can spend the whole month looking forward to it!

I'd like to share these words by Zig Ziglar: *"Research indicates that workers have three prime needs: Interesting work, recognition for doing a good job, and being let in on things that are going on in the company."*

I think these same principles can be applied within our chapter, and I hope we are meeting your needs. We recently conducted our **Annual Member Satisfaction Survey**, and the results are included in this issue. Please always feel free to contact me or any

other Board member at any time with questions or feedback. We love to hear from you!

Speaking of recognition, we will find out who our new Administrative Professional of Year (APOTY) is on Administrative Professionals Day® - Wednesday, April 27 - at our **Administrative Professional of the Year Event**. We will also present our scholarship awards to deserving students in our community. This is always a fun and inspiring way to start the day - I hope you will all plan to attend.

While you are planning important events to attend... be sure to add the **Florida Division Annual Meeting (FDAM)** to your calendar! This is a great opportunity to learn, network and have some fun. I am always impressed to see our Division Board in action! Online registration is now available at

<http://iaapgainesville.org/FDAM/index.htm>.

The event will take place June 24-26 at the Gainesville Gateway Grand. Early bird discounted registration is available until May 1.

EFAM Anyone? On the heels of FDAM is International's Education Forum and Annual Meeting (EFAM), July 24 -27, this year in Montreal! This sounds pretty far in the future, but now is the time to plan for your international adventure! Right now, HQ is offering the "Countdown to EFAM" sale, which ends May 9 - so visit the HQ website now for more details! After all, a penny saved is a penny earned.

'April' Showers? I will leave you with a thought from Stephen R. Covey: *"You have to water the flowers you want to grow."* Most parts of the country welcome their 'April' showers,

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Announcements

Birthdays

Stacy Schmitt 28

Anniversaries

Dianne Reed, CPS/CAP 7 years

Leah Zych 7 years

Kaitlyn Moll 2 years

Thank you!

To **Debbie Owen**, CPS/CAP; **Karen Distelrath**, CPS/CAP; **Nan Finn**, CPS/CAP; and **Vickie Lane**, CPS/CAP who represented our chapter and walked in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. They were joined by **Wanda Heit**, CPS/CAP of our sister chapter, C3.

Congratulations!

To **Christina Dorn**, CPS/CAP who recently achieved the Microsoft Office Specialist, Word 2007 certification.

April Showers Bring May Flowers – Origins of the Rhyme

“April showers bring May flowers.” We’ve all heard this rhyme at some point, usually having been taught it at an early age by our parents or teachers. It’s a popular thing to say and hear around the springtime, but one thing you might not know is where the rhyme originated from. It can be traced back to the mid 1500s, although earlier use of “April showers bring May flowers” may have existed.

In 1557 a gentleman by the name of Thomas Tusser compiled a collection of writings he called *A Hundred Good Points of Husbandry*. In the April Husbandry section he wrote:

Sweet April showers
Do spring May flowers

As you can see, the rhyme was originally a short poem. There is meaning behind the words, as well. “April showers bring May flowers” is a reminder that even the most unpleasant of things, in this case the heavy rains of April, can bring about very enjoyable things indeed – in this case, an abundance of flowers in May. “April showers bring May flowers” is a lesson in patience, and one that remains valid to this day.

Many of life’s greatest things come only to those who wait, and by patiently and happily enduring the clouds and damp of April you can find yourself more easily able to take in the sights and smells of May. After all, it’s easier to love something if you begin with an optimistic outlook!

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- April 12 Fort Myers Chapter Monthly Meeting (see details below)
- April 21 Fort Myers Chapter Board Meeting
- April 27 APOTY & Scholarship Awards Breakfast (contact Christina Dorn, CPS/CAP for reservations)
- May 9 Fort Myers Chapter Annual Meeting (Nomination of Officers)
- June 13 Fort Myers Chapter Monthly Meeting (Installation of Officers)
- June 24-26 Florida Division Annual Meeting, Gainesville (see web site for more information)

Reminder!

APOTY breakfast tickets on sale now — contact Christina Dorn CPS/CAP

Helping Kids Honor Moms

Submitted by Carol Reilly, C3 Member



Mother's Day is Sunday, May 8, and Destiny Ministries is looking for nice, gently-used or new items, gift bags, wrapping paper, and/or tissue for children of low income households

to get a gift for their mom. Donations are also accepted.

The Ministry needs volunteers on Saturday, April 30 (location to be secured) for set up, helping the children pick that special gift, and wrapping.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact destinydiaperlady@yahoo.com or call 910-8198 for details.

Donations or gift drop off is located at 1510 SE 46th Lane, Cape Coral 33904.

DON'T MISS THE APRIL MEETING!

Guest Speaker:

Kyle Cebull, Virtual Chief Information Officer of Entech Computer Services

Modernize with Windows 7 and Office 2010

44th Birthday & Future Members Night!

Prizes for members and their guests.

Special Guest:

Patti Clark, CPS/CAP
Florida Division Vice President



2011 IAAP FM Annual Member Satisfaction Survey

Survey Results

Current Roster: 47 members
 Number of Respondents: 15 members
 Percentage of Respondents: 32%

1. How many IAAP Fort Myers Chapter Meetings did you attend in 2010?

	Response Percent	Response Count
1-4	21.4%	3
4 - 8	14.3%	2
8 - 12	64.3%	9
Answered question		14
Skipped question		1

2. List other IAAP events you attended in 2010, if any. (FL Division Meeting, FLANs, LEC, etc.)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Answered question		11
Skipped question		4

3. Do you find the monthly speaker topics to be of interest?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Occasionally	7.7%	1
Usually	46.2%	6
Always	46.2%	6
Never	0.0%	0
Answered question		13
Skipped question		2

4. Does the IAAP Fort Myers Chapter still meet your current needs? (choose all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes, I feel I get a good value for my membership dues.	71.4%	10
Somewhat – some of my expectations are met.	21.4%	3
No, I no longer feel IAAP benefits my career.	7.1%	1
Answered question		14
Skipped question		1

5. Do you share information regarding IAAP with your peers or others whom you think may be interested?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	92.9%	13
No	7.1%	1
Answered question		14
Skipped question		1

6. Did you volunteer to lead and/or serve on an IAAP committee in 2010?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	73.3%	11
No	26.7%	4
Answered question		15
Skipped question		0

7. Did you participate in community service arranged through IAAP (Civic Committee) in 2010?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	40.0%	6
No	60.0%	9
Answered question		15
Skipped question		0

8. Do you know who the IAAP Fort Myers Chapter Board Members are?

	Response Percent	Response Count
I know, or know where to look for, the name of each Board position and the name of the person currently serving in that role.	80.0%	12
I know who some of the Board members are.	20.0%	3
I have no idea.	0.0%	0
Answered question		15
Skipped question		0

9. What are your favorite things about being a member of the Fort Myers Chapter?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Answered question		14
Skipped question		1

10. Tell us specifically what we can do to improve your experience in the chapter.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Answered question		9
Skipped question		6

Please note that the comments on each of the above survey questions were withheld so that confidentiality could be maintained.

**NEXT ISSUE:
MAY, 2011**

Submit articles by the
20th of the month to
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We're on the Web!

iaap-fortmyers.org

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Chapter Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month
Hilton Garden Inn
Corner College Parkway &
Summerlin Rd.
5:30 pm Networking
6:00 pm Dinner*
7:00 pm Meeting

*Dinner optional (reservations
required)
Cost: \$17 for hot meals
\$15 for salads

Board Meetings

3rd Thursday of each month

All members welcome

5:30 pm

Pitman Hartenstein &
Associates, Inc.
12701 World Plaza Lane,
Suite 80
Fort Myers, FL 33907

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CPS/CAP**

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CPS/CAP**

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**Dianne Reed,
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Director**

**Vickie Lane,
CPS/CAP
President-Elect**

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and while here in Florida our showers tend to come a bit later, remember it's a time of renewal. Think about what you want to grow in the coming chapter year, and get ready for your spring planting!

Ann



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**Pronunciation problems?
No problem!**

Submitted by Shawn Small

February – Just about everyone I know drops the first r in February. The spelling calls for FEB-ROO-AR-Y, not feb-u-ar-y.

accessory – the first C has a “hard” sound. Say AK-SESS-OR-Y, not ass-ess-or-y.

archipelago – Because the word is from Greek, the ch is pronounced with a ‘k’ sound. Say AR-KI-PEL-A-GO, not arch-i-pel-a-go.

aegis – The ae in this word is pronounced ‘ee’. Say EE-JIS, not ay-jis. In mythology the “aegis” is associated with the goddess Athene. It is her shield with the Gorgon’s head on it.

From: IAAP OfficePro