

Monday, August 7, 2006

The 2006 International Convention 7 Education Forum was held August 7-10 in Reno, Nevada. The opening business session began at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 7, 2006 after the parliamentarian briefing. The parade of nations was followed by the inspirational message from John Tyson, a local TV broadcaster. The Sierra Nevada Girl Scouts Color Guard presented the colors and the national anthem was performed by Carolyn Lancaster CPS, Valley of the Sierras Chapter.

The report of registration/credentials and the convention rules and agenda was adopted. The report on the nominations was provided. A record 32 candidates for international office and RTF trustee were presented. International President Enlow and Executive Director Bretthauer both provided reports, which are attached.

The Distinguished Chapter President awards were presented and there were six winners from Pennsylvania. Congratulations to: Carol Elek, Pittsburgh; Carol Lundgren CPS/CAP, Clear Penn; Lisa McCook, Wyeth Collegeville; Jackie Cobb, Wyeth Corp. One; Jackie Thompson, Rohm and Hass; Sherry Jenakovich CPS, Mount Nittany.

Congratulations to the Beaver Valley Chapter who won the Colonel Waring Award for the largest per member contribution and the International Board's award for largest contribution for chapters with 1-25 members.

Tuesday, August 8, 2006

The keynote speaker on Tuesday, August 8th, was Erik Wahl. Erik's presentation was "The Art of vision." This was a perfect fit to President Enlow's theme and gave us great information on creativity, vision and untapping your full potential. He created two works of art in front of us and the one (the face of the Statute of Liberty) was raffled off to benefit Habitat for Humanity in New Orleans. A member from Canada won the painting and donated it to be displayed in the IAAP Headquarters building. The total number of registered attendees on Tuesday morning was 1,799.

Treasurer Shamali presented her report and IAAP ended the year with a slight shortfall of \$400. The Bylaws and Standing Rules committee presented their report. The proposed standing rule amendment was withdrawn. Proposed Amendments 1, 2, and 4 passed. Proposed Amendment 3 failed. I have copies of these amendments available for your review.

Karen and I both attended the Certification lunch. The keynote speaker was Kelli Vrla who spoke about the Journey of Achievement: Above & Beyond, Over & Through.

There was a reballoting for Secretary. The 2006-2007 International Board is:

Sandra Chandler CPS, President
Judy McCoy CPS/CAP, President-Elect
Tia Theriaque CAP, Vice President
Barb Horton CAP, Secretary
Susan Shamali CPS/CAP, Treasurer

The RTF Trustees are:

Barbara G. Carter CPS/CAP
Janine Riemersma CPS/CAP
Linda Cook CPS/CAP
C. Joyce Hawkins CPS/CAP
And by virtue of their office, Sandra Chandler CPS and Susan Shamali CPS/CAP

Wednesday, August 9, 2006

The business session on Wednesday included the installation of the new officers and a review of the strategic plan for 2006-2010. I have attached the details for your review.

The Northeast District Director is Marie (Gerry) Brunell CPS/CAP of the Greater New England Division.

The 2007 convention will be held in Tampa, Florida at the Tampa Convention Center July 29 through August 1. The 2012 site will be at the Gaylord Texan Resort in Grapevine, Texas.

Our first session of workshops began on Wednesday. The Pennsylvania Division dinner was held this evening at the Macaroni Grill.

Thursday, August 10, 2006

Thursday included a full day of seminars and ended with the banquet. Kathy O'Connor CAP past Division President received two awards for membership. Linda Lorden CPS, Northeast Director also received the award for membership.

Final registration was 1,842. President Chandler's theme for 2006-2007 is "Shaping the Future".

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your delegate.

Respectfully Submitted by Maria Carney CPS, AIS