



# SouthWest Metro News

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## August Social- Boat Cruise

Join in on the **August Fun Event** being held on August 23, 2007

A cruise on Lake Minnetonka with Paradise Charter Cruises

**6:00 PM to 9:00 PM**

The cost is **\$25.00** per person. Food is included in the price but drinks are not.

**Bring a guest or two**

Minimum of 40 people and a maximum of 60

**For the boat cruise entertainment will be provided by "Costello and Hipps"**. Pat Costello and Tom Hipps. They play coffee house type music with guitar, keyboard and vocals.

Please RSVP to:  
Jean Allen, President  
Or

Luanne Jorgensen CPS/CAP



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## From the President

My year as your President began on July 1, 2007 and it has been an exciting time since January 2007 preparing for this coming year. I am so pleased with the Board of Directors I have to work with as well as all of the members who are volunteering their time to be on committees.

### Upcoming Events:

1. We have the Lake Minnetonka Boat cruise coming up in August, which will be a great networking opportunity as well as a social event. If you are planning on attending please get your reservation in as it is filling up fast.
2. The September Chapter Meeting speaker will be Erin O'Hara Meyer, speaking on Building a Reputation of Excellence. *What a great way to start our year!*
3. Our Open House and Vendor Show will be held on October 18, 2007. Two of our members who joined our chapter at last year's show are co-hosting the committee, so we will have fresh, new ideas for this event.
4. We are planning a live auction in December with a member from another chapter as the auctioneer.

The Board is holding their regularly scheduled monthly meetings during July and August so when we get to the chapter meeting in September, we will be ready to start the year off with great excitement and enthusiasm!

The goals that have been set for the 2007-2008 year are:

1. Retain current members and install 20 new members.
2. Continue to improve and refine our Membership Orientation Program
3. Build an effective Mentor Program

I ask that each of you get on board with these goals, as you help us accomplish them.

My theme for this year is Communication. It is my belief that with open and honest communication we can build our trust and acceptance of each other and have just a fun year learning and sharing.

If I had an office I would have an open door policy. Your concerns are my concerns and the Board of Directors and I will strive to always act in your best interest.

*If I don't see you on the lake, I hope to see you all in September.*

Respectfully yours,

Jean Allen  
612-789-0019

## Board Meeting

The next chapter board meeting will be held Thursday, August 9, at 6:00 pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Bloomington. All members are invited to attend the board meeting, but Board Members and Committee Chairs are required to be in attendance.

### Sunshine Committee:

Please send all card requests to [Gloria Seeger CPS](#).

Cards sent: Gloria Seeger CPS – Get Well (thank you!)  
Cheri Wright – Sympathy  
Luanne Jorgensen CPS/CAP – Thinking of You

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### Community Service Committee:

The goal of the Community Service Committee is to assist people in need in the Richfield, Bloomington, Eden Prairie and Edina areas. If you have any suggestions for the upcoming year, please e-mail [Kathy at kathleen.m.kelash@seagate.com](mailto:kathleen.m.kelash@seagate.com).

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### Ways and Means Committee:

Ways and Means will be selling books this year as one of our chapter's fundraisers. If you have any books from your summer reading that you would like to donate, you can bring them to the September meeting or give one of the committee members a call and we can pick them up from you.

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A special thank you to the Crowne Plaza Hotel located at: 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington, MN 55437. You can contact Mark Mah, Crowne Meetings Director at 952-345-1242 or the hotel directly at 952-831-8000.

## Chapter Incentive Award Recipient Report

The MN-ND-SD Annual Division meeting began on Friday, May 18, 2007 with registration and networking followed by a seminar titled "Living Without Limits" by Judy Siegle. She gave us new perspectives in living life to the fullest, discovering GREATER meaning in daily living.

The host chapter, Red River in Fargo, ND, was celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary so the theme for the evening was the 1950's complete with costumed attendees, soda fountain, jukebox and a 1960 Thunderbird. There were bubble gum blowing, Frisbee, trivia and talent contests. The SouthWest Metro attendees (Jean Allen, Jennifer DeJong CAP, Gloria Oveson CPS/CAP, Renee Raun CPS/CAP, Jan Rice CPS/CAP, Char Wilkinson CPS and myself) were in the talent contest singing Elvis Presley's song "Don't Be Cruel".....we had a blast!!!

On Saturday morning the business meetings started and Jodee Bock gave a presentation on "The 100% Factor, Living your Capacity, at the certification luncheon, after which the business meeting continued. At the business meeting there was a call for a bid on the 2009 and 2010 annual meetings. The SouthWest Metro chapter put a bid in to host the 2010 division annual meeting and we were approved.

On Saturday evening there was the banquet, installation of the 2007-2008 division officers, and awards ceremony followed by entertainment with dancing to a DJ. The two young gentlemen from the student chapter at the Minnesota Business College were a great addition to the evenings networking.

After breakfast on Sunday Nita Nurmi stepped in when the scheduled speaker was too ill to attend and did a wonderful job.

The Red River Chapter did an outstanding job of planning and hosting the Division Annual Conference and I want to thank all of you at SouthWest Metro Chapter for giving me the opportunity to attend my first ever MN-ND-SD Division Annual meeting. It allowed me to broaden my skills and meet wonderful people and I won the 'SPIRIT' ribbon!!!!

Yes, I've got the SPIRIT!

Respectfully submitted: Lisa Kennan



## International News:

### **International Board of Directors**

President: Judy McCoy CPS/CAP  
Bellingham Chapter (WA)

President-Elect: Tia Theriaque CPS/CAP  
District of Columbia Chapter

Vice President: Barb Horton CAP  
Vancouver Chapter, Canada

Secretary: Susan Shamali CPS/CAP  
Grand Rapids Chapter, MI

Treasurer: Mary Ramsay-Drow CPS/CAP  
Milwaukee Chapter, WI



Chair: Janine Riemersma CPS/CAP  
Grand Rapids Chapter, MI

Trustees: Barbara Carter CPS/CAP  
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C. Joyce Hawkins CPS/CAP  
St Louis Chapter, MO

Kathryne Hampton CPS/CAP  
Calgary Chapter, Canada

### **District Directors**

Canada: Katherine Ann Fogal CPS/CAP  
Quintus Chapter, Ontario, Canada

Great Lakes: Sam Gill III CPS  
Tri-County Chapter, MI

Northeast: Marie "Gerry" Brunell CPS/CAP  
Crossroads Chapter, MA

Northwest: Teresa Bennett CPS  
HP Boise Chapter, ID

Southeast: Tamra Goodall CPS/CAP  
Charleston Chapter, WV

Southwest: Karlana Rannals CPS/CAP  
Palomar Chapter, CA

International: At this time there is no candidate  
for International Affiliate

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See [Events and Conferences](#) on the IAAP website for latest event news and updates.



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SouthWest Metro: [www.iaap-swmetro.org](http://www.iaap-swmetro.org)

### **International Convention and Education Forum**

2008	New Orleans, LA
2009	Minneapolis, MN
2010	Boston, MA
2011	Quebec, Ottawa
2012	Grapevine, TX
2013	Anaheim, CA

We encourage each of you to take advantage of the **IAAP Connections newsletter** that is sent via e-mail and posted on the headquarters website.

### MN-ND-SD Division:



A dream is a vision of a wonderful possibility, painted on the canvas of imagination. To make a dream come true, you must believe in it with heart and soul.

You must-

- see the possibility in the dream
- freely use the power in the dream
- use obstacles as stepping stones
  - find usefulness in adversity
- harvest energy and direction from the process of making the dream come true

Become one with your dream

#### Goals for 2007-2008

**Goal #1 - Increase MN-ND-SD Division membership by 8%**

**Goal #2 - Add at least 1 new Professional chapter**

**Goal #3 - Add at least 1 new Student chapter**

**Goal #4 - Provide tools to assist membership in achievement of individual "Dreams"**

### Division Board

**President:** [Nita Nurmi CPS/CAP](#)  
Crow River Chapter  
Hutchinson, MN

**President-Elect:** [Kristi Rotvold CPS/CAP](#)  
Red River Chapter  
Fargo, ND

**Secretary:** [Brenda Jindra](#)  
Brainerd Chapter  
Brainerd, MN

**Treasurer:** [Joan Gatzmeyer CPS/CAP](#)  
TwinCities West Chapter  
Plymouth, MN

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No August Birthdays to report

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**August:**  
Cindy Wolf- 3 years  
Barbara Anderson – 2 years  
OfficeTeam – 1 year

*If we missed your birthday or anniversary, we apologize, and ask that you update your personal information in the "Members Only" section on the website.*

## Chapter Committees:

**Bylaws & Standing Rules:** Chair- Char Wilkinson CPS; Members: Gloria Oveson CPS/CAP, Luanne Jorgensen CPS/CAP

**Certification:** Chair- Judy Twisk CPS; Member: Dar Numan-Fortier

**Community Service:** Chair- Kathy Kelash; Members: Marti Clabo

**Historian:** Chair- Sarah Selvig

**Hospitality:** Chair- Judy McCallion; Member: Dee Woychick CPS, Dorothy Hruska, Cindy Wolf

**Membership:** Chair- Open; Member: Sandy Menning

**Newsletter:** Chair- Jennifer DeJong CAP; Proofreaders: Gloria Seeger CPS, Char Wilkinson CPS

**Nominating:** (Immediate Past President serves as chair) Gloria Oveson CPS/CAP

**Open House & Vendor Show:** Co-Chairs- Dar Numan-Fortier and Janean Numan-Fortier; Members: Marvel Thorne, Kathy Kelash, Marion Luft, Judy McCallion, Renee Raun CPS/CAP

**Programs & Education:** Co-Chair- Sandy Menning and Char Wilkinson CPS; Members: Lisa Keenan

**Public Relations:** Chair- Samantha Blanchard

**Sunshine:** Chair- Gloria Seeger CPS

**Ways & Means:** Chair- Marvel Thorne; Member: Diane Chapman CPS, Cheri Wright

**Website:** Chair- Janean Nurman-Fortier; Advisor: Renee Raun CPS/CAP

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## Upcoming Events

**September 13 – SWM Board Meeting**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**September 20 – SWM Chapter**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**October 11 – SWM Board Meeting**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**October 18 – Open House & Vendor Show**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**November 8 – SWM Board Meeting**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**November 15 – SWM Chapter**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**December 6 – SWM Board Meeting**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

**December 13 – SWM Chapter**  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive, Bloomington

## 2007-2008 Programs SouthWest Metro Chapter IAAP

<b>Sept 20, '07</b>	<b>"Building a Reputation of Excellence" *</b> Erin O'Hara Meyer
<b>Oct 18, '07</b>	<b>Open House/Vendor Show</b>
<b>Nov 15, '07</b>	<b>"Team/Trust Building" *</b> Janie Jasin
<b>Dec 13, '07</b>	<b>Live Auction and Holiday Social</b> <b>Auctioneer: Brenda Shaw (City of Lakes Chapter)</b>
<b>Jan 17, '08</b>	<b>"Communication" *</b> Lori Spangler, Senior Training Consultant for Deluxe Financial Services
<b>Feb 21, '08</b>	<b>"Software Tips &amp; Tricks: focus on Excel" *</b>
<b>Mar 20, '08</b>	<b>"Meeting Management"</b> Bloomington Visitors and Convention Bureau
<b>Apr 17, '08</b>	<b>"Making the Cut and Staying the Course" *</b> Judy Zimmer
<b>May 8, '08</b>	<b>Chapter Annual Meeting / Election of Officers</b>
<b>Jun 19, '08</b>	<b>Strategic Planning Meeting / Installation of Officers / Awards Banquet</b>

\* CPS/CAP re-certification points have been applied for.

Meetings are held the third Thursday of every month at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 5401 Green Valley Drive (Highway 494 & Highway 100), Bloomington MN 55437.

Registration includes meeting, program and dinner: IAAP members \$20; non-members \$25.

For more information about any of these programs, contact [Jean Allen](#) or visit [www.iaap-swmetro.org](http://www.iaap-swmetro.org) for the most current event schedule; these programs may be subject to change.

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Please contact the editor with any ideas or articles.