

CAPAbilities Update

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From the President's Corner...

I can not believe that the year is half over! It has been such a great experience so far. Thanks to each of you for your attendance at our monthly professional development meetings. I'm pleased to report that attendance at the monthly meetings has increased and hope that those members attending have found the topics to be relevant to our profession and their individual jobs.

I'd also like to thank those dedicated members who have volunteered their time to work on the committees. With their input CAPA's website is back on line (www.capavirginia.org), the *CAPAbilities Update* newsletter is being published, a new polo shirt is being offered by the Sales Committee, and the Social Committee is gathering information for a possible day trip.

We have several events to look forward to in the next six months. We are planning a free half day class in July for CAPA members and 48 have registered to attend; our annual Fall Conference is planned for September and I, personally, am looking forward to a great event; **LaVerne Branch,**

Social Committee Chairperson, will coordinate our December Social and Officer Installation event as our last meeting of the year. In addition, **Jan Giffin**, 2007 Vice-President, and I will travel to Hartford, Connecticut in August for the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing's (NIGP) 62nd Annual Forum and Products Exposition.

Our October and November meeting topics have not been determined yet, so if you have suggestions for topics or speakers, please let me know.

Wow! It has been fun so far and I hope it has for you too. Thanks for all you do in helping to advance the purchasing profession in the Richmond area.

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Professional Development Meeting Highlights



Photo courtesy of Kirby Battle, MWAC

Ashley E. Todd, VCO (left) and CAPA President Donald Colbert discuss June's meeting topic.

Ms. Ashley Todd, VCO, Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation's Procurement & Contract Administrator, took time from her busy schedule to speak with those attending the Professional Develop-

ment meeting on June 19th at the Comfort Inn Conference Center Midtown.

Ms. Todd provided insight into the many aspects of the logistics of planning and executing procurements for the recent 400th Anniversary of the founding of Jamestown and the Queen of England's visit.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Larry Barnes, CPPB, VCO,**
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College (JSRCC)
- Brenda Beattie,** Henrico County Public Schools
- Glenda Browning,** VA Dept. of Motor Vehicles
- Karen Carter,** Virginia Information Technology Agency (VITA)
- Dane R. Davis, CPPB, VCO,** JSRCC
- Fred Haasch, CPPB, VCO,** VA Dept. of Transportation
- Sonja Headley,** VITA
- Sonia Hicks,** VITA
- Krystle D. Hoverstock, VCA,** State Council for High Education in Virginia (SCHEV)
- Nezotte Howard, VCO,** VDOT
- Mary Lou Kastelberg, VCO,** Virginia Commonwealth University
- Lucinda Garwood, VCO,** VDOT
- Trinika Lewis-Wilson, VCA,** SCHEV
- Ann H. Millican,** County of Hanover
- Dale Monahan, VCA,** VA Dept. of Health (VDH)
- Juliet Nisley,** VITA
- Greg Scarce,** VITA
- Jessaka Speight, VCO,** VITA
- Pascale Thomas,** VITA
- Charles Townes,** VITA,
- Tammy Trexler,** VITA
- Geneva Tulasz,** Virginia State Senate
- Shelby Vincent, VCA,** VDH

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Welcome New Members Con't.

Steven K. VonCanon, Dept. of
Environmental Quality
Renee Watson, VCO, JSRCC
Angela Whirley, County of Chesterfield
Lamar Williams, VDOT

Member's Corner

In the May 2007 issue of *CAPAbilities Update* we challenged you to identify one of our current members. How'd you do?

Well for those who couldn't quite figure it out that person was non other than our very own CAPA Past President **Pete Stamps, CPPO, VCO**. Pete, who served as CAPA President in 2005 and is employed as a Procurement Management Account Executive with the Department of General Services' Division of Purchases & Supply (DGS/DPS) Policy Consulting and Review Unit, recently participated in the 22nd Annual Virginia Credit Union "Ride Virginia MS 150 and Family Fun Ride" on June 2nd – 3rd. The event was hosted by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's Central Virginia Chapter as a fundraiser for the organization with one of the events being the MS 150 Bike ride. The two-day 150 mile event consists of bicycling round-trip from Richmond to Colonial Williamsburg. That's right, 150 miles!

Pete reported that while the ride down on Saturday was a little warm (85°) participants awoke on Sunday to a rainy, windy day thanks to the remnants of Tropical Storm Barry which dumped almost 3" of rain on the participants!

While he says he was "pretty much soaked to the gills!!!" he looks forward to participating again next year.

Pete is pleased to announce that the MS Society raised over \$350,000 through participants pledges. He, with a little help from his friends, **Sandra Gill, CPPB, VCO** and **Jan Giffin, CPPB,**

VCO, were able to collect pledges totaling \$1,145.00 on his behalf for this worthy cause. Pete greatly appreciates those CAPA members who contributed pledges to this worthy cause.



Photo courtesy of Sandra Gill
Pete, in (l) and out of cycling attire



*Our deepest condolences go out to **Ron King** whose father recently passed away.*



Announcements

Congratulations!

Be sure to congratulate **Yvette P. Armstead** (Dept. of Social Services), **Sharita L. Bryant** (Dept. of Motor Vehicles), **Rebecca Crabb** (Dept. of Fire Programs), and **Deborah L. Gilliam** (Dept. of Alcoholic Beverage Control) on obtaining their Virginia Contracting Associate's (VCA) certification.

Congratulations also go out to new members **Mary Kastelberg** (VCU) and **Jessaka Speight** (VITA) for obtaining their Virginia Contracting Officer (VCO) certification.

Both the VCA and VCO certification courses are offered by the DGS/DPS' Virginia Institute of Procurement.

For additional information on these

certifications visit
<http://dps.dgs.virginia.gov/training/index.htm>

1/2-day Training Session: "When to Seek Legal Representation"

Thanks to all who registered for the training session being offered July 28th at DMV.

If you have not received your registration confirmation email please contact T.J. Hudson, Education Committee Chairperson, at tjhudson@tax.virginia.gov

Additional Procurement Training Opportunities in Central Virginia

August 4-8th – NIGP (Hartford, CT) – 62nd Annual Forum & Products Exposition
August 14-16th – DGS/DPS (Richmond) – VCA Certification Program
August 14-16th – VAGP (Dept. of Rehabilitative Services (DRS) – Richmond) "Planning, Scheduling and Requirement Analysis
September 10-14th – DGS/DPS (Richmond) VCO Certification Program.
September 14th – VAGP (Henrico County Training Center) – "Protests and Disputes: What's a Buyer to Do?"
September 24-28th – DGS/ DPS (Richmond) VCO Certification Program.
September 26-28th – VAGP (Henrico County Training Center) – "Intro to Public Procurement"
September 28th – CAPA Fall Conference – Additional details forthcoming.

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Training Opportunities Con't.

October 10-12th – VAGP (DRS)

“Legal Aspects of Public Procurement”

October 28-30th – DGS/DPS

(Hampton Roads Convention Center) – 19th Public Procurement Forum

For additional information on registering for any of the training sessions above visit the sponsoring organizations website at:

DGS/DPS: www.eva.virginia.gov

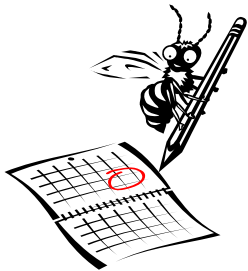
VAGP: www.vagp.org

NIGP: www.nigp.org

Quote of the Month

I am only one,
But still I am one.
I cannot do everything,
But still I can do something.
And because I cannot do everything
I will not refuse to do
the something that I can do.

Edward Everett Hale
American Author, died 1909



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The
CAPA Fall Conference
has been scheduled for
Friday, September 28, 2007
at the
Crowne Plaza Richmond
West

Stay tuned...
more details to follow!

Remember

“.org”!

<http://www.capavirginia.org/>

Commonwealth of Virginia Procurement Related Job Opportunities

The following positions are currently listed on the VA Department of Human Resources website. If you would like additional information on these positions visit www.dhrm.virginia.gov and search the “Job Listings”.

Procurement Advocate – Dept. of Minority Business Enterprise
Procurement Officer I – Dept. of Conservation and Recreation
Procurement Officer I – Virginia State University
Procurement Officer I – Dept. of Housing & Community Development
Procurement Officer II – DGS
Procurement Officer II – VDOT
Procurement Officer III (Procurement Management Account Executive) – DGS
Procurement Officer III (Deputy eVA Business Manager) – DGS
Procurement Officer III - VITA
Procurement Manager II – Dept. of Juvenile Justice
Procurement Manager II – DGS
Procurement Manager II – VDOT

SALES COMMITTEE OFFERING NEW POLO SHIRT

Carrie Robinson, Sales Committee Chairperson, announced during the June Professional Development Meeting that the Sales Committee is offering a new Polo Shirt.

The cornflower blue, short sleeve shirt will feature an embroidered



Photo courtesy of Kirby Battle

Jackie Parsley displays men's shirt style

CAPA logo in gold.

Men's shirts have three buttons at the neck with the women's being a V-neck style.

If you have any additional questions prior to placing your order please contact **Carrie Robinson, CPPB, VCO** (carrie.robinson@dmv.virginia.gov) or **Jackie Parsley, VCO** (Jackie.parsley@dmv.virginia.gov).

To place an order for the new shirt visit the CAPA website to download the order form (<http://www.capavirginia.org/pages/sales.htm>) and send to the address along with your payment.

Order form and payment must be received by July 31, 2007.

Many Thanks

In May's *CAPAbilities Update* I requested a MWAC (Member with a Camera) come forward to serve as CAPA's official photographer at our monthly meetings, training sessions, and social events. CAPA Past Presidents **Kirby Battle, CPPB, VCO** (2006) and **Matt Manion, C.P.M., CPPB, VCO** (2004) both volunteered on an “as available” basis. Now members remember to smile when you see these guys.

Answers to May 2007 Procurement Terminology Crossword Puzzle

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Notes from the Editor....

I'd like to know what you would like to see in future editions of the *CAPAbilities updates* newsletter...

If you have a story idea, update on your agency's/entity's purchasing activities, a CAPA member's success story, or photos of CAPA events (old or new) please forward to **Linda W. Arrington, VCO, CAPAbilities update Editor** (Linda.arrington@dgs.virginia.gov).