Congratulations Copper Chapter on your Platinum Performance Standard Seal!
The seal was shared during the Chapter President’s session during the NIGP Virtual Forum.

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Agency: Sun Tran

Position: Senior Buyer

Years In Public Procurement: 5.5 years

How long have you been a member of the Copper Chapter? 5 years

Hobbies: face painting, crafting, karaoke, collecting anything Nightmare before Christmas. I have 3 children - 2 boys and a girl. I have met several celebrities working part time at the Tucson convention center - Mike Epps, John Cena, Chris Brown, and more.
Members of the Quarter

Jenise Martin

Agency: City of Tucson

Position: pCard Coordinator

Years In Public Procurement: 3 years as a payment method for all the goodies purchased

How long have you been a member of the Copper Chapter? 3 years

Hobbies: Woodworking, Amateur Radio, Photographer, Hard Core Gamer of MMORPG games

Any topics you would like to hear about during our professional development sessions? Payment methods for various procurements. What forms do organizations use/require.
Members of the Quarter

Patricia (Patti) Lucas

Agency: City of Tucson

Position: Contract Officer

Years In Public Procurement: 3 years

How long have you been a member of the Copper Chapter?: 3 years

Hobbies: Reading, Painting, DIY home improvement, biking, working out and traveling. I am an adrenaline seeker. I have bungee jumped, sky dived, swam with sharks. I always and looking for an adventure.

What is the weirdest thing you have ever bought/procured for your agency public or private? nothing yet

Any Copper Chapter Stories to tell: the 2019 fall event with the photo booth was a blast. It was so much fun to get people relaxed enough to take a pic and smile. Working with all our participants was so much fun and I learned to just be myself. Our Copper Chapter is the best!!
Members of the Quarter

Victoria “Vickey” Cortinas, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, C.P.M.

Agency: Tucson Electric Power Company; Retired from City of Tucson

Position: Senior Procurement Specialist; City of Tucson retired as a Procurement Administrator

Years In Public Procurement: 24 years

How long have you been a member of the Copper Chapter? 25 years

Hobbies: I have 3 grown kids (2 girls, 1 boy) and have replaced them with 3 dogs (2 girls, 1 boy) and 3 cats (also 2 girls, 1 boy). Hobbies include hiking, spending time with my family and watching too much TV.

What is the weirdest thing you have ever bought/procured for your agency public or private? Weirdest thing was a Zamboni for the TCC Ice Cats. Favorite project was I purchased the vehicles for the streetcar and was the procurement representative on the project team and got to travel to Portland, Oregon multiple times to attend the manufacturing progress meetings.

Any Copper Chapter Stories to tell: I’ve been part of the Copper Chapter since 1996 and I was able to attend the NIGP Forum in 1998 in Phoenix when we won our first Small Chapter of the Year award. Our chapter truly is one of the best in the country. We have amazing members who step up and volunteer when needed. We give out more scholarships than so large chapters and I love that we are so supportive of each other.

Any suggestions going forward for Copper Chapter? I love the idea of a member spotlight. I’d love to see the U of A procurement become members but not sure how to make that happen.

Any topics you would like to hear about during our PD sessions? IT contracting
We are excited to announce our new logo has been approved by NIGP for use. You will begin to see the logo used on communications going forward.
SAVE THE DATE

November 17th and visit our cooperative contracted vendors at the TCC Grand Ballroom. Invite your end users to this event so that they can meet with contracted vendors to get the job done!
Bylaws Committee

An email has been sent out to the membership regarding revisions to the Bylaws. Membership has 30 days to review the revisions.

If you have any questions please email copperchapternigp@gmail.com. We will vote on approval of the bylaw revisions at our October meeting.

NIGP-CPP/CPPB/CPPO Awardees

NIGP-CPP
May 2021- Cherie A. Odeski, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, VCO, Town of Sahuarita

CPPB
May 2021-Tracy Garcia, CPPB

Chapter and National Membership

Chapter and National Membership- If you are not a member of the national NIGP consider attending the upcoming zoom meeting. We will go over the benefits of being a National member in addition to your Copper Chapter membership and the scholarship opportunities if your agency cannot fund the membership. Contact Tracy Garcia for questions!

Navigating the Website/Social Media

Don’t forget that Copper Chapter has a website and social media sites to get more information! Website- https://nsite.nigp.org/copperchapterofnigp/home

Sign in using your NIGP log in and password. If you don’t have one let us know and we’ll get you figured out. This is a great tool to get more information. Once signed in you can access the Members Only section to access the Library. Here you can find the documents for each of our meetings, view recordings of meeting you missed. Find the attendance rosters for your scholarship points and so much more.
Our new Leadership Summit was like no other event hosted by NIGP, and another innovative offering that elevates our great profession. This inaugural meeting of the minds was designed to bring together procurement’s most ardent advocates and innovative thought leaders for three days of transformative thinking and high impact collaboration. It’s equal parts inspiration and perspiration with attendees expected to fully engage in productive dialogue and roll-up-your-sleeves working sessions.
NIGP Forum 2021 was held August 23-26, 2021, was a mix of live and pre-recorded sessions to hear inspiring speakers, attend thought-provoking educational sessions, engage in agency and topic-based networking, connect with suppliers, and of course to have some fun and celebrate. Keynote speakers Clint Swindall asked us if we suffer from negativity bias and why telling somebody something good, is really good for you. Courtney Clark asked us “what does it mean to “go with your gut”? What’s the absolute fastest way to bounce back from change and stress.” Risha Grant asked us to get rid of our BS-bias synapse. Manley Feinberg shared his tips to help us reach our next summit with 5 vertical lessons to lead with more impact, regardless of our title. Sessions are on demand until September 30th.