Time to celebrate the role of the public procurement profession

As we gather to celebrate March is Purchasing Month, we want to recognize and celebrate our fellow colleagues and Co-OPP members which make this possible.

We want to hear about your victories, your accomplishments, your awards and recognitions, etc. (individual and team) that have occurred since we last gathered.

Help us in shouting from the rooftops by sending your reasons for celebration to Cindy Collins, March is Purchasing Month Chair at Cindy.Collins@sc.ohio.gov by March 14, 2018.

As a part of the March is Purchasing Month Celebration, all current Co-OPP members in attendance will be eligible to register to win registration for one NIGP training class of their choice, offered at DAS General Services Division in Columbus, Ohio in 2018.

*Please note that you must be present to win.

Please join us on Monday, March 12th, 2018 as we gather with our partners, ISM-Central Ohio, Inc. and the Association for Supply Chain Management (APICS), for the 2018 joint March is Purchasing Month meeting from 5:30 to 8 PM at J. Liu in Worthington.

Interested in attending, we are here to help!

The March is Purchasing Month Committee will provide reimbursement of the $35.00 registration fee for up to 10 Co-OPP members to attend the dinner in accordance with the Co-OPP reimbursement policy.

Please note that registration for this event is required by March 5, 2018, and can be completed at www.ismcentralohio.org

If interested in attending, please contact Cindy Collins at Cindy.Collins@sc.ohio.gov.

Please note in order to received reimbursement, requests must be made and confirmation and received prior to completing registration.
Congratulations Jennifer Shaefer 2017 CO-OPP Volunteer of the Year!

Certification of procurement professionals is a vital tool; well-trained professionals are better equipped to watch over every dollar and maximize value. Certification can also provide an edge when applying for an open position or looking to be promoted. The future belongs to the learners!

Certification inspires confidence; is a clear indicator of an advanced level of knowledge, proficiency, and excellence.

Networking & Educational Event
Thursday, September 20, 2018
Quest Conference Center
8405 Pulsar Place / Columbus, Ohio 43240

September 2018 Reverse Trade Fair in planning stage!
Volunteer a few hours for this specific event!

“Deliberately seek the company of people who influence you to think and act on building the life you desire.”
~Napoleon Hill

Professional Development Excellence
Outstanding educational programming!
Education Chair, Tonya Prickett

Strategic Procurement Planning
Start Date: 02/13/2018
Location: Columbus, OH
Instructor: Barbara Johnson

Sourcing in the Public Sector
Start Date: 03/13/2018
Location: Columbus, OH
Instructor: Edward Pabor

Advancing Your Negotiation Skills
Start Date: 04/10/2018
Location: Columbus, OH
Instructor: Tony Ellis

Community Affairs Committee
Mary Harper, Chair
WAYS TO GIVE

Cash Gifts
Every gift goes a long way in providing nights of rest for our families. You can make a gift online or you can mail your gift to:

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio
Attn: Development Department
11 E. Livingston Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43205

On behalf of the Ronald McDonald House & the Holy Family Soup Kitchen, thank you for the pop-tab & empty container donations. Please keep them coming!
ETHICAL PROCUREMENT

The State of Ohio has an adopted code of ethics. All employees are required to uphold the code and seek commitment from all stakeholders. Our professional credibility and reputation is shaped by the collective conduct of the individual. Code of ethics consist of all the obligations that professionals must respect when carrying out their duties.

As State employees we are custodians of the public trust; it is incumbent upon us to conduct our daily activities in a professional and responsible manner. Our conduct must be free from competing self-interest, prejudice, and favoritism. We are bound to uphold certain values:

- Accountability
- Ethics
- Impartiality
- Professionalism
- Service
- Transparency

“Legislation

“The Following House Bill was Introduced on Monday, Feb 5, 2018.

H.B. 492: State Procurement – To establish the women-owned business enterprise program requiring state agencies to establish women-owned business procurement goals.

CO-OPP offers many ways to become active in the group

- Become an officer
- Participate in education and training opportunities
- Take advantage of membership benefits
- Volunteer a few hours for a single, specific event/activity
- Volunteer for a committee
- Attend membership meetings regularly

Volunteers Needed!

Connect your talents & passions. Support & promote our profession.

Help Plan for the CO-OPP 2019 Golf Outing

Do You Have a Procurement Story or Question?

The newsletter would like to share your story! We encourage you to suggest a topic, ask a question or provide feedback.

Share your story

Submit your contributions to: pr@coopp.org
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