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Capital Event

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Above - Amy Brown with Dos and Don"ts

Below left Jennifer Anderson presenting certificate to Amy Brown on right



President's Message

Amy Brown, CGMP



The Annual Silent/Live Auction will be held on Tuesday, August 14th, 2012 at the DoubleTree Tallahassee in Tallahassee, beginning at 5:00 PM. Please join us for a night of networking, shopping, and raising funds for SGMP Florida Capital Chapter. The purpose of this event is to provide educational monthly programs and scholarships for members to attend educational conferences.

This year, s silent auction event will be sponsored by the DoubleTree Tallahassee. Thanks to Michele Thomas for her support of our chapter and this fundraising event. Please RSVP on the website at <u>http://www.sgmpfl.org/</u>

I had the pleasure of presenting at our July meeting "Dos and Don'ts when dealing with Government Agencies". Attendees learned through an interactive program that covered the following:

- The Definition of Ethics
- SGMP Code of Ethics
- Websites dealing with Ethics
- What the Office of Government Ethics does
- What a Prohibited Source is and what a State-Regulated Entity is
- Gifts (what Federal and State employees can or cannot accept)
- Conflicts of Interest

We ended with an Ethics Quiz and a reminder to check with your government agency's policy regarding ethics. Ethical Policies can vary depending on what government agency you work for.

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

Please do not hesitate to e-mail me <u>Amy.Brown@freshfromflorida.com</u> or call me (850) 617-7510 with any of your suggestions, questions or concerns.

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> Buenita Lee Secretary

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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

July Report 57.8% Planners 42.2% Suppliers Planners – 63 Suppliers – 46

Looking Ahead

August 14 Annual Auction

September 16-19 SE Regional Conference

Four Points Tallahassee Downtown

Thank you to our sponsor for the evening, the Four Points Tallahassee Downtown. They displayed a white on white

Caroll Ortego



PACT Points Awarded

Congratulations to Janice Harris and Buenita Lee receiving their **RED** danglers for their volunteer work in the chapter.

Arlene Roberts (left), Janice Harris (right)

Arlene Roberts (left), Buenita Lee (right)





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

Our Regional Conference Charity is the Ronald McDonald House of Mobile

The SREC committee annually selects a charity from the conference community in order to give back to the conference location community. This year we have selected the Ronald McDonald house of Mobile http://www.rmhcmobile.org/ as our conference charity.

The mission of the Ronald McDonald House is to be a welcoming home that serves families of seriously ill and injured children who are receiving medical treatment at area hospitals. Their home satisfies families "needs and provides quality of life without compromising personal dignity. Their home allows staff, volunteers and board members personal satisfaction in an atmosphere of trust, respect and the highest ethical standards.

They are in need of monetary donations and items listed on the "wish list". Please help this worthy cause with your generous donations.

Thank you so much for your support of our conference charity.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Amy Brown, CGMP, SREC Charity Chair, Florida Capital Chapter President <u>Amy.brown@freshfromflorida.com</u> 850-617-7510

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