

The Society

Upcoming Meetings

- July 19, Edu Day
- August 16, Lunch
- September 20, Evening

Board ([New Board on page 3](#))

President - Ann Koralewski

1st VP - [Colleen Flage](#)

2nd VP - [Kelly Aleman](#)

Treasurer - [Marcia Teague](#)

Secretary - [Rhonda Rogers-Bardsley](#)

Planner Director - [Erica Chatman](#)

Supplier Director - [Laruin Fuller](#)

Planner Director - [Sue Wagner](#)

IPP - [Ann Koralewski](#)

Committees

Finance/Registration - [Marcia Teague](#), Candy Kaswinkel

Fundraising/Comm Svc - Vacant

Membership - [Brittany Myers](#) and [Rochelle Trygar](#)

Prog/Prof Dev - [Stephanie McBride](#), Lynne Palmer, Nancy Fischer and Valkyrie Aldrnari

Scholarship/Awards - Ann Koralewski

Communications - [Linda Urban](#), [Valkyrie Aldrnari](#), Stephanie McBride, Vickie Greene and Lori Murton

Elections - [Ann Koralewski](#)

Bylaws/Procedures - [Colleen Flage](#)

Virginia Hessels



It is with a heavy heart that we share news that our President, Virginia Hessels passed away on May 8, 2018.

Virginia was an active member of SGMP as long as many of us have known her. She gave her time and talents in various roles in committee work, and in her leadership on the board. We will share additional information as we receive it, regarding her celebration of life.

Her favorite charity was Helping Hands Pet Rescue. Friends are welcome to make donations on their website, in memory of Virginia.

<http://www.hhrescue.net/donate/make-donation/#>

SGMP National Education Conference 2018

Congratulations to the participating members and the membership committee for their efforts in this year's national membership drive. Our chapter won the award for the largest growth!

Another great year at SGMP NEC, this time in Norfolk VA.

Pictures: <http://www.sgmp18.eventphototracker.com/>

2019 SGMP NEC has been announced!
[Detroit!!](#)

Education Day

Thursday, July 19, 2018

8:30a-4:00p

Location: Hilton University of Florida Conference Center Gainesville
1714 SW 34th St, Gainesville, FL 32607

Registration is open! SGMP Education Day is coming up on Thursday, July 19. Please register at the link provided below. Looking forward to seeing you there! View the agenda on the [Registration Page!](#)



Thank You!!

Thank you Drury Inn and Experience Kissimmee for sponsoring our March meeting **How to use your CVB!** It was refreshing with a new location, delicious food and a timely topic. Also a big thank you to our panelists for sharing so much information.

Thank you Springhill Suites and Jason's Deli for sponsoring our April meeting **Safety Planning for your Event.** A big thank you to Lynne Palmer for presenting.

Thank you AC Hotel for sponsoring our May meeting and to Steph McBride for an enlightening program on **Precedence.**

Congratulations to the SGMP Central Florida Chapter 2018-2020 Board of Directors:

President: Colleen Flage, CMP

First Vice President: Brittany Myers, CGMP

Second Vice President: Kelly Aleman

Secretary: La'Zendra Danforth, CGMP

Treasurer: Marcia Teague

Directors: Kelly Meahl, Laurin Fuller, Susan Wagner

Immediate Past President: Ann Koralewski, CMP, CGMP

Programs Committee

If you've been looking for a way to become more involved with SGMP, or you've thought about ideas for chapter meetings but didn't know how to share them, contact [Steph McBride](#) to learn how you can contribute to this fun and active committee to help shape the next year our chapter's fun and learning.

Membership Committee

Do you enjoy helping others or have had an idea for recruiting new chapter members? Contact ? Brittany bmyers@srahec.org or Rochelle rochelle.trygar@marriott.com. No task is too small because "many hands make light work."

Communications Committee

Do you have any feedback? Ideas? Are you interested in joining the Communications Committee or helping with the newsletter? Contact [Valkyrie Aldrnari](#) or [Linda Urban](#)

Welcome!

Please welcome our newest members:

David Fortune—Holiday Inn & Suites Clearwater Beach

John Yarbrough—Doubletree by Hilton at the Entrance to Universal Orlando

Brandon Hall—Discover The Palm Beaches

Ting Chow—Empire Hospitality

Nicole Okicki—Empire Hospitality

Kari Thompson—Aloft

Margo Bennardo—Double Three by Hilton Orlando Downtown

Kellie Gustin—Grand Orlando Resort

Debora Bell—UF/IFAS Extension

Recent member certifications, awards, or recognition

If you have recently obtained any certifications, please let us know! We would love to share your accomplishments with our members. If you're interested in CGMP or CMP, please contact [Erica Chatman](#).

Membership Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following on their SGMP membership anniversaries in March, April, May and June!

Beth Miller-Tipton—UF—23 Years

Laura Dickinson—UF Dept of Neurosurgery—17 Years

Sheilachu Gomez—UF—14 Years

Candy Kaswinkel—UF/IFAS —11 Years

Margarita Di Salvo—ESCORT - Research Foundation of SUNY—8 Years

Erica Chatman—City of Gainesville—7 Years

Colleen Flage—UF Levin College of Law—6 Years

Amber Tison—UF FL Museum of Natural History—6 Years

Lynne Palmer—UF Reitz Union—6 Years

Jessalyn Fernandes—UF Vet Med—5 Years

Sky Wheeler—Ocala/Marion County VCB—5 Years

Jessica Song—UF Public Utility Research Center—4 Years

Rochelle Trygar—Residence Inn—4 Years

Vicki Tyson—Harn Museum of Art—4 Years

Danita Hurst—Crowne Plaza Hotel—4 Years

Shafi Watkins—Marriott International—3 Years

LaZendra Danforth—UF College of Pharmacy—2 Years

Lori Murton—UF Continuing Dental Education—2 Years

Stephanie Comstock—UF Levin College of Law—2 Years

Marjury Lamberson—Sweetwater Branch Inn—2 Years

Marcia Teague—Springhill Suites—2 Years

Brittany Caldwell—UF Veterinary Hospitals—2 Years

Laura Hampson—Suwannee River AHEC—2 Years

Brittany Myers—Suwannee River AHEC—2 Years

Erma Sams—Essence Events—2 Years

Amaris Spina—Suwannee River AHEC—2 Years

Nikki Wagner—UF Bergstrom Real Estate Center—2 Years

LeeEsther Wallace—2 Years

Alexis Lytle—Embassy Suites by Hilton, Tampa Downtown, Convention Center—1 Year

Nancy Vargas—Edge Hotel—1 Year

John Oney—RP Funding Center—1 Year

Belkis Ramos—The Barrymore Hotel Tampa Riverwalk—1 Year

James Hennessey—Renaissance Orlando Airport Hotel—1 Year

Connie Hunter—Discover the Palm Beaches—1 Year

Shawna Riggs—Embassy Suites Tampa Airport Westshore—1 Year

Karen Townsend—Visit Jacksonville—1 Year

Linda Urban—Sheraton Bay Point—1 Year