



CREDIT PROFESSIONALS INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC NORTHWEST COUNCIL DISTRICT TEN

Serving the Northwest Credit Community Since 1937

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Message from the President

CPI: STARS OF CREDIT

Hello 2007 and District 10 CPI! Here we are again looking at a new year and a new page for our district. I hope you had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends and the New Year brings you everything you desire. I hope you are feeling like the Stars of Credit you are and it brings fulfillment and challenge for the New Year.



We have several things that need to be addressed ASAP. One is dues. We still have a number of associations that have not sent dues. Our numbers are still down.....let's see if we can get those up soon! We need to show our pride in a District 10 member that would like to run for International office. Please help me in showing our support for **Billie Plasker**. Her resume is in this newsletter. Billie has served in several local associations including President and as District 10 President, and would now like to serve on the International level. In this newsletter is an endorsement form (page 5) for each local to sign and send in showing our support for Billie. Please see that this is addressed at your local meeting and sent as soon as possible if you have not already done so. It is a privilege to have someone from our District run for International office – let's show her our support.

Our Winter Board meeting will be held on February 10, 2007 at the Radisson Hotel SeaTac. We will conduct business of the district by reviewing officer and committee reports. We will also gather information to be in our Pre-Conference Crier. This

will be mailed to Association Presidents to be distributed to our members. The Pre-Conference Crier will have all the information needed for our 2007 Conference, including registration information and nominations for District Officers.

I hope everyone is talking and planning to attend our 2007 Conference in Silverdale, Washington. I know the committee is working hard on meetings, speakers and fun events. They have also shortened the time to make it easier for more members to attend. Try to see how many of your members your association can help get to conference this year. You won't be sorry.

Thank you for your continued support,

You are the Stars of Credit!

Donna Carollo, PCE
District 10 President, CPI

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**REMINDER—PRE-CONFERENCE CRIER INFORMATION IS DUE NOW.
SEE PAGE 3 FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

International Representative's Message

Hello everyone –

Time really does fly doesn't it? Seems like yesterday that I was installed as your International President, when in reality it was over seven months ago. It's been a really busy year for me so far and I appreciate all of the help and support I have gotten from my CPI buddies everywhere.



This time of the year we are all getting over the holidays and getting ready for Spring Meetings and District Conferences that will be here before you know it. It is a good thing I like to travel, as "On the Road Again" will be my theme song this spring.

My own Local Association, Yakima Valley CPI will be hosting a Spring Meeting at the end of March and I hope that those of you that are close enough will be able to attend. Again this year we will be holding it at the office of CCCS in Yakima. Earlier in March I will be going to Virginia Beach, Virginia for the District 12 Conference, and April will bring the District 3 & 4 Conference in Jackson, Mississippi as well as our District 10 Conference in Silverdale, Washington.

In June, International Conference will be held in Portsmouth, Virginia. The information for that conference is on the CPI International website at www.creditprofessionals.org and the agenda and registration form is available to print. If you are able to attend the conference and are a history buff (I am), you will be interested in the tour of Jamestown, Virginia. We will be there during the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown.

I'd like to remind everyone that your vote does count, so when you get your ballot for officers and bylaw changes from the International Office, make sure to take advantage of the opportunity. This year we have someone from our own district that will be running for International Office and one of the proposed bylaw changes originated in our district. Make sure you follow the instructions that accompany your ballot so that your vote will be counted.

I hope I see you this spring at one of the meetings, whether it is Spring Meeting, District Conference, or International Conference.

It's A Whole New Ballgame!

Joyce Jones, CCCE/MPCE
President, Credit Professionals International

1st Vice President's Letter

Happy New Year all! I know we've all been very busy with the holidays, and now we're starting into all the end-of-year/first-of year business, but try to find some time just for you. Take a spa treatment, get a massage, that new hair style you saw in the magazine that you've wanted to try, or just curl up by the fireplace with a good book.

Of course, don't forget CPI. If your dues haven't been paid, please get them in as soon as possible. Start planning for Spring meetings and District and International Conferences.

Currently we have 62 paid members. If you have paid your dues, and your Association isn't listed here, please check with your local treasurer.

<u>Association</u>	<u>Paid Members</u>
Pocatello, ID	13
Flathead Val, MT	5
Great Falls, MT	12
Mid-Val, OR	7
Pendleton, OR	9
Bremerton-Kitsap, WA	4
Yakima Val, WA	9
At Large	3

Total	62

Tracy Harden, PCS
CPI District 10 1st Vice President

2nd Vice President's Letter

Hi Everyone,

I hope that you and your family enjoyed the Holiday season. I can't believe that 2006 has come and gone, and 2007 is already here.

I am sure that you are all off to a good start with your new year. With your manuals in your hands you have the start of some very good meetings. Have a member be in charge of presenting a chapter or of finding a speaker to cover a topic. You may try a panel discussion as that will give you two or three different opinions about a single topic.

Please let me know how you handle presenting the topics in the manual and I will be happy to share them with the other associations. We are always looking to find new ways to present the topics. If you have a speaker on a different topic let me know that also and I will share it with everyone.

You may contact me at: Ruth Ann Aller, CCCE/MPCE, c/o Jason Mauseth, DDS, 1246 Yellowstone B-1, Pocatello, ID 83201; phone: 208-237-2462 or E-Mail ruthannaller@cablone.net.

I would like to leave you with this thought. "Listen to the silence between words...it's where the wisdom lies." Our wisdom lies with being a member of Credit Professionals International.

Smiles to you all,

Ruth Ann Aller, CCCE/MPCE
2nd Vice President

Junior Past President's Letter

Happy New Year!

Well, the packages have been opened, the decorations stowed for next year and now life can get back to normal – right???? HA! Now we start the cycle all over and that means determining who are going to be the new officers for District 10 CPI.

How about making your new years resolution to look at your involvement in CPI and make the decision to kick it up a notch.

Have you been the president for your local association, and are you a dues current member? These are the main requirements for a district office. So you ask yourself "Now why would I want to do that?" Are there things you would like to see changed? Do you have ideas for increased membership? How about increasing income without raising the dues? Do you wish you could be more involved in Credit Professionals but not sure how to do it? These questions can all be answered in the same way. **BECOME A DISTRICT 10 OFFICER!**

This is the first plea – please consider this next step in your commitment to Credit Professionals. Maybe there is someone else in your association or maybe you know someone in the District that would be interested but has not stepped forward. Call me at 406-761-8721 or email me at suec@cccsmt.org and lets talk.

Thank you!

Sue Cassell
Jr. Past President

Crier Editor's Message

It is my privilege to be Editor of *The Crier* for this year. I need each association to please send me an article of the events of your association so far this year to include in the Pre-Conference *Crier*.

This is a good chance for everyone to share ideas of things that have worked well for your association or to ask questions of other associations. Please e-mail to me at carrie.white@wamu.net. Deadline is February 15, 2007.

Thanks for your help,

Carrie White
Editor, *The Crier*

CPI DISTRICT 10 FUNDRAISER

I would like to ask each association and district officer to donate funds to me so that I may do some shopping for basket/raffle items. Please send your donation to:

Kris Hafliger
PO Box 2747
Great Falls, MT 59403

Plans include themed basket raffles, dollars in the air, bingo games, 50/50 and silent auction items.

If you have purchased items already that you would like to donate please contact me to make arrangements. To ensure a successful fund raising effort, please send your contributions by March 1, 2007. I look forward to seeing everyone at Conference in April.

Kris Hafliger
2007 District Fundraising Chair
406-453-5988

NOMINATION - INTERNATIONAL

District 10 is preparing to nominate Billie Plasker as an officer of CPI International.

Billie currently resides in Fairfax, Virginia, and is employed by the American Society of Civil Engineers as Accounts Receivable Coordinator. She is currently a member of Mid-Val CPI in Corvallis, Oregon.



The following statement summarizing her background, plans and goals as an international officer has been prepared by Billie for inclusion in that nomination:

“I began my journey with Credit Professionals in Great Falls, Montana in 1984. Since then, while

living in Montana and Oregon where I moved in 2000, I have served on numerous committees, established a new local association in Oregon and held officer position at the local and district levels, ultimately serving as District 10 President during 2003-2004.

I am temporarily working in northern Virginia and attend meetings in the Nations Capital CPI. I remain active in District 10 and am currently on the Advisory Board serving as the Budget Chairman.

I believe strongly in CPI, and especially appreciate the support each and every local CPI Association has provided as I moved geographically and changed jobs over the years. To become active on an International level is my way of returning to CPI the support and education that I have benefited from throughout my membership.

My goals for CPI are to help reinforce ongoing activities; to help retain the membership we have; and to encourage outreach with the goal of attracting new members. I believe CPI need to focus on our changing world, and assist our members who do not stay in one position or with one company for all of their professional lives.”

In this newsletter is an endorsement form (page 5) for each local to sign and send in showing our support for Billie. Please see that this is addressed at your local meeting and sent as soon as possible.

Donna Carollo, PCE
District 10 President, CPI

**Join Us in Silverdale,
Washington
April 26 – 29, 2007
2007 District 10 Conference**

**CREDIT PROFESSIONALS INTERNATIONAL
NOMINATING ENDORSEMENT FORM**

To: Presidents of Local Associations
From: Your District President

DISTRICT _____

Please complete this form and return to your District President by **January 1, 2007**

WE, THE MEMBERS OF _____
(Name of local association and city)

DO HEARTILY ENDORSE

(name of district nominee endorsed by your local association)

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE INTERNATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE AS A
CANDIDATE FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICE FOR THE YEAR 2007/2008

Date _____

Local Association President (signature) _____

Local Association Secretary (signature) _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM IMMEDIATELY TO YOUR DISTRICT PRESIDENT

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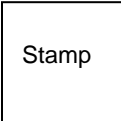
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