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FROM THE PRESIDENT JEFFREY ROEMER, CPM

Greetings Society Members,
The American Academy of Certified Public Managers 19th Annual Professional Development Conference is almost here. The Wisconsin Society is hosting this national conference for the first time. The availability of premier educational programs and excellent networking opportunities with public managers from across the nation is astounding. The planning and efforts that our members have provided the last three years to put this event together has, and continues to, strengthen our Society.

I strongly encourage all of our members to attend this event. There are reduced price options for Wisconsin Society members, students and one day packages. Please take the time to visit our web site at www.WSCPM.com and don't miss the opportunity to attend this great conference. The last Board and Conference Planning Committee Meeting, before the conference, is August 17th in Madison and we would love to see more members attend.

WSCPM also has conference shirts available for purchase. The shirts are Lands End red mesh polo's with the conference logo on the chest. There are a limited number of sizes

available and we are selling them at a cost of \$30. If interested, reserve your shirt by sending a check made out to WSCPM to me at the address listed in the margin of the newsletter.

Please become an active member in our Society and join us at the conference. Our society is only as good as we all make it. It is our desire to see the Society continue to grow and provide exceptional training and networking for public managers in Wisconsin.

Hope to see you all soon,

Jeff Roemer
President

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Upcoming Activities

- **AACPM Conference Planning Final Meeting**, August 17, 2007, 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., Condo Clubhouse at Mark Evans residence, Madison. If you need directions contact Mark at morpho6@tds.net or call him at 608-663-5430. Agenda to include:
 1. Complete virtual program walk through
 2. Budget review
 3. Assignments & timelines
 4. Registration packet assembling
-Lunch will be provided -
- **AACPM Annual Conference, September 8-12, 2007**, The Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club, Madison.
- **"Green Building and Green Issues" Workshop by Steve Anderson of Johnson Controls - October 9, 2007**, 8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Plover Municipal Building, 2400 Post Road, Plover, WI.
- **WSCPM Annual Meeting, October 9, 2007**, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Plover Municipal Building, 2400 Post Road, Plover, WI.



Cathy was born and raised in Green Bay, Wisconsin. She has two sisters and one brother living and a brother who was killed at age 13. Cathy graduated from Southwest High School in 1975 where she was senior class president of a class of over 400 students. She has two Associate Degrees from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College and graduated from the Wisconsin Certified Public Managers® program in 1996.

Cathy began her career in the Brown County Register of Deeds office in 1979. After a personal challenge in 1984 Cathy successfully beat out 9 others at the ripe old age of 26 to become Register of Deeds for Brown County in 1985. She still holds that title. Only one other female has held the title “Brown County Register of Deeds” in the 160 years the office has been in existence and that woman only held office for one 2-year term.

During her 28 years in the office Cathy has literally seen the staff graduate from pens dipped in ink wells to receiving documents electronically. She embraces technology which has served her well in the ever changing world of document management.

Last year Governor Doyle appointed Cathy to the newly created Electronic Recording Council for Wisconsin. The mission of the council is to establish and maintain administrative rules with respect to the electronic recording of land records maintained by the Register of Deeds.

Cathy joined the Wisconsin Society of Certified Public Managers® shortly before she graduated from the program in 1995. Similar to her jump from an employee in the Brown County Register of Deeds office to elected Register of Deeds Cathy was nominated Vice-President of WSCPM at the first meeting she attended. She went on to serve as President and currently serves as Board Member at Large in charge of Communications. In her current role for WSCPM she publishes

the WSCPM Newsletter, oversees the edits to the Society web-site and is currently serving on the Program and Marketing sub-committees for the 2007 AACPM Conference.

Cathy is Vice-chair of the Brown County Land Information Office, past President and member of the Wisconsin Association of County Officers (WACO) and the Wisconsin Register of Deeds Association (WRDA). She is a founding member of the Wisconsin County Constitutional Officers Association (WCCO) and member of the Property Records Industry Joint Task Force, Wisconsin Land Information Association and former Chair of the Brown County Unified Safety Committee.

Cathy is active in many local organizations such as the Greater Green Bay YMCA where she served on its Board of Directors for 9 years. She currently is chair of the website committee for Project VOTE and serves on the St. Mary Hospital “A Women’s Place” advisory board and will become chair of this board on September 14, 2007.

Cathy enjoys time spent with her husband Mark and their blended families. Together they have three children, one son-in-law, a grand-daughter and a grandson on the way! Mark and Cathy enjoy traveling and spending time at their cabin in northern Wisconsin. Cathy’s favorite hobby is gardening and canning the fruits of her labor! She also enjoys downhill skiing, snowmobiling and hiking with her beloved Riley—a 12 year “young” Chocolate Lab.



Wilkinson Scholarships Support Professional Development

By Barbara Taft, MSM, CPM, CPO

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The American Academy of Certified Public Managers® (AACPM) provides annual scholarships to members who have pursued continued professional development while following a career in public management. In 1994, the Academy voted to name the existing scholarship program after Fran L. Wilkinson, the 1983 President of the Georgia CPM Society and the 1987 Chair of the National CPM Consortium, who died in 1990. The Wilkinson scholarships are awarded as a token of remembrance, affection, and esteem, and are intended “to promote a high professional, educational and ethical standard in public management,” one of the founding objectives of the AACPM.

Eligible members must complete the Scholarship application found on the following website: http://www.cpmacademy.org/Scholarship_Appl_2007.doc.pdf and submit it to the Scholarship Award Committee, PO Box 53009, Oklahoma City, OK 73152-3009 prior to the **August 15, 2007 deadline**.

Barbara Taft, MSM, CPM, CPO is the Committee Chair. If you have any questions, she can be reached at (405) 525-2612 X3007, or by e-mail at btaft@octp.org.

19th Annual AACPM National Professional Development Conference Madison, Wisconsin: 9-11 September 2007

By Mark H. Evans, CPM
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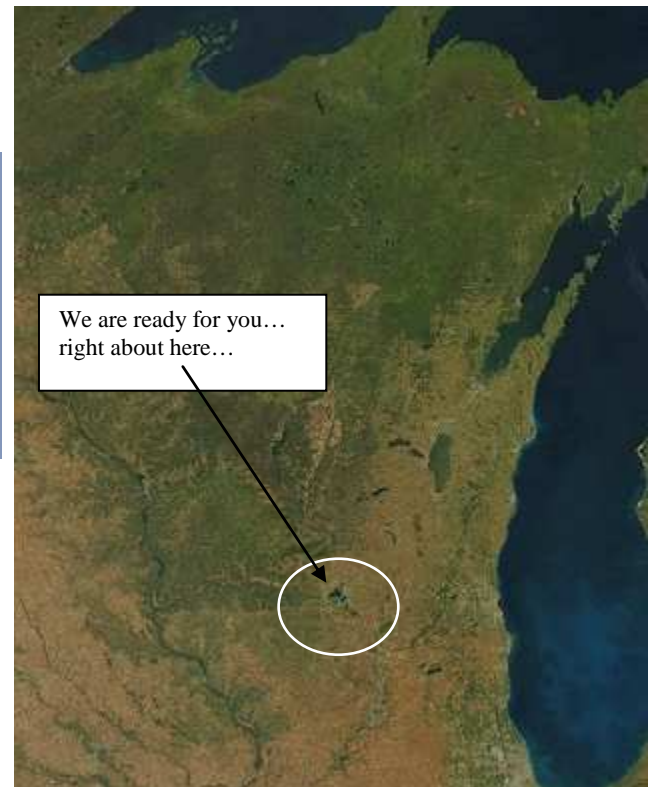
There are 3 types of people. You're all registered, have your lodging booked and know how to get to where you want to go. That's good. That's 1 type of person. OK. Then there's the folk who've got some stuff lined up but realize they haven't taken care of all 3 things: registration, lodging, transportation. That's the 2nd type. Review what you've got in place and become the 1st type. Then, there's the 3rd type. We want you to realize you have time to do this... but not much. So you need to act now. Just go to our Web site, www.wscpm.org and then click on the link on the left side of our home page that's labeled 2007 AACPM Conference. On that page, you'll see how to make sure you get your lodging and then you'll see all these links shown in the blue box below. You can check out our conference



Links to other Conference related information:

- * [Register Online](#)
- * [Other info & Wisconsin sites](#) to see while you are in Madison
- * [Transportation](#): How to get to the Concourse Hotel in Madison
- * [Conference Entertainment Venues](#): Tour Information
- * [Conference Schedule](#)
- * [2007 Conference Program](#)
- * [Iron Manager Competition](#) to be held at the Fish Boil
- * [Map of downtown Madison](#)
- * [Background on our 2007 Logo](#)

schedule and program and then register on-line. We also have links to information on other things you can do in the area, which is especially good for any of you who don't get to Madison as often as you'd like. ...and for any of you big-picture people, in case you need it, we've included a map right here to the right which will get you really close to where you're headed. It's up to you to make it the rest of the way... & become 1 of those 1st types of people. We'll have a great time, experience a remarkable line-up of speakers & presenters and get to meet a lot of wonderful and interesting people. You'll return to work better trained, refreshed and inspired. We are ready for you!



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The purpose of WSCPM is to improve the quality of managers in the public sector through promotion of comprehensive training, professional growth and high ethical standards of behavior. We also provide service consistent with efficient and effective management practices, along with demonstrating vision and competence in professional management.

Membership Benefits:

- Recognition of commitment to professional standards
- Association with other professional managers
- Awareness of new developments in theory and practice
- Opportunities to contribute to professional public management projects
- Career development through continuing education
- Membership in the American Academy of Certified Public Managers® (AACPM)

2007 AACPM Conference Planning Committee

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- Kathy Skiera
- Debby Roemer

Member News



From the Green Bay Press
Gazette July 18, 2007

“Jeffrey Roemer, President of the Menasha-based public safety consulting firm RW Management Group, Inc., will step in as interim Fire Chief for the Village of Suamico on August 8th on a six month contract.”

Roemer was formerly Fire Chief in Menasha and Public Safety Director in Allouez.

Roemer's duties are primarily to complete an organizational assessment of the volunteer fire department, looking at its needs and capabilities. He will then make a recommendation to the board. Suamico operates two fire stations with 36 volunteer firefighters. In the last five years, the village's population has grown by 20 percent.”