

Monmouth New Jersey Chapter AAPC Meeting
January 6, 2011

The meeting began shortly after 6:00 pm. Bonnie Ivler welcomed everyone, and wished all a Happy New Year. Introductions of all new officers were made. Congratulations were extended, and CPC pins distributed to those who most recently passed their certification exams, as well as two pins to Maria Sanchez for CPC-H and CPC-P.

Members were instructed of the importance of providing their membership numbers, in order for our chapter to be paid. All were requested to sign up at whoscoming.com, before each meeting, so that we may have the correct numbers for ordering food. They were also encouraged to bring a friend along to the meetings.

New Business:

Newsletter. It was discussed that we are going to start a chapter newsletter, which will include the following information: minutes of previous meetings, upcoming events, job postings, coding questions & answers, etc. Any information that members wish to share, or requests for topics to be covered, can be emailed to Kathy Wright at kathleen.wright@bchs.com.

Membership directory. Members were instructed that the directory will be available at the February meeting, and to please review and provide corrections as needed, so that it can be revised and mailed out to all current members. We will not be printing a new hard copy- we are going green!

Power Point Presentations. We will no longer be providing printed copies at meetings. Each member is responsible for printing out their own copy, which will be available one week before each meeting, at the AAPC website, under “my local chapter” event site.

Goals Our goal for this year is to become “Chapter of the Year,” and we believe that with our very popular “Coder's Day,” and other events, plus the enthusiasm of our members, we have a very real shot at this. Members were encouraged to get involved in any way that they can.

Upcoming Events May Mania, 5/14 at Renaissance in Ocean. Coder's Day, 10/29 at Branches. Volunteers welcomed.

Misc.

- Barbara Cobuzzi asked if there were any specialty coders that would be interested in developing a network of coders to assist members in obtaining specialty certifications.
- Bonnie Ivler informed members that if they are owed anything from the chapter, such as free Coder's Day, to please let her know, as that information had not been handed over from the previous administration.
- The chapter is looking into purchasing their own laptop computer. We will take a member vote at the next meeting.
- Volunteers to help set up and clean up at meetings were encouraged, and are always welcomed.

The meeting was turned over to our guest speaker, Claire Bartkewicz, who spoke about the importance

of networking in this field, and who created a Networking Bingo game to encourage members to interact and meet new people. Much fun was had, and prizes were given out to the first three winners: Sherry Driver, Felicia Bernstein and Maria Sanchez. Raffle was held, more prizes given out.

Members were reminded that the next meeting, on February 3, we will be celebrating Chinese New Year, as we do every February. The topic that night will be: "Let's RAC and Roll" All about the RAC.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Wright CPC
Secretary