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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Maria Carney CPS, AIS, President

Where has the year gone? Our IAAP year is almost over, and we are preparing to drive to the finish line in New Orleans! The Pennsylvania Division has certainly been *FORWARD MOVING* this year!

Attached to the newsletter is a copy of my delegate report of the 56th Pennsylvania Division Meeting in Wilkes-Barre, PA. All in all, I feel the weekend was a success and one of the best division meetings I have attended. The Wyoming Valley Chapter did an excellent job!

It has been an honor to serve you as your Chapter President for the Presque Isle Chapter. Thank you for being a part of my team. I look forward to working with each of you next year.

Please be sure to join us at the Porreco Center on June 10th for the installation of the new officers for 2008-2009 and the initiation of our new members Maureen, Mary and Jill.

Maria Carney CPS, AIS
2006-2007 President
Presque Isle Chapter





2007-2008 CALENDAR CORNER

June 10, 2008

Chapter Meeting - Porreco Center
Installation of Officers
Initiation of new members

July 27-30, 2008

International Convention and Education Forum, Hilton Riverside, New Orleans, Louisiana -- Hotel reservations open early September 2007

October 19-22, 2008

Certification Conference, Grand River Hyatt Hotel, Denver, Colorado

WQLN AUCTION

The WQLN May Auction is Wednesday, May 28, 2008. The Chapter is scheduled to work first shift from 5:15—8:30.

The following people have donated their time to work at the auction:

Maria Carney
Debbie Hromyak
Roberta Holdsworth
Jan Hutchinson
Mary Seaman
Maureen Deegan
Karen Jendruczak

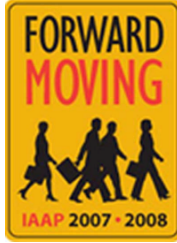
The Chapter is also donating a Presque Isle Chapter - IAAP membership as one of the auction items. This will give us the opportunity to speak about IAAP while working the auction.

We would like as many volunteers as possible to work the auction and promote the Presque Isle Chapter IAAP. Please contact Maria Carney CPS to let her know that you will volunteer.

WQLN will provide dinner for us before the auction begins. Please make time in your busy schedule to participate in this worthy cause.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

There is a new award program being unveiled by International this year called, "Pathways to Excellence." This program, which will go live in mid August, offers awards at all levels, beginning with the individual members. Successful members will receive a certificate for the first four years and a pin in the fifth year. Chapters will receive a podium banner the first year, a year patch, and \$100 cash or \$150 credit toward the IAAP Web community. And great news for the successful chapters participating in the Web community, they will also have the ability to enroll new members directly into their chapter! Division awards are similar to the chapter awards.



PA DIVISION DETAILS

Congratulations to the newly elected Pennsylvania Division Board. The new Pennsylvania Division Officers are:



President Jean Bohinski CPS/CAP

President-Elect Diana Comber

Vice-President Katherine Hoke CPS/CAP

Treasurer Carol Lundgren CPS/CAP

The office of secretary for the Pennsylvania Division Board remains vacant. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact the board.

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A note from the Pennsylvania Division Board to the Western Council A

It has been brought to our attention that some telemarketers are using our Pennsylvania Division Directory as a tool to find names and contact information. These telemarketers have found this information through a "Google" search that ultimately routes them to IAAP chapter sites. Our directory is accessible to them as some chapters have uploaded the directory to an unsecured page on their websites.

All chapters are asked to either move the directory to a secure page or remove it from their website.

Chapter President, Maria Carney CPS, has assured us that the Presque Isle Chapter website is secure.



SUMMER BIRTHDAYS

June

There are no June birthdays.

July

Shirley Cochran 10

August

Shirley Wolff 15

Jan Hutchinson 26

Nancy Kujawinski 27

2008-2009 ELECTED OFFICERS

The 2008-2009 Slate of Officers was elected by general consent at the May 13 meeting. We appreciate the extraordinary dedication being displayed by the following members:

President

Maria Carney CPS, AIS

Vice President

Maureen Deegan

Secretary

Carol Korn

Treasurer

Karen Jendruczak
CPS/CAP

Please join us on June 10, for the installation of the 2008-2009 Presque Isle Chapter officers.

CHAPTER COMMUNICATIONS



The June chapter meeting will be held at the Mary Porreco Hall at Edinboro University in Erie – Porreco Center, 2951 West 38th Street, Erie, PA. You can go to <http://webs.edinboro.edu/pubrel/porreco/porrecomap.asp> for a map and driving directions to the Porreco Center. Join us for our last meeting for the 2007/2008 term, when we will be initiating new members and installing our 2008/2009 officers.

Our June meeting will be a “Tea,” hosted by the Presque Isle Chapter officers. This has become a tradition that our members have come to enjoy, compliments of the 2007/2008 Board. **Don't forget to bring your favorite tea cup and wear your finest hat!**

Please make your reservations with Shirley Cochran at 450-8233 or by email at sjotts@verizon.net.

As we adjourn for summer, please watch for our “Summer News Brief” to see what will be coming up in 2008 -- 2009!

WAYS & MEANS

Debbie Hromyak , Chair

I'd like to thank everyone for supporting our Ways and Means projects throughout the year. We have a very supportive membership and I want you to know it's appreciated.

As June approaches, and we have our last meeting of the year, we also have one last moneymaker for the year. Sue Pancurak, who represents Small Indulgence Jewelry, will be attending our June meeting at the Porreco House with her jewelry line. Our chapter will make 15% of the jewelry sold so bring those purses full of money and help support the Presque Isle Chapter!

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Debbie Bisbee CPS, Chair

At the June 10 meeting, we will be conducting an official initiation ceremony to welcome our newest members, Maureen Deegan, Mary Seaman, and Jill Sznajder. Don't worry—there is no hazing involved! Please add the following contact information to your roster:

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April 2008 Graduate Seeking Employment
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Medical Coding & Billing Diploma

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Presque Isle IAAP

May Meeting at the Anastasia Mansion



Retiree's
Friday Lunch Bunch



Division 2008





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June Dinner Announcement

Tuesday, June 10, 2008

*Mary Porreco Hall
Edinboro University in Erie – Porreco Center
2951 West 38th Street
Erie, PA*

Please join us on Tuesday, June 10, for our annual "Tea Party". Tea will be hosted by the Presque Isle Chapter Officers.

We will be initiating new members and installing our new officers for the 2008/2009 term at this meeting.

Bring your favorite tea cup and wear your finest hat.

June Reservations

There is no dinner fee for this meeting, but reservations are requested. Please contact Shirley Cochran 450-8233, or by email at sjotts@verizon.net.

DELEGATE'S REPORT OF THE PENNSYLVANIA DIVISION MEETING IN WILKES-BARRE, PA

The 56th Pennsylvania Division Annual Meeting was at the Best Western East Mountain Inn & Suites in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania from May 16 – 18, 2008. I attended the division meeting as Presque Isle Chapter's delegate. The theme for the 56th Annual Division Meeting is *Catch the Spirit* and had the opportunity to learn tips that will help us direct our careers and lead our chapters. The professional development seminars included: "Storm Clouds Over Party Shoes, which was followed by an International workshop by Susan Fenner PhD. on "Succession Planning...Looking at the Here After." The excitement continued with the Friday evening Open House which included a Patriotic Picnic with Groovy Group Dancing.

The Saturday business session started bright and early with the introductions, presentation of colors, etc. and welcomes by all dignitaries from IAAP and Wyoming Valley Chapter and Best Western representatives. The keynote speaker was Julie Sidoni, co-anchor of Newswatch 16, "Are You a Rising Star?" We learned a lot about who you are and that each of us are "rising stars" no matter what we may do. Julie gave an excellent presentation.

There were 97 registered attendees by Saturday morning. Reports of officers and committees were given, after which candidates for office were presented and voted upon. They are Jean Bohinski CPS/CAP, President; Diana Comber, President-Elect; Katherine Hoke CPS/CAP, Vice-President; and Carol Lundgren CPS/CAP, Treasurer. The office of secretary remains vacant. No nominations for this office were received. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact the board. The 2009 meeting will be held in King of Prussia, hosted by the Southeast Council Chapters, and the 2010 meeting will be held at Gettysburg, hosted by the South Central Councils. The Pennsylvania Division theme is "Excellence in Action."

The recognition luncheon ran very smoothly. Attached is a copy of the 2007-2008 Pennsylvania Division Annual Award Winners. Presque Isle Chapter won the Newsletter Award. Special thanks to Cassie St. Denny for a wonderful job with our newsletter. There is a Recruiter of the Year Award and Recruiting Chapter of the Year Award, the chapter receives \$100 and it was won by Montgomery County Chapter with 7 new members. The Recruiter member of the year was Diana Comber who recruited 36 members!

The banquet, "Star Spangled Banquet," was excellent as usual, with entertainment by the David Blight School of Dance.

On Sunday morning, registration was down to 91. Susan Fenner, PhD presented a short presentation, "Succession Planning: Begin with The End in Mind." I have a questionnaire for input that the IAAP Board of Directors has been investigating different value statements for our association and they want our input. I will provide the draft value statements given to us at the meeting and they are asking for our ideas and comments. The Division Officers presented a workshop, "The Office." At the end of the meeting during the "Good of the Order," my "Smiling Faces" video was shown. Everyone enjoyed it and some members asked for copies. I hope to continue this in the future so I took a lot of pictures and hope to get additional ones from other members.

By attending the division meeting I received 5 recertification points towards my CPS designation. All in all, I feel the weekend was a success and one of the best division meetings I have attended. The Wyoming Valley Chapter did an excellent job.

Thank you for the opportunity to attend as your delegate for the Presque Isle Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Carney, CPS, AIS

Maria Carney, CPS, AIS
Chapter President



It is hard for me to believe that four years ago I stood before you, expressing my desire to become your next division treasurer. Due to the outstanding succession planning employed by the division, I feel prepared to stand here before you as your next division president. I have had excellent mentors along the way, among them are former board members to whom I owe a great deal of gratitude. I hesitate to begin thanking people because I know I will inadvertently miss someone but, I would be remiss if I didn't thank my fellow members and friends of the Wyoming Valley Chapter for their tremendous support. I would like to give them a round of applause for the great weekend they have worked so hard to share with us. I would also like to thank my family and friends here with me this evening: the man who still makes my heart flutter - my husband Bob, our oldest son Jasen, his wife Kim, the "other man" who makes my heart flutter - their son Darius, our younger son Josh, and his fiancé, Dee. Also here to celebrate this evening is a friend, Sharon Ellis and my boss, Sue Unvarsky, who is a huge supporter of IAAP, me, and my career. Thank you all so much. It means more than you know to have you here on this special evening.

2007 – 2008 has been a stellar year for the Division as President Lyndee Long CPS has encouraged us to "Reach for the Stars." Through her leadership, we have welcomed two new chapters, Cephalon and Susquehanna Valley. We welcome those new members into the Division. Now, we look toward the 2008-2009 year.

My original theme was going to be, "Fueling your career with IAAP." Who would have that that two years ago when I begin researching a theme that gasoline prices would be nudging \$4! This year, to keep in line with the branding of IAAP, International has asked each division and chapter to use the tagline, "Excellence in Action." You will see an example of the logo at tomorrow's business session. What better way to personify "Excellence in Action" than to grow, both professionally and personally through involvement in IAAP?

I do hope this year will be one of growth. Growth not measured by the size of the division or each individual chapter, but measured by each individual's growth -- both professionally and personally. Just as growth often equates to strength, if we grow our membership, we are helping to strengthen individuals as well as our chapters and divisions.

The board will help to provide the support you need to experience this growth and, there are several areas around which we will focus. The first area is leadership training. Unfortunately, this year, the division did not have someone to run for the office of secretary. In order for the chapters and division to survive, we must have members willing to commit to leadership roles. You can be assured that no one expects members to automatically know how to be a leader. Instead, the division is using a very methodical succession planning process to help groom people for leadership positions. The board will offer leadership guidance throughout the year through on-site training, audio calls, and, soon to come- webinars. You will not be expected to “step up to the plate” without the appropriate “bat.” Even if you decide not to fully explore the role of a leader, the skills you will learn along the way will be invaluable.

The second area of focus for the board is education. Education is also a necessary foundation for growth. Each chapter will be encouraged to offer educational programs at chapter meetings. The board will support this endeavor in whatever format is needed including providing ideas, programs, and speakers.

Another important initiative to tell you about is a new award program being unveiled by International this year called, “Pathways to Excellence.” This program, which will go live in mid August, offers awards at all levels, beginning with the individual members. Successful members will receive a certificate for the first four years and a pin in the fifth year. Chapters will receive a podium banner the first year, a year-patch, and \$100 cash or \$150 credit toward the IAAP Web community. And great news - for the successful chapters participating in the Web community, they will also have the ability to enroll new members directly into their chapter! Division awards are similar to the chapter awards.

Participation has a cumulative effect; the more the members succeed, the more beneficial to the chapter and the division. It is in everyone’s best interest to ensure our fellow members excel and, the board will provide assistance along the way. We will be working with you to create an annual business plan that will lay the foundation and provide clear pathways to success. The board will be with you each step of the way.

2008 – 2009 will be an exciting year for IAAP and our members. I’m asking the board - Diana, Cathie, Carol, and myself to consider ourselves as servant leaders for the division. We are board members but we are here to carry out the goals of the larger organization. Together, I know we will create “Excellence in Action.”