



# UPDATE

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*Special points of interest:*

- Mark your calendar for the May 25th Tire Town Chapter Meeting
- Certification Exams May 7 and 8
- NEOLAN Meeting May 15 (Sponsored by Tire Town Chapter)
- ODAM: - June 25-27 Hilton Garden Inn Perrysburg, OH (Hosted by Glass City Chapter)

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**Submission Dates for future Updates:**

**June 4**

## President's Message

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May musings...

"It's May! It's May! The lusty month of May!... Those dreary vows that ev'ryone takes, Ev'ryone breaks. Ev'ryone makes divine mistakes! The lusty month of May!"- Lerner and Lowe

**NEOLAN** (North East Ohio Local Area Networking) is Saturday, **May 15<sup>th</sup>**, and I do hope that you will be able to come and see what it's all about! Make new friends, eat yummy treats, exchange ideas, gather some pointers, relax for a couple of hours and have some fun! Afterward, explore West Point Market – a gourmet market like no other!



**May 25<sup>th</sup>** will find us enjoying our Chapter meeting's featured speaker, our Ohio Division President, Laura Elvey, CPS. Hopefully she will share some stories of the behavior, tricks and activities of the animals from the Toledo Zoo where she is employed.

Have you sent in your registration for ODAM and/or EFAM yet? There's still time, but remember to let me know so that we can coordinate travel arrangements and rooming. Not only will you have a good time, but you'll probably learn something to take back to the office and share with your co-workers.

The following was copied for you from the latest issue of OfficePro Express:

### *Tips to increase your online efficiency*

With so much information available to us on the web these days, it's easy to spend more time than you'd like finding what you need. If you're looking to cut that time down or become more web-savvy, in general, check out CIO.com's "[28 time-saving tricks for Google, Facebook and more.](#)" If you're interested in getting the search results you want through Google, MakeUseOf's "[6 ways to reduce irrelevant results on Google search](#)" might also be of interest to you. Happy searching!

Signing off with a thought!

A month of awakening  
A month of remembrance

*Mary Alice*



*"Helping hands lighten the load"*  
**Mary Alice McLean, President**

**Nancy McGregor, President Elect**

**Alice Goers CAP, Vice President**

**Amy Tackett CPS, Secretary**

**Jennifer Dickey, Treasurer**

**Pattie Harris, Parliamentarian**

**Pam Pihlblad, Past President Advisor**



# April Meeting in Review



Betty Comstock, CPS received her 55 year membership certificate from Gloria Elliott, CPS, Membership Committee Chair

## Tire Town Chapter's Scholarship Winners

At the April Chapter meeting three scholarships were presented in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to three very deserving individuals!



Carli Kapusinski, Winner of the Marjorie W. Dull Memorial Scholarship



Mon Chan, Winner of the Geraldine White Memorial



Christine Lile, Winner of the Mary Louis Gamble Memorial Scholarship

# Feature Member: Beth Gohlke



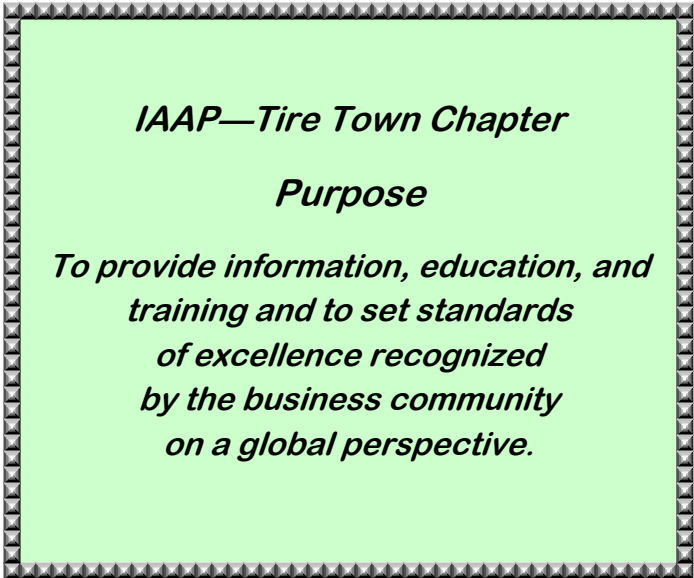
Beth Gohlke (right) with Joanne Harm, CPS

- 1. When did you join Tire Town Chapter?**  
June, 2002
- 2. Why did you join?**  
My youngest son, Christopher, was going to graduate from high school in a couple of years and I was looking for new and meaningful activities. My husband and I raised three sons and we were very involved in their activities when they were in school. The thought of becoming an empty nester with nothing to do did not appeal to me. It's also why I finally fulfilled a lifetime dream to get a real estate license.
- 3. Did any of the education seminars you attended over the course of your membership provide helpful knowledge to you in preparing for the real estate license exam?**  
I have always taken college courses and attended seminars since graduating from high school. I did not have the opportunity to graduate from college but I have always enjoyed studying, learning different subjects, and new software programs. The educational opportunities provided by IAAP just strengthened my desire to learn. I especially enjoy ODAM.
- 4. What do you believe to be the most profound and meaningful advantage of your membership?**  
When I hear "profound" and "meaningful", the first word that comes to mind is friendship. During good times and bad, during stressful times and joyful times, my IAAP friends are always there. I have made many friends in the past eight years who genuinely care about me both professionally and personally. It means the world to me.
- 5. The picture above shows you with Joanne Harm, CPS, who you previously advised was your mentor. What do you find to be the most important advice she gave you with regard to your membership in the Chapter?**  
I met Joanne when I was hired at Wright Tool in 2000. She taught me just about everything I needed to know to survive in the corporate environment at Wright. Early on, we had a software problem to solve and she just picked up the phone and called Arline Bratanov, who got an expert on the line and between the four of us, we figured it out. It was awesome. She never pushed me to join. She just made it seem so appealing. Tire Town is a big part of her life and talking about her activities and friends in the chapter just came naturally to her. The most important advice she gave me was to get involved!
- 6. You have been very active with the Scholarship Committee this year and in the past. What have you learned from the "younger" generation with regard to how they face the world career-wise? Do they receive advice and guidance from their mentors (teachers, parents, guardians)? Do they look at the world realistically?**  
Serving on the Scholarship Committee is an opportunity to meet the best of the best. It's a chance to make a difference. It's not only the money; it's validation that hard work and dedication can pay off. The applicants can have a wonderful, supportive family or they can be on their own. They are single mothers or they are working to help single mothers support the family. Their parents are executives or blue collar workers, they are being raised by grandparents, or they have fathers in jail. It varies from year to year, but there is always one constant—they are our future! They find mentors at work, in the neighborhood, and at church. They do what they need to do to excel. They are bright, wise, brave, and filled with boundless energy. The world is smaller in their eyes and they have big dreams and ambitions. I think it's realistic to reach for the stars!
- 7. What do you see for the future of Tire Town Chapter's existence?**  
With a few tweaks in procedures, Tire Town will continue to serve the Akron-area Administrative Professionals in the future.
- 8. If you were asked to mentor a new, young member coming into the organization, what would you tell him/her?**  
I would tell them the same thing Joanne told me—get involved! It enriches your IAAP experience.
- 9. Do you plan to stay in Tire Town Chapter after you retire (becoming a merited member)? Why? (Or Why Not)?**  
I will stay in Tire Town after I retire from Wright. I hope to enjoy good health and stay busy and productive.
- 10. Since you joined Tire Town Chapter in June, 2002, is there one year that stands out for you over another? What year would that be and why?**  
My first few years in the Chapter stand out to me. It had been many, many years since I was involved in an organization except for PTA. I started right away serving on committees and the Board to find my comfort level. I have very fond memories of my trips to ODAM. I think I've only missed one. I highly recommend them.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May	June
1 Luana Johnson	14 Catharine Hubble, CAP
3 Paulette Carswell	15 Jane Hecht
4 Betty Comstock CPS	18 Amy Tackett
11 Pam Ryan	19 Barbara Reinfeld
12 Angela Brown	27 Pat Pracht
15 Tammy Pinson	
16 Arline Bratanov	
22 Jo Johnson-Sherard, CPS/CAP	



***Remember to submit your reservation!***

**May Chapter Meeting**  
***“Honor Charter & Merited Members”***  
***Annual Meeting & Election of Officers***

**Tuesday, May 25, 2010**  
**Sheraton Suites Akron / Cuyahoga Falls**

**Social Hour: 5:00 PM**

**Dinner: 6:00 PM**

**Business Meeting: 7:00 PM**

**Program**  
**Laura Elvey, CPS**  
**“Ohio Division’s Role”**

# NORTHEAST OHIO LAN

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TIRE TOWN CHAPTER  
AKRON, OHIO

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SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2010

10:00 a.m.

AFA'S LIFE CENTER

857 Mull Avenue  
(exit 132 of I-77)

COME EARLY AND SIGN – IN

ENJOY SOME OF TTC MEMBERS' SPECIALTY ITEMS



SHARE LAUGHTER AND IDEAS



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