** 2019 NIGP FORUM ISSUE **

DELAWARE BRINGS HOME THE WIN!

Hard work does pay!

Due to all of our work, dedication and community involvement the Delaware Chapter was awarded the 2019 Small Chapter of The Year during the NIGP Forum held in Austin Texas. This year we were fortunate to have 5 member attend to receive the award.

Congratulations ...Delaware!

Chapter Members,

I want to give a special shout out to Tony Lee for the educational session and tour at our 3QTR meeting held at the Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA). It was great to tour DEMA to see the level of expertise and detail and how Delaware would respond in emergency situations.

The 2019 NIGP National Forum in Austin Texas was a huge success. In addition to the many educational opportunities, we listened to a live band at Austin City Live and watched bats fly south. The highlight of the forum was when we won Small Chapter of the Year based on our recruitment, internship and community service outreach. Thanks to all the members for your efforts in securing the award.

We are gearing up for our Mid Atlantic Reverse Trade Show on April 3, 2020 at the Dover Downs Hotel & Conference Center. Please direct attendees and vendors to our website (WWW.DPPA1.ORG) for more information and to register for the event.

Cliff
Disaster Preparedness

Instructor: Mr. Tony Lee Principle Planner
Delaware Emergency Management Agency

The 3QRT meeting was held on Thursday, August 15th at the Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) in Smyrna. Our educational speaker was Mr. Tony Lee, Principle Planner for DEMA. DEMA is the lead state agency for the coordination of comprehensive emergency preparedness, training, response recovery and mitigation services. Their main focus is to save lives and protect Delaware's economic base by reducing the impact of emergencies.

During the session Tony stressed disasters can strike quickly without warning and you could be forced to evacuate your families from your home, therefore you should always be prepared. If a disaster were to happen in Delaware everyone should have a Family Disaster Plan and an Emergency Checklist.

Not all disasters are from “Mother Nature”. Unfortunately, with Delaware located only 20 miles across from the Salem Nuclear Power Plant, we have to make sure we are prepared for anything. DEMA is constantly in close contact with the power plant to ensure, in the event something happens’ the residents of Delaware are informed and kept safe.

For helpful tips and ideas on how to prepare your family in the event a disaster strikes, log on to the DEMA website at www.dema.delaware.gov. On the site you will find helpful information and checklists for your family regarding Winter Storms, Floods, Heat Waves, Hurricanes and other types of emergency situations.

We would like to thank Mr. Tony Lee for taking the time to educate the chapter members on Disaster Preparedness and for allowing us to tour the DEMA facility. The tour was extremely eye opening and we all left with a better understanding of how all the state agencies comes together during natural disasters to ensure our safety.
Highlights from the DEMA Tour
2019 NIGP National Forum Highlights

Over 1,600 in Attendance

Forum: Day One

Rick Grimm

Bat Bridge

NIGP Social

Coopers: YUM!

Shelly’s Birthday Celebration
NIGP Chapter Award Luncheon
Tuesday, August 27, 2019

Chapter News & Updates

[Images of people at the luncheon and a reserved sign for Delaware Small Chapter]
What is Pathways?

Pathways is an innovative approach to help you develop personalized competency-based learning and credentialing paths for every phase and every stage of your working life in procurement. Pathways is comprised of four components—PPCF (see below), Certificates, Specialization and NIGP Certification. For more information, please visit the NIGP website.

4QTR Award & Holiday Meeting

*Date:* Friday, December 6, 2019  
*Time:* 11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
*Location:* Frazier’s Restaurant (Private Party Room)  
(9 E. Lookerman Street, Dover)

Remember to bring your gag gift for the exchange  
(*$3.00 - $5.00 Limit*)

2020 -2022 Newly Elected Chapter Officers

**President**- Clifton Crawford  
**First VP**- Kimberly Cuffee  
**Second VP**- Ruth Kowalski  
**Financial Treasurer**- Deborah Dennis  
**Recording Secretary**- Kimberly Jones

*Congratulations! Each officer will be sworn in at the December Award and Holiday Luncheon*
2019 Area 2 Regional Conference
Hosted by Maryland Public Purchasing Association

Wednesday, October 2 to Friday, October 4, 2019
in Ocean City, Maryland.

Registration Cost:
$225.00 NIGP Members ~ $250.00 Non - NIPG Members

Hotel: $72.00/night plus tax

Call 1-800-447-6779
to make your reservation and use promo code: WASH 19

The Grand Hotel & Spa
2100 Baltimore Ave
Ocean City, MD 21842

ATTN: ALL AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS!!!

2020 MARTS
"Mid Atlantic Reverse Trade Show"

Friday, April 3, 2020
Dover Downs Hotel & Conference Center

For More Information, Please Visit
www.dppa1.org

*ALL AGENCIES ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE*

DON’T MISS OUT ON THIS EVENT!!
Allergies, fatigue, comfort eating... it is a great time to start thinking ahead and prepare your body to tackling cold weather ailment that could soon be heading our way.

We are moving into autumn and while you think you are ready to tackle this new season head on, it might be a good idea to review your cold weather health routine—after all, it has been over a year since you had to think about it.

**Cold Weather Fitness:**
As the days get shorter and nights longer, motivation to keep up with your summer fitness routine can significantly drop. Exercising earlier in the day is one way to battle your change of season fatigue and ward off all the pounds from eating all that comfort food.

**Immunity Boosters**
Now is the perfect time to boost your natural immunity and give your body the best chance of defending a cold and the flu. Eating fall veggies, such as pears, radishes, onions, garlic winter melons are one great way but also incorporating naturally orange, red and green veggies, such as pumpkin, squash, oranges, carrots, lemons, kale and green beans will give your immune system the boost it needs.

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**Are you a member of NIGP??**

**Membership Benefits**
- Tools to support your day to day activities.
- Online document library containing thousands of RFP’s
- Members discounts on all educational programs and classes
- Various procurement resources
- 18 Free webinars on relevant, real world trending procurement topics
- Study Tools to help you prepare for your certification or recertification
- Free subscriptions to the Go Pro and N Forum
- Discounts to attend NIGP National Forums