

Capital Event

President's Message

Amy Brown, CGMP



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Remember SGMP is here to serve you, so "Connect to Government meetings Plug into SGMP"!

Please do not hesitate to e-mail me amy.brown@freshfromflorida.com or call me (850) 617-7510 with any of your suggestions, questions or concerns.

SPONSOR – Nancy Fischer, Visit Gainesville

Nancy Fischer from Visit Gainesville was our sponsor for the luncheon held at the San Luis Mission. Outside in the courtyard, Klassic Katering started us out with mocktails and a delicious hummus spread with pita bread chips. Soft music was provided by Take Two, a flute and guitar duo. Klassic Katering continued inside with a greens and fruit salad followed with a wonderful chicken dish, wild rice, green beans, rolls, and cake. What a treat with a beautiful center piece on each table provided by A Touch of Class Florist. We want to thank each of you for the wonderful food, music, and beauty which made for a wonderful setting.

Getting the Most ROI from your SGMP Membership: Navigating the SGMP Website and GMS Presentation by Maggie McGowen, National Board

SGMP members have a unique place in the meetings and hospitality industry. Our position as a planner or supplier gives us a one of a kind perspective to how governments are allowed to do business. We were shown how to navigate the SGMP website in order to take full advantage of the full functionality. We were introduced to the new chapter based certificate program "Government Meeting Specialist" and how to further increase our personal and professional ROI.

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SPONSOR (above) Nancy Fischer Visit Gainesville

SPEAKER (below center) Maggie McGowen Jennifer Anderson (left) Amy Brown (right)



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SGMP Board

Amy Brown President

Ellen Sliger, CGMP Immediate Past President

> Chris Schuh First VP

Janet Roach, CGMP Second VP

> Buenita Lee Secretary

Karen Lambert Treasurer

Directors: Retha Nero, CGMP John Read Lydia Southwell

Monthly Board Meetings

The Board meets the same day and place as the membership meeting beginning at 4:30 pm. Members are welcome to attend, and minutes are available upon request.

Membership Report

September Report 57.9% Planners 42.1% Suppliers Planners – 62 Suppliers – 45

Looking Ahead

November 13 Meeting At the Hotel Duval

National Conference 2013 Orlando, FL 2014 Portland, OR 2015 Minneapolis, MN

PACT Recipients Congratulations to our PACT Recipients! P – Participation, A – Attendance, C – Commitment, T – Time

Volunteer within the Chapter to earn points towards your PACT Pin Danglers. Everything you do for the chapter is awarded with points towards the Member Enhancement Program.

Below (left) Amy Brown with Kathleen Richards receiving her Level One Dangler, RED with 125 points





Above (left) Amy Brown with John Read (right) receiving his Level One Dangler, RED with 125 points

Left (left to right) Amy Brown with Retha Nero, receiving her Level Three Dangler, WHITE with 700 points

Sharon Gray also received her Level One Dangler, RED with 125 points. (no picture)

Committee Chairs

Community Service, Gloria Marion-Smith; Honors & Awards, Jenean Chavey; Membership, Lydia Southwell; National Conference, Ray Lowe; Programs, Jennifer Anderson; Publications, Arlene Roberts; Special Events, Faith Clarke; Sponsorship, Arlene Roberts; Marketing, Gabrielle Gabrielli, PhD