



# News Connection

DFW Chapter of NIGP National Institute of Governmental Purchasing

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Greetings DFW NIGP Chapter Members,

I would like to start off by thanking Cyndy Smith, our previous president for the continuing support and leadership in our Chapter. Even though Cyndy is no longer president, I know that she will still be an active participant in chapter activities. I would also like to thank our Officers and Board members who served in 2006.

This year our chapter will continue our quarterly meeting format and focus on topics related to the public purchasing professional, please join me and other DFW Chapter members at our next general meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2007, 12:00 noon, at the Westin DFW Airport. Details are provided in this newsletter.

We also have several educational opportunities available this year for those needing educational credits for the CPPB/CPPO certification or recertification. A description of these classes are also provided in this newsletter.

A major focus this year for our chapter will be the 2008 Lone Star Conference that our Chapter will be hosting. We hope to have a location chosen by May/June this year. If you are interested in participating on any of the conference committees, please contact me or any of the other officers.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our general meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2007.

Sara Hoglund, CPPB  
Collin County  
DFW NIGP Chapter President

February 15,  
2007

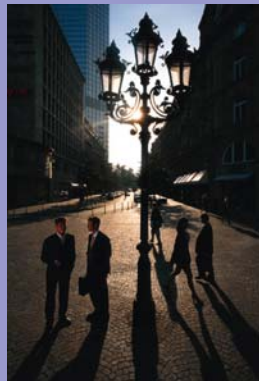
QUARTERLY  
MEETING

Guest speaker

Mr. Jesse Dillard

On

"Green Power"



### Dallas to light up with green energy

Dallas city officials announced a program to light nearly half of the street lights in the City of Dallas with renewable "green power."

"This is a reflection of Dallas' commitment to using clean, renewable energy wherever and whenever possible," said Interim Energy Manager Jesse Dillard. "Shifting to green power for our energy needs is better for the environment, and makes sense."

Under the pilot program, the city will purchase 30 million kilowatt hours of renewable energy credits from the Texas General Land Office, which will provide power for 34,000 of the city's street lights, starting in mid-February. The renewable credits guarantee the power will originate from solar, wind, geothermal, biomass or low-impact hydropower sources in Texas.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, conventional electricity generation is one of the largest industrial sources of air pollution.

### NIGP DFW Chapter Quarterly Meeting February 15, 2007 Westin Hotel DFW 12:00—4:00

4550 West John Carpenter Freeway  
Irving, TX 75063  
Direct 972-510-2421  
Fax 972-510-2471

12:00-1:00 Business Meeting/Lunch

1:00-4:00 Guest Speaker:

Mr. Jesse Dillard

**\$25.00 Inclusive**

**Please RSVP by Friday  
February 9, 2007  
Steve Cole**

**(817) 788-7018 or [scole@ci.hurst.tx.us](mailto:scole@ci.hurst.tx.us)**

***RSVP's are firm  
The Chapter is responsible for pay-  
ment of the meal***

### Earn 1/2 point for this 4 hour seminar

Includes Hot luncheon:

- ◆ Caribbean Pork Loin  
Boneless pork loin rubbed with jerk seasoning topped with pineapple cilantro relish
- ◆ Garden Salad with Choice of Dressing
- ◆ Wild Rice Pilaf
- ◆ Vegetable Medley
- ◆ Warm Rolls with Butter
- ◆ Cheesecake
- ◆ Iced Tea, Water, Coffee and Decaf-  
feinated Coffee

Alternate lunches available upon request. Invoices available upon request.

### Workshop + Lunch = NIGP Points

**Special rate of \$25.00**

# DFW METROPLEX CHAPTER OF NIGP

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## BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

When your agency joins NIGP, you connect with procurement professionals from cities, states, counties, colleges, hospitals, airports, and other public agencies. As a member, you enjoy significant benefits, including Discounts, Education, Resources, Professional Services and Publications. **NIGP National Members benefit** from substantial discounts on all NIGP seminars and conferences as well as key services and products. Become a National Member and help to support the NIGP DFW Spring 2008 Conference. **Dues are coming up.** This is a great time to renew your membership and if you are not currently a National member, take advantage of these additional benefits. For questions on Chapter Membership or dues, contact Tina Murphy: [tmurphy@mckinneytexas.org](mailto:tmurphy@mckinneytexas.org).

### *Save the dates.....*

**Chapter meetings for 2007 will be:**

**Thursday, February 15, 2007**

*(Invocation of new officers)*

**Thursday, May 10, 2007**

**Thursday, August 23, 2007**

**Thursday, November 15, 2007**

### **DFW NIGP CONFERENCE 2008**

Work and creativity have begun for the Spring 2008 Conference to be hosted by the DFW Chapter. We are currently looking for a host site

## March Purchasing Month

You are a member of an elite group of professionals that have made a difference in governmental efficiency and effectiveness. So make sure to take time this March to celebrate your accomplishments and contributions during National Purchasing Month.



### BUYER/MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Recognizing Excellence in Public Procurement...To recognize and acknowledge those individuals who strive to elevate the procurement profession. Everyone has an opportunity to nominate your peer for outstanding achievements. Be part of the process and nominate a fellow member. Forms available at [nigp.org](http://nigp.org). Deadline May 31.

### CCGPF Annual Vendor Fair

The Collin County Governmental Purchasers Forum will host the 2007 Annual Vendor Fair on February 28, 2007 at the CCCC Spring Creek Campus Conference Center from 1:30-4:00. For more information, email [dmorris@ccccd.edu](mailto:dmorris@ccccd.edu). OR [mrains@co.collin.tx.us](mailto:mrains@co.collin.tx.us)



# Lone Star Conference Lone Star Conference

## New Committee Opportunities

Committees are essential. Volunteer committee members provide valuable input concerning new or existing programs. Recommendations from committees help in the formulation of future policies and the development of programs.

### Committee Volunteers needed:

#### ◆ 2008 DFW Conference

Multiple committees will be formed in the development of the 2008 conference

### LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES TO BECOME INVOLVED IN YOUR CHAPTER

#### ◆ Supplier Relations

NIGP now offers courses to vendors! Government Contractor Certificate (GCC) Seminars to provide an overview of public sector purchasing to local suppliers. Coming soon.....

#### ◆ Program Committee

This committee will assist in Quarterly meeting programs

May 16-18, 2007

San Antonio TEXAS

## New Certifications!

### New Texas CPPOs

**Jo (Maxine) Carden, CPPO, CPPB, CPM,CTP**

Purchaser III

Texas Department of Transportation

**Edward Matthews, CPPO, CPPB**

Purchasing Manager

City of Irving

### New Texas CPPBs

**Sandra Talbert, CPPB**

Purchasing Assistant

City of Round Rock

### New DFW Chapter Members

**Beth Flemming, Denton County**

**Sherry Mulkey, Denton County**

**Donna Riley, Denton County**

**Vanessa Freeman, Denton County**

**Kenneth D. Lind, Ector County, Odessa**

# NIGP Seminars

## Upcoming CPPO & CPPB Review Seminar scheduled for March 1st & 2nd in Plano, TX

We are privileged to have Beau Grant as the instructor for the reviews. If you've never been to one of Beau's classes, you are in for a treat! **Beau Grant** has been a mover and a shaker in the Procurement profession, aggressively attacking the problems related to the ineffective and inappropriate use of purchasing power. Mr. Grant has a Masters Degree in Educational Psychology, is a Certified Public Purchasing Officer (CPPO), and is a professional Mediator/Arbitrator. His "Common Sense" column in the Government PROcurement Journal addresses real issues faced by today's procurement professionals. With over 21 years as a respected professional trainer, Mr. Grant is a "Master Instructor" for the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing and has represented the Institute in projects for the governments of Ireland and Kuwait. Beau brings a wealth of experience and insight, combined with humor and a down-to-earth presentation style.

Hope to see you in March!  
Cindy White, CPPO, CPPB  
NIGP Seminar Coordinator

<u>Course</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Fee Schedule</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
CPPO Review	March 1-2, 2007	Two Day	Beau Grant, CPPO, M.Ed.
CPPB Review	March 2, 2007	One Day	Med/Arb
Get What you Need Through Successful Negotiation Strategies	April 19-20, 2007	Two Day	Tony Ellis, CPPO
Fundamentals of Leadership & Management	May 10-11, 2007	Two Day	TBA

All above seminars located at the Collin County Community College in Plano, TX.  
Seminar Registration Forms attached to Newsletter.

## Legislative Update

H.B. 734 (Chisum) - Construction Contracts: would, among other things, prohibit a general contractor from enforcing a contingent payment clause against a city until the contractor has completed its duties under the contract, unless the contractor's failure is due to the failure of its subcontractors.

S.B. 35- May be of interest to any entity that purchases food from the State's Food Contracts. The bill provides preference to contractors that provide foods of higher nutritional value and who do not provide foods containing trans fatty acids.

H.B. 144- Affects the State's purchasing system by providing preference for goods or services that are available from companies in a declared disaster area of this State.

C.P.M. Bridge offered by the UPPCC from C.P.M. to CPPB or CPPO:

Additional information is available at the following link:

<http://www.nigp.org/Cert/FAQs.htm>

## UPPCC Expands Board of Examiners (BOE)

### Representation Extended to CAPPO, FAPPO, NAEP & NPI

October 31, 2006.... Today the Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council (UPPCC) announced that it had invited four collegial public procurement organizations to participate on its Board of Examiners (BOE). The BOE is the UPPCC body responsible for the development of the CPPO and CPPB examinations and for making decisions on matters relating to certification, recertification and revocation.

California Association of Public Purchasing Officers (CAPPO), Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers (FAPPO), National Association of Educational Procurement (NAEP) and National Purchasing Institute (NPI) were each offered the opportunity to recommend one representative to serve on the BOE. All four organizations have accepted the Council's invitation. With these additional seats, the BOE will be made up of twelve members; ten voting members and two advisory members. Three representatives each from the two UPPCC founding organizations; National Institute for Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) and National Association of State Purchasing Officers (NASPO) and one representative each from CAPPO, FAPPO, NAEP and NPI will make up the voting membership, while two advisory seats are split between the Canadian Federal Government and the Irish Institute of Purchasing & Materials Management. Each member of the BOE serves a three year term and can serve a maximum of three consecutive terms.

"We are so excited by the developments that are taking shape" said Don Buffum, CPPO, Chairman of The Council. "The Council's desire in expanding the BOE is to allow for broader input in the development of the public sector certification exams through the expansion of the BOE's intellectual resources. We also ensure the applicability of the UPPCC certifications to the entire public procurement profession."

All four organizations are working with their respective Boards and membership to select appropriate representation and hope to have those individuals in place for the January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2009 term. "CAPPO is pleased and honored to accept the UPPCC's invitation to join the Board of Examiners" said CAPPO's President Denni Baumer, C.P.M., CPPB. "Our association has a long history of commitment to certification.... the expansion of the BOE is another opportunity to advance our profession through certification and CAPPO is proud to be part of that endeavor." Echoing CAPPO's sentiment, NPI's President Pam Kirkland, CPPO, CPPB said, "NPI is very excited to become a part of the CPPO/CPPB certification process and we look forward to a long and prosperous relationship."

Buffum added that "The UPPCC has made tremendous strides over the last few years in enhancing the CPPO and CPPB programs. These are four great organizations, committed to professionalism within the industry and we are certain that their input will help to pave the way for truly universal public purchasing certification offerings."

*The Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council (UPPCC) is an independent entity formed to govern and administer the Certified Public Purchasing Officer (CPPO) and Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB) certification programs.*

*The CPPO and CPPB programs are highly regarded and respected among procurement professionals and employers involved in the public sector. To date, the UPPCC has certified well over 10,000 professionals primarily within the US and Canada as well as in other nations around the globe.*

# NIGP Code of Ethics

*The Institute believes, and it is a condition of membership, that the following ethical principles should govern the conduct of every person employed by a public sector procurement or materials management organization.*

Seeks or accepts a position as head (or employee) only when fully in accord with the professional principles applicable thereto and when confident of possessing the qualifications to serve under those principles to the advantage of the employing organization.

Believes in the dignity and worth of the service rendered by the organization, and the societal responsibilities assumed as a trusted public servant.

Is governed by the highest ideals of honor and integrity in all public and personal relationships in order to merit the respect and inspire the confidence of the organization and the public being served.

Believes that personal aggrandizement or personal profit obtained through misuse of public or personal relationships is dishonest and not tolerable.

Identifies and eliminates participation of any individual in operational situations where a conflict of interest may be involved.

Believes that members of the Institute and its staff should at no time, or under any circumstances, accept directly or indirectly, gifts, gratuities, or other things of value from suppliers, which might influence or appear to influence purchasing decisions.

Keeps the governmental organization informed, through appropriate channels, on problems and progress of applicable operations by emphasizing the importance of the facts.

Resists encroachment on control of personnel in order to preserve integrity as a professional manager.

Handles all personnel matters on a merit basis, and in compliance with applicable laws prohibiting discrimination in employment on the basis of politics, religion, color, national origin, disability, gender, age, pregnancy and other protected characteristics.

Seeks or dispenses no personal favors. Handles each administrative problem objectively and empathetically, without discrimination.

Subscribes to and supports the professional aims and objectives of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc.