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Due to extraordinary events, we have missed the September and December 2005 issues of the Grapevine. We're back and we're working on bringing you useful information about your Society.

Message from the President... **By Gail Gibson, RN MN**

LSCPM extends its deepest sympathy to those affected by the tragic events in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Each day has shown the expanding scope of devastation as well as the many acts of heroism and kindness on the part of so many. LSCPM encourages its members to help by making a donation to a charity of their choice to help with the victim relief effort.

Since the events of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the board continues to work diligently to assess needs, set priorities, and define goals. We will continue to focus on improving the society's infrastructure by developing a five (5) year business plan. We will also continue to focus on the presentation of this valuable

program and society to key leaders in state government.

Additionally, please watch for the continuation of our quarterly meetings. The quarterly meetings have been invaluable in the dissemination of information on professional management skills to members.

If you have a little time that you can devote to help us fulfill our mission, please contact me at ggibso@lsuhsc.edu.

I look forward to a productive year and I am honored to serve another year as your President of the Louisiana Society of Certified Public Managers."

Sincerely,

Gail P. Gibson, RN MN
President, LSCPM

CPTP ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The web site has been updated with the latest offerings of the CPTP program.

[Sam Breen](#) CPTP Administrator

REQUEST FOR ARTICLES

During the recent months, the State of Louisiana has been sorely tested. The storm of the century blew through our state and disrupted the lives of hundreds of thousands of our citizens. Businesses were left in total ruin. Government offices were closed or relocated. Many people were left with homes in one city and jobs in another. In some cases, wives and husband were separated as their jobs moved to different locations. Schools struggled to reopen; children were temporarily moved to new schools. The CPM society wishes to recognize all those valiant citizens of our state who have suffered through this enormous disaster with grace and great determination. We particularly wish to recognize members of the Society who made extraordinary efforts to bring back our state. If you have a story about a particular person or group of people you would like to recognize, please send in an article for the Grapevine. We on the Board are aware of many stories of management skills being put on the line to bring back order and stability to a very chaotic situation. Please forward your stories to Frances.Smith@SSA.GOV.

Membership Committee Mike Steinkamp, chairman

The time has come for membership renewal. The application for membership can be found on the web site: www.lscpm.org. Please forward you membership renewal to:
Treasurer Judy Martin
Louisiana Society of CPM
PO Box 44021
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4021



OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2006

Due to the shortened year and the disruption the storms caused with the normal calendar of events in the CPM year, the board met as a whole to decide on a slate of candidates for 2006. Many of the major public activities of the Society are held in the latter part of the year; many were cancelled due to the two hurricanes. The Board proposed an extension of the service of the 2005 board to allow them the opportunity to carry out the normal activities that the Society sponsors. Gail Gibson agreed to continue as President. Tom Patterson agreed to continue in his new role as President- Elect. Sandy Scallan agreed to extend her tour as Past President. Treasurer Judy Martin will serve the second year of the normal two year term.

Board members have agreed to continue on for another one year term: Sharon Parker, Convention; Mike Steinkamp, Membership; Frances Smith, Publicity; Chuck Handrich, Mentoring; Sharon Lee will continue as Secretary. If any officer is unable to complete the extended term in office, a special election will be held to fill the position during the year.

Judy Martin
A Dunbar Award Winner for 2006
by Beth Scardina

Judy Bourdier Martin is the Administrative Manager for the Headquarters Business Office of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections. She manages a \$32 million operating budget and a multi-million dollar grants program and oversees general business operations. Judy developed administrative procedures that raised the operating standards of the office. Judy also developed spreadsheets and database programs to incorporate into a fledgling grants program, which expanded from a single grant of \$12,000 to multiple grants, currently valued at \$80 million.

Working with the Undersecretary and the Chief Fiscal Officer, she established a process to research, track and maintain fiscal accountability for grant funds that are administered through her office. She implemented a statewide grants workshop, which her staff conducts; introduced departmental web sites for grants and administrative procedures; and supported her staff in developing a grants reference manual, now used throughout the department. In 2000, she received the Headquarters Supervisor of the Year Award.

Previously, Judy was a Business Manager with the Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism. Here she managed program budgets, developed grants policies and procedures, and prepared the department's Indirect Cost Proposal. During this tenure, Judy served as president of the National Association of Outdoor Recreation Fiscal Officers.

For the development of these skills, Judy



credits her involvement in the Certified Public Management Program. She was in the first Certificate of Supervisory Techniques (CST) graduating class, and obtained Certified Public Manager designation in 1994. Judy has been an active member since that time and has served as treasurer of the Louisiana Society of Certified Public Managers for several years. She has also served on the conference and awards committees, and earned a Certificate of Merit for her contributions to the organization.

Judy has always communicated trust and confidence to her staff and she creates an environment in which they can motivate themselves to maximize their potential. Corrections Secretary Richard L. Stalder acknowledges Judy's hard work and commends her "strong work ethic and dedication to the Department." It is easy to see why Judy was selected as an award winner for the prestigious Dunbar Award. *The Grapevine* is proud to have Judy as an outstanding member of our Society. Our

congratulations are extended to you, Judy, for a job well done!!

Judy and her husband Eddy reside in Denham Springs where they are members of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and active with the RCIA and Parish Fair Committees. Judy is also a volunteer with Head Start Reading Programs and United Way. Judy has three sons and daughters-in-law, three beautiful granddaughters, and a grandson who is expected in April. Culminating 33 years of state service, Judy plans to retire in August, enjoy her family and pursue her hobby of photography.

AACPM
AMERICAN ACADEMY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC MANAGERS ANNOUNCES ITS ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

See You in Kentucky

The American Academy will host its annual training conference in September. The meeting will be held in Louisville, Ky. The Louisiana Society will be allowed three representatives in the House of Delegates where the national issues are discussed and decided. If you are interested and think you might attend the convention, get in touch with Gail Gibson or Tom Patterson. The first part of the meeting features excellent speakers on management issues that will be interesting and useful in the workplace. Academy business is conducted on Wednesday at the meeting of the House of Delegates.

American Academy of Certified Public Managers
18th Annual Professional Development Conference
"The New Realities - A Decade Later"

Conference
Sunday, September 10 through
Tuesday, September 12, 2006
House of Delegates
Wednesday, September 13, 2006
www.kscpm.org for more information

The Galt House
Fourth Street at the River
Louisville, KY 40202
1-800-THE-GALT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Board Meetings

Claiborne Building

3:45 PM

April 18, 2006

May 16, 2006

June 20, 2006

Membership welcome to attend

American Academy 18th Annual Conference

Louisville, Ky

September 12-13, 2006

LSCPM Annual Management Conference

Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge, LA.

October 5, 2006

8:00AM-4:30PM

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