

Capital Events



"Annual Silent Auction"

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Another successful year for the chapter! There were plenty of great items to bid on. You all did a great job in support of our annual fund raiser. Karen Lambert and Ellen Sliger did another outstanding job in organizing the event. Joice Ventry, Retha Nero, George Nero, Ray Lowe, and Arlene Roberts assisted with setting everything up while Ellen and Amy Brown pulled bid sheets and made sure all was accounted for. Our own Merle Manzi had the mic again this year as our auctioneer. He made the numbers roll with fun and excitement. Thank you to Merle for offering his services for this worthy cause. There were approximately 75 people in attendance this year. Thank you everyone for joining us. We appreciate your dedication and support along with your ability to shop, shop, shop! We hope to see you all again next year.

Funds from the auction are \$5,567.26. This is \$1,110.26 over last year's amount. Yeah.....

Remember if you paid for auction items with a credit card, it will appear on your statement as a MEETING SPOTS charge.... Please do not dispute this. Thank you.

The DoubleTree did another fantastic job hosting again this year. A big thank you to Krystal Serrano for your continued support and commitment to the chapter. You come through with flying colors every year throughout the year. This is a very important event for raising scholarship funds for the chapter. As always, the food was great; including a fabulous array of mini chicken cordon bleu, mini egg rolls (yummy), cheeses, salami, mushrooms, crackers, and more. Yes, and don't forget the delectable sweets. .



AUGUST
Augustus Caesar,
grandnephew of Julius
Caesar"
to you from the mystery
writer

The Auction SHOPPERS above ready to start the bidding as they enjoy the networking time and great food provided. Thank you all for being a part of this event and raising dollars for a great cause.



President's Message – Amy Brown, CGMP, Florida Capital Chapter President

I want to thank everyone for their support with the auction. We did a great job and a good head start on funds for scholarships. Thank you all.

Remember the Regional Conference set for next month. You still have time to register and join in on the fun and excellent sessions that are planned for your learning. Do not miss out on this exciting event. I hope to see you there.

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.

Thanks again for your valuable support and encouragement.

SGMP Board

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September 11 – 14 SE Regional Education Conference You still have time to register for this event View the “Save The Date”, on the last page

Membership Report

Current Report
55.6% Planners
44.4% Suppliers
Planners – 65
Suppliers – 52
Not including retirees or
Educators/Students

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.

Looking Ahead – National Conferences
May 16-19, 2012 – New Orleans, LA

A Need to Know – Upcoming Program Dates

August 16 – Annual Silent Auction
September 11-14 - SE Regional Education Conference
October 18/TBA - November 15/TBA
December 13 – Holiday Charity Event

Committee Chairs

Archives, George Nero
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Member Services, Melissa Jackson
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About the organization - The SGMP Florida Capital Chapter chartered June, 1989 with 35 members. The chapter offers a variety of services to its members, including monthly educational programs, leadership opportunities, social activities and a strong code of ethics.

Mission Statement - The Society of Government Meeting Professionals is a national organization dedicated to improving the knowledge and expertise of individuals in the planning and management of government meetings through education, training, and industry relationships.

August Charity Regional Charity – The Daytona Police Foundation

Dear Friends of SGMP,

Thank you so much for your donations and willingness to help out and lift up a local family who is dealing with the heavy burden of their daughter's cancer. Your kindness and generosity have gone a long way to uplift many. Thank you again, Priscilla Hudson (Friends of Ariel)

The SGMP Southeast Regional Education Conference previously announced that the Daytona Beach Police Foundation would be its 2011 charity of the year. We are continuing with this charity through the Regional Conference next month.

The Daytona Beach Police Foundation provides aid to officers and enhances public safety. The foundation works to support advanced law enforcement training opportunities, aid in community crime prevention programs and assist in research and development. Every day, these courageous men and women of the Daytona Beach Police Department put their lives on the line to protect and serve its citizens. By supporting this Foundation, SGMP Chapters in Florida, will play a unique role in providing direct assistance to the officers who serve and protect local citizens and neighborhoods throughout the city of Daytona Beach, FL.

For more information on the Daytona Beach Police Foundation, visit www.daytonabeachpolicefoundation.org.



Merle Manzi, our auctioneer for the night is in full swing with the bidding wars going on throughout the live auction. I have \$90, do I hear \$95, oh my, \$95 and going for \$100. Do I hear \$105, how about \$110? Let's keep going with this, do I hear \$115, \$120, \$125, \$130

Annual Silent Auction What FUN We Had!

Ok!
Now we are rolling.
I have \$155

Going once

Twice

And SOLD to the lady in
the back of the room!



Annual Silent Auction What FUN We Had!



Looks like another happy gal with the high bid. Jenean Chavey is making her way up the runway with her treasure.

Tables were closing every 15 minutes and lots of happy shoppers were on their way to the check out stand

Right, Dr. Gabrielle Gabrielli
Gabrielle is talking up her SCUBA dive lessons to be auctioned off next. The high bid went to Ellen Sliger, Immediate Past President.
We hope you have fun using this certificate.

Make sure you stay away from shark infested areas!!!



Left, Wendy Priesand
Wendy is beefing up her property for a high bid; a two night stay including breakfast and parking at the Shores Resort & Spa.

Someone is going to have a nice weekend!



Annual Silent Auction And the BEAT GOES ON!



One of our new members, Brittany Callahan with the Westin Tampa Harbour Island stepped up to the plate and offered a two night stay with breakfast. Thank you for the last minute donation. Merle is taking numbers and raising it every few seconds with people bidding against each other. Who is the lucky recipient going to be!

The Special Events Committee along with our President, Amy Brown, wants to thank everyone again for their support with donations and attending the annual auction. We really had a great time and a lot of great deals were had by everyone. We hope you will mark your calendars now for the 2012 annual auction to be held on Tuesday, August 14. We plan to make every year better than the previous. Plan to do all your Holiday shopping in August from a wide selection of items that always appear, from baskets of goodies to hotel stays.



Mark your calendar (September 11-14, 2011) and make plans to join us at the Southeast Regional Education Conference for this premiere event!

- Develop skills to position yourself as a strategic asset to your organization
- Get up-to-speed on industry developments and learn ways to plan more efficiently
- Learn how to work with tighter budgets and less staffing, all while facing higher expectations
- Tap into SGMP's vast network of contacts and established partners
- Learn new planning tools that will help you save time, minimize errors, reduce costs and increase your quality of service

The event will take place at the beautiful [Shores Resort & Spa](#) in Daytona Beach Shores, FL. [Visit us online at: sgmpseiregionalconference.org](http://sgmpseiregionalconference.org)

