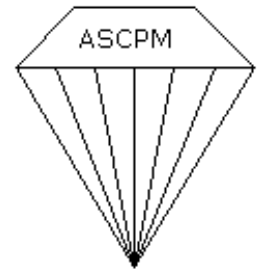




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ASCPM 2008 Annual (Year End) Report

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2008 Accomplishments:

The Arkansas Society celebrated twenty (21) years of the CPM program in Arkansas in 2008. At our March membership luncheon meeting, our speakers were from the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration Office of Personnel Management. They presented information on the Arkansas Classification and Compensation Study. The results of the study and a new state pay plan will be presented to legislators in the 2009 legislative session. ASCPM prepared a presentation binder for DFA/OPM containing information on the Certified Public Manager® Program and the Arkansas Society of Certified Public Managers® for consideration of this achievement of CPM in the new state pay plan as legislators review the new pay plan prior to implementation.

In May, several members of the Arkansas Society participated in the AGM/CPM graduation ceremonies held in the rotunda of the Arkansas State Capitol. Congratulatory letters and membership information packets were presented to AGM and CPM graduates.

At our June membership meeting, luggage tags from the American Academy of Certified Public Managers were distributed to members.

Cheryl LeDoux, a Senior Epidemiologist with the Department of Health provided an interesting presentation on Obesity.

At our September membership meeting, Becky Bryant updated members on activities that the Academy is currently pursuing, and answered questions presented to her from the audience. Also in September, several ASCPM members attended the Annual AACPM Professional Development Conference that was held in Columbus, Ohio. Romany Brooks with the Department of Information Systems, our Askew award winner, also attended the conference.

In December, the Society hosted a drop-in Holiday Luncheon/Reception where Arkansas Governor Mike Beebe, agency directors, legislators, APAC Program representatives, and others who support the CPM program were invited to come together for great food and fellowship. Attendance at the event was very good, and the weather was extremely nice for December. Our 2009 Board was elected during a brief business meeting. After the reception, many members participated in a guided tour of the Arkansas Governor's Mansion and its magnificent garden and grounds (<http://www.arkansasgovernorsmansion.com/tours.html>). The mansion was beautifully decorated for the 2008 holiday season.

We continue to utilize our new Society web site to communicate meeting dates and other information to our members.

Other 2008 Society accomplishments include:

- Enhancing the Society web site: www.arcpm.org
- Posted names of all graduates of the Arkansas AGM and CPM programs on the society web site.
- Successful membership recruitment drive.
- Participated in the APAC graduation ceremony and presented a congratulatory letter and a membership enrollment packet to all who completed their management training programs, and invited graduates to join ASCPM.
- Successful AGM/CPM candidate drive. Currently enrolled CPM candidates include a former state legislator and an agency deputy director. Several new agencies have expressed interest in enrolling their employees in the CPM Program.
- The society donated seven (7) FULL Wal-Mart size bags of crayons, pencils, paper, glue, glue sticks, pencil boxes, rulers, markers, scissors, and ink pens and \$75.00 cash for school supplies to the Department of Human Services, Division of Children and Family Services for distribution to needy children.
- Becky Bryant continued her service as AACPM Member at Large/ Conferences & Communications, and was elected as the 2009 ASCPM Society President.

- Sent a delegation of members to the 20th Annual American Academy of Certified Public Managers® (AACPM) Professional Development Conference held in Columbus, OH.
- Romany Brooks, Arkansas Department of Information Systems (DIS) received a George C. Askew Award for her CPM Project.
- Worked to improve communication among ASCPM and CPM graduates.
- Continued to update Society outreach materials: letterhead, membership form, certificates of appreciation, brochures, and other materials.
- Society members made presentations at a variety of conferences and seminars aimed at recruiting new members.
- News releases were published to Arkansas media outlets and to the Arkansas State Employees Association (ASEA) regarding Board members and member awards, activities, and recognitions.
- During the year, the Society held four general membership meetings and four meetings of the Board of Directors.
- A Henning Nomination committee was formed.
- At the December meeting, Dr. Roby Robertson, from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Institute on Government spoke about the history of the Arkansas CPM Program and the great leadership of Certified Public Managers® in Arkansas as we face very uncertain economic times. Two new CPM candidates were recruited at our December meeting.
- Provided support and assistance by actively participating in Illinois' successful accreditation review.

2009 Goals:

- Complete updated Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for continuity in society operations as Society Board Members change.
- Continue to provide opportunities for Society members to network on a regular basis by hosting quarterly luncheon meetings for the general membership.
- Provide information on additional educational opportunities with interest to public managers.
- Organize and conduct at least one ASCPM sponsored professional development seminar as a fund raising project to benefit the work of the Society.
- Continue to update Society outreach materials.
- Post member communications on our web site.
- Increase membership and membership participation in events.
- Increase agency sponsored participation.
- Establish chapters for members in Northwest, Southwest, Southeast, and Northeast Arkansas.
- Actively recruit fire districts, police, county, municipal, state and federal employees for APAC participation and/or Society membership.

Issues of Concern (State and/or National Level):

- Adding more states to AACPM
- Continuing to attract participants in the AGM/CPM programs
- Attracting new ASCPM/AACPM members
- Member retention (many members are retiring)
- Gaining recognition for CPM designation

Membership Statistics (as of 12/31/08):

- Arkansas Society of Certified Public Managers
 - 52 Regular ASCPM Members
 - 6 Associates (non-graduates)