

President's Message
December 2009

The Holiday Season has arrived, and winter is quickly approaching. I know, myself, I have wondered if it had not arrived a bit early, especially with all the hustle and bustle of the wind and rain, but just maybe the weather wants to fit in with the fast paced holiday's we all enjoy this time of year. Although the wind and rain seems to have made November blow by quickly without leaving an impression, it actually left us with inspiring words of wisdom and training for our Chapter's Records Management Professionals.

For those of you who missed it we kicked off our "Creating Connections" Mentorship Program. Ember Krumwied, CRM, mentorship trainer, provided a workshop on the art of mentoring. The Puget Sound Chapter succeeded in encouraging its fellow Chapter member's to share their wealth of knowledge, and provided a streamlined avenue for inquiring minds to reach out and ask someone. I look forward to the journey ahead and the road to which our members successfully enhance their professional development by networking with each other to reach goals, grasp concepts and hurdle the bumps in the records management road. Take the reins of opportunity and join us at our future monthly meetings, so you too can take advantage of our Chapter's benefits and knowledge pool.

Our December meeting is the next upcoming event, and I am extending a special invitation to everyone to join us as we celebrate the Holiday Season in style. The Chapter will be providing a fabulous upgraded dinner, and provide you the chance to do a little holiday shopping too.

The elves at Santa's Workshop have been hard at work gathering auction items, and getting them ready for display. Rumor has it; the head elf will be making an appearance and helping us during the auction. This is going to be a night you don't want to miss. But, I want you to remember, this meeting is more than just an auction and a time for us to raise money to support the chapter; it is also a time to reminisce about the year, and network with your fellow Records Management Professionals. I know I will be there, probably with bells on. I hope to see you there too.

"You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give." Kahlil Gibran

I am proud to be a Puget Sound ARMA member. The resources, the networking opportunities and educational events are amazing and invaluable. I encourage you all to be the Leaders you were born to be. You each have a wonderful gift within that deserves to be shared with each other to grow, inspire and guide you to all of your goals.

Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,
Tara Ramos