



# The Southern Edge



The Monthly Newsletter of the South Suburban Chapter of IAAP

May 2009

## South Suburban Chapter Annual Meeting Tuesday, May 26, 2009

The end of our 2008-2009 Chapter Year is fast approaching, and our Annual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, 2009. This is your opportunity to elect new officers for 2009-2010.

The South Suburban Chapter Nominating Committee has prepared the slate of candidates listed below. You are voting for officer positions only.

Officer candidates for the South Suburban Chapter 2009-2010 year:



President	Sharon Kelsey (Automatic Succession)
President-Elect	Michelle Prosch
Vice President	LeAnn Marshall
Secretary	Gayle Quedens
Treasurer	Candy Retka (Automatic Succession)
Treasurer-Elect	Melissa Thomas CPS/CAP

Mark your calendars and plan on attending. We must have a quorum to conduct chapter business, which includes the election of officers. Please be there for this important meeting.

RSVP by **NOON, Friday, May 22, 2009**, to Candy Retka at 952.469.4633, cretka@frontiernet.net or (fax) 952.469.4634.

Meetings are held at:  
 Old Chicago – The Cedar Room  
 14998 Glazier Avenue  
 Apple Valley, MN  
 5:30 p.m. Networking  
 6:00 p.m. Dinner  
 6:30 p.m. Business Meeting  
 Cost is **\$20.00**

***This is your chapter  
and its future depends  
on YOU!***

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## 2008-2009 Programs

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*Programs subject to change.*

September 23	Voice and Presentation Skills Employing Theater Techniques (Holly Collison, Guthrie Theatre)
October 28	Why You Need to Learn Self- Defense (Keno Ask)
November 25	Planning and Executing Successful Meetings / Events in Today's Economy (Rosealee Lee)
December	2008 IAAP Metro Area Holiday Social
January 27	Getting More Done with Less Stress Smead Organomics – Ideas that Make Work Easier (Lon Hembree)
February 24	Getting Excel to Sing and Dance (Maureen Steinwall, Ph.D.)
March 24	Dressing for the Workplace (Royalee Rhodes, Store Manager, Christopher & Banks)
April 28	Open House & Vendor Show
May 26	South Suburban Chapter Annual Meeting
June 23	Getting and Keeping a Great Job During a Recession (Joanne Meehl)

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## A Message from your President

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*Submitted by Dee Moy  
South Suburban Chapter President*

I can't believe that it is already May and that we are looking at electing new officers for the 2009-2010 season. That means that my time as your President is almost up. It has been a wonderful experience and I am grateful for having had the opportunity to be your President for the last year and a half.

I have learned a lot about our members, Chapter, Division and International Association. I have made many, many new friends and look forward to a long and lasting relationship with all of them. This is one of the most caring and wonderful groups of people I have ever had the pleasure of being a part of.

It will be nice to step back and let someone else take over, but yet I know I will miss being your President. I look forward to being an advisor to the new Board and hope that they enjoy their time in office as I have enjoyed mine.

Thank you South Suburban Members for everything.

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## Opportunity and Investment

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*Submitted by Sharon Kelsey*

In July we each have an excellent opportunity to invest in ourselves.

The International Education Forum and Annual Meeting is being held at the Minneapolis Convention Center this year from July 26 – 29, 2009. This is the perfect time to attend the International meeting. The meeting is held in different cities each year. Consequently there are transportation and lodging costs in addition to the registration to attend. This year we all have the advantage of minimal cost in comparison to other years. IAAP members can register for the Full Meeting Package by June 5 at the reduced rate of \$495.

This will be my first year attending this International meeting. I understand from those who have been attending for years, they come away with new information, re-energized professionally and personally, and renewed enthusiasm each time they attend.

Detailed information about the International meeting is found on the International IAAP website. The website address is <http://www.iaap-hq.org>. The menu choice "Events" will get you to the area that links to more information for the International Education Forum. Make plans now to invest in yourself and register early to attend the International Education Forum and Annual Meeting. I hope I will see you there.



We make our world significant by  
the courage of our questions and  
by the depth of our answers.

--Carl Sagan

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## Spring Plant Sale

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*Submitted by Bev Staudinger, Chair*

Thank you all for your strong sales this year. For this sale we added even more new items—large selection of individually potted plants, bedding plants, and filler grasses; it was a huge success. We sold 122 baskets/tubs, 156 individual potted plants, 177 filler plants, 69 flats of bedding plants, and three gift cards for a profit of \$918.13. Congratulations! Your effort in this sale helps to bring funds into our Chapter. And, it really makes a difference.

Special thanks to our top sellers:

Deb Sabo	\$1,447.00 in sales
Linda Wittmann CAP	\$821.00 in sales
Linda Plaisance CPS/CAP	\$336.00 in sales

Prizes will be awarded to these top saleswomen at our May meeting.

A group of enthusiastic women have made a number of neck scarves for sale at the Division Meeting in May. We have had some pre-sales and have collected \$90 for the neck scarves sold.

### **Ways and Means Committee Members:**

Bev Staudinger – bev.staudinger@thomson.com  
Candy Retka - cretka@frontiernet.net  
Deb Sabo – dsabo@abcominc.com  
Linda Gilmore – lgilmore@nathcompanies.com  
Linda Wittmann – linda.wittmann@charter.net  
Roberta Zylla – rczylla@msn.com

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## International IAAP Proposed Bylaws Amendments

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*Submitted by Sharon Kelsey*

Why do we even think about the International IAAP Bylaws and Standing Rules? Isn't it enough to keep up with our Chapter Bylaws and Standing Rules?

No. We also need to pay attention to our International Bylaws and Standing Rules. Since we are part of the International IAAP organization, the International Bylaws and Standing Rules affect us, are our responsibility, and we provide our opinions regarding them to our International Annual Meeting delegate.

This year there are eight proposed amendments to the International Bylaws and one proposed amendment to the Standing Rules. We will highlight these more at our Chapter Annual Meeting on May 26. In the meantime, you may want to review the proposed amendments before our Chapter Annual Meeting. The proposed amendments are available on the International IAAP website, and there is a file attached with this newsletter (2009ProposedBSR.pdf).

Please pay particular attention to Proposed Amendment 1. This amendment is for an increase in the International portion of member dues. It affects each of us directly. I have the privilege and responsibility of attending the International Annual Meeting as our Chapter Delegate. My vote on each of the proposed amendments is based on your opinions and wishes. I already know my opinion, and I've already heard an opinion from some of our Chapter members. Please let me know yours and assist me in doing the best job possible in representing our Chapter.

### **You know you're living in 2009 when...**

1. You accidentally enter your pin on the microwave.
2. You haven't played solitaire with real cards in years.
3. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
4. You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.
5. Your reason for not staying in touch with friends and family is that they don't have e-mail addresses.
6. You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home to help you carry in the groceries.
7. Every commercial on television has a website at the bottom of the screen.
8. Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you didn't even have the first 20, 30 or 60 years of your life, is now a cause for panic and you turn around to go and get it.



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### Open House & Vendor Show – Success!

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*Submitted by Lisa Hogan CPS*

I would like to recognize and thank all of you who helped make our Open House and Vendor Show a success by volunteering to coordinate the various aspects of the event and play an important role as ambassadors for our Chapter as well as thank you to our vendors. We will be adding six new members to our Chapter because of your passion and enthusiasm for our profession.



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|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Marcia Beltz            | Denise Kulig            | Candy Retka        |
| Teresa Dambowy CFM, CPS | LeAnn Marshall          | Deb Sabo           |
| Ruth Ann Deeg           | Dee Moy                 | Bev Staudinger     |
| Erin Duncan             | LuAnn Munger            | Hallie Warren      |
| Linda Gilmore CPS       | Linda Plaisance CPS/CAP | Linda Wittmann CAP |
| Sharon Kelsey           | Michelle Prosch         | Juva Wolfe         |
| Charlotte Kodner        | Candy Retka             | Kim Wengenroth     |
|                         |                         | Robertz Zylla      |



There were seven confirmed guests for the evening; however, due to notices submitted to the local community papers and members sharing the flyer with co-workers and friends, we enjoyed networking with several more including students from the Dakota County Technical College (DCTC). I am happy to share that President Dee Moy will be installing one professional membership and five student memberships. This is truly an exciting time for our Chapter.



Last, but certainly not least, a BIG THANK YOU to Carrie Herbeck-Banquet Manager, Nick, and Old Chicago for sponsoring the evening and providing the appetizers.

***Excellence in Action...the possibilities are endless!***



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## Sneak Preview of the June Chapter Meeting

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This is a meeting you don't want to miss! If you have a friend or relative who is seeking employment, be sure to invite them to attend.

Our June meeting will be ***Getting and Keeping a Great Job During a Recession*** presented by Joanne Meehl. In this program Joanne will talk about how you can point out to a potential employer your VALUE to them. She gives generous tips on the do's and don'ts of today's resume. She talks about networking, whether you're employed or between jobs, and she gives insights about interviewing. It is a fact-packed hour-long talk that will change your way of thinking about your job search.

Always lively and interactive, upbeat and educational, Joanne Meehl will give you what you need to shake up your search. You'll get a helpful handout and will be able to choose from several other info sheets about resumes, interviewing, and job search.

Joanne Meehl heads her own career consulting practice, working with clients who are professionals at all levels and in all fields. She helps increase the success of people at any career level: individual contributors or manager through C-level executives.

Joanne has been a college career center director, a state Career Center counselor and a career consultant for the outplacement firm Lee Hecht Harrison. She also enjoyed two corporate stints that taught her about the inner workings of companies that she still applies today: she sold computer networks for Xerox and worked with software engineers as a technical writer. It was during her job at the state Career Center that a colleague first called her "the resume queen." Since then, that nickname has become "the job search queen," better reflecting all the services she provides.

Joanne is the author of *The Resume Queen's Job Search Thesaurus and Career Guide for Professionals* (2007). She has a BA in English, an MS in Counseling and several certifications in the career coaching field.



[www.TheJobSearchQueen.com](http://www.TheJobSearchQueen.com)

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### 2008-2009 Officers

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President Dee Moy  
President-Elect Sharon Kelsey  
Vice President Michelle Prosch  
Secretary Hallie Warren  
Treasurer Linda Wittmann CAP  
Treasurer-Elect Candy Retka



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### 2008-2009 Committees

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If you are interested in joining a committee, please know you can join at anytime! Please contact the Committee Chair or Chapter President, Dee Moy.

#### Bylaws & Standing Rules

Chair: Sharon Kelsey  
Members: Lisa Hogan CPS  
LeAnn Marshall

#### Certification

Chair: Ruth Ann Deeg  
Members: Charlotte Kodner

#### Employment

Chair: Melissa Thomas CPS/CAP  
Members: Erin Duncan CPS

#### Historian

Chair: Michelle Prosch  
Members: Open

#### Hospitality

Chair: Candy Retka  
Members: Lori Larson CPS/CAP  
Deb Sabo  
Linda Wittmann CAP

### 2008-2009 Committees continued

#### Incentive Award (not available this year)

Chair: Denise Kulig  
Members: Sharon Bright  
Kim Wengenroth

#### Membership

Chair: Robbie Groth  
Members: Linda Gilmore CPS, Advisor

#### Newsletter

Chair: Linda Plaisance CPS/CAP  
Members: Lori Larson CPS/CAP  
Babs Moses

#### Nominating

Chair: Dee Moy  
Members: LuAnn Munger

#### Open House

Chair: Lisa Hogan CPS  
Members: Marcia Beltz  
Linda Gilmore CPS, Advisor  
LuAnn Munger

#### Program

Chairs: Teresa Dambowy CPS, CFM  
Members: Linda Gilmore CPS  
Sue Rue

#### Ways & Means

Chair: Bev Staudinger  
Members: Linda Gilmore CPS  
Deb Sabo  
Candy Retka  
Linda Wittmann CAP  
Roberta Zylla

#### Web Master

Chair: Lisa Hogan CPS  
Members: Open

Mentoring Part of Membership—No Chair needed.  
Do not need to be part of Membership to Mentor.

Marcia Beltz  
Linda Gilmore CPS  
Linda Plaisance CPS/CAP  
Deb Sabo  
Bev Staudinger  
Linda Wittmann CAP

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## Happy Birthday!

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The South Suburban Chapter would like to wish a very happy birthday to the following members:

Charlotte Kodner	May 6
Irene Moe CPS	May 6
Sharon Bright	May 6
Sharon Kelsey	May 6
Carlene Moberg-Taheri	May 15
LeAnn Marshall	May 24

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## Happy IAAP Anniversary!

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The South Suburban Chapter would like to congratulate the following chapter members on their anniversaries with IAAP!



Irene Moe CPS	12 years
Ruth Ann Deeg	9 years
Marcia Beltz	7 years
Sharon Kelsey	6 years
Patricia Radke CPS/CAP	5 years
Kimberly Wengenroth	4 years
Denise Kulig	1 year
Erin Duncan CPS/CAP	1 year
Susan Rue	1 year

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, we apologize and ask that you notify Linda Plaisance at [linda.l.plaisance@hotmail.com](mailto:linda.l.plaisance@hotmail.com) for inclusion in future issues of *The Southern Edge*.

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## Don't Forget Your Online Resources!

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IAAP Headquarters [www.iaap-hq.org](http://www.iaap-hq.org)

MN-ND-SD Division website [www.iaap-mnndsd-division.org](http://www.iaap-mnndsd-division.org)

And don't forget us at South Suburban IAAP  
[www.southsuburbaniaap.org](http://www.southsuburbaniaap.org)

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## Upcoming Events

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May 1-2	CPS/CAP Exam
May 15-17	2009 MN-ND-SD Division Annual Meeting, Rochester, MN
May 19	South Suburban Board Meeting
May 26	South Suburban Chapter Annual Meeting
June 16	South Suburban Board Meeting
June 23	South Suburban Chapter Meeting
July	International Educational & Annual Meeting

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## Correspondence

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If a card needs to be sent, please let me know and I will be happy to send it. You can contact me at:



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## Newsletter Article Deadline

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Please contact Linda Plaisance at [linda.l.plaisance@hotmail.com](mailto:linda.l.plaisance@hotmail.com) with your newsletter ideas and articles.

The deadline for the June issue is: **Friday, June 5, 2009**

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