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New Members

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Meeting Information

Chapter Meeting Attendance

August 2012
Members: 30
Visitors: 4
Chapter Membership: 113

September 2012
Members: 24
Visitors: 5
Chapter Membership: 115

[NAPO-LA Board of Directors](#)

NAPO-LA Calendar

November

26 Board Meeting 2:45pm
Chapter Meeting 6:15pm

President's Message

Technology: A Double Edged Sword

By Nadine Levy



As a business owner, coach, speaker, life partner, parent, volunteer, worker-bee extraordinaire (and/or however else you routinely categorize yourself), how have the advances in technology made an impact on you and your clients?

"The march of technology is motivated by the hope that it will lead to happiness at the end of the rainbow" Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi

Take a moment to contemplate these questions by recounting your daily activities. Give some thought to how you spend your time now in comparison to 10 or 15 years ago. Ask yourself the following:

- a) What is the last technology-centric (or computer based) thing you do before you go to sleep each night?
- b) How much time passes from when you shut down your device until you turn off the light and go to sleep in the evening. Before you retire for the night, do you spend quality time connecting with your partner or roommate? Do you read a book?
- c) Upon waking up, when do you start using your devices in the morning? Immediately after you open your eyes, before your feet have hit the ground? After you have had your coffee?
- d) Where does your Smart Phone live while you are sleeping? Is it always within arms reach (i.e. on your nightstand)?
- e) How do your responses to these questions today compare to what they would have been in year's past?

"Never before in history has innovation offered promise of so much to so many in so short a time" Bill Gates

It is virtually impossible to ignore the positive impact the advances in technology have made in our society. The Internet and mobile devices have brought information to our fingertips instantly. Software programs and Apps allow us to do specific tasks more efficiently and at a higher level of productivity. By utilizing tools such as Cloud-based systems, Webinar & Teleconference portals, and web-based payroll systems -- valuable time previously spent on mundane tasks has significantly decreased. Multi-tasking has taken on a completely new meaning and has gradually become the norm. Telecommuting enabled by remote access to data has eliminated hours and hours of wasted commute times. These tools and advancements have enabled us to work concurrently rather than sequentially. As a result, the information sharing and collaboration is exponentially more dynamic and more interesting during this period of digital growth versus what existed in the analog age.

The praise for technological advancement, its availability to the masses, and the relative ease of use is remarkable. It makes you wonder how human beings ever survived in a manual, analog society, let alone lived productive lives without all of the gadgets, gizmos and devices that we now use on a daily basis. An assumption has been made that if we implement the newest, latest and greatest Apps, we will absolutely save time, avoid human error, and make most aspects of conducting business and/or running a household easier. Hmmm . . . Such assumptions may also makes you wonder...

- a) Do all of the new and improved programs and gadgets actually save time or do they eat away at our time? Has technology simplified the way you run your business/home or has it brought on new complications?
- b) Has your concept of time changed? Has the volume of your workload increased, while the expectation of job completion time remained the same?
- c) What is considered to be a reasonable amount of turn around time from when you receive an email to when you respond to it? Is everything urgent and/or require immediate attention? Do you experience a Pavlovian response to the dinging notifications from your Inbox?
- d) Is being "on call and accessible" to your clients via cell phone, text and email a good thing? Or does it invade your personal time? Or both? At what point does your workday officially start and officially end?
- e) If you spend all of your waking hours connected to an electronic device, when do you decompress? Is it possible to ever be 100% present in mind and spirit, when the device on your hip or in your purse is vibrating/ringing every few minutes?
- f) When was the last time you left your cell phone at home while spending an afternoon or an evening with someone special in your life?

On the flip side of the equation, technology has created challenges that have been undesirable. Notable is its impact on interpersonal communications.

"It has become appallingly obvious that our technology has exceeded our humanity"
Albert Einstein



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Technology has lulled us into a false sense of connectivity with friends and family. We have become voyeurs of social media, developing a false belief that we are in touch with people much more than in reality. We know more and more about people while spending significantly less time getting to know them or getting together with them. It really does make you wonder whether we have made advancement or whether we have taken a step backwards.

"Technological progress has merely provided us with more efficient means for going backwards." Aldous Huxley

Technology appears to have stunted the development of our core skills. Our starting point is further down the development time line and we are missing out on learning and mastering basic skills. Instead of using a dictionary, we allow the spell check function to correct mistakes for us. The younger generation no longer sees a need to fully grasp basic arithmetic because their electronic devices will do it for them. Consider this: Have you ever had the experience of a malfunctioning computerized cash register, requiring the cashier to calculate manually --- and they cannot do it? Scary, yet real. With applications like MapQuest readily available, the skills necessary to read a Map or utilize a Thomas Guide are dwindling towards extinction. Due to the ease of use of search engines, research is primarily being conducted on-line and individuals are relying on databases like Wikipedia, irrespective of their accuracy or context.

One thing for certain is that whether you like and embrace technology or not, it is here to stay. The lines have become blurred, the boundaries have shifted, and progress has been redefined. We no longer have a clear delineation between when work stops and our personal time starts.

NAPO-LA Chapter Meeting

Chapter Meeting

From Professional Development Director
Regina F. Lark, CPO

NAPO-LA endeavors to bring you interesting and engaging programs and speakers geared toward enriching your personal and professional development. I draw your attention to the speakers for our next three chapter meetings. For November, I've invited Home Staging specialist Aimee Miller to share with us the myriad ways we can help our clients ready their house for a big move. January is our annual Leadership Forum, in place of our regular chapter meeting. At our February 2013 meeting, Associate Professor of American Studies, Dr. Carrie Lane, will present findings from her ongoing research on the world of Professional Organizers. In March 2013, we will hear from Yael Hagen, a disability rights activist, who will share tips and strategies for organizing for people with physical disabilities.

As Chapter members network or attend speaking events I encourage you to pass along the names of people whom you found particularly rewarding, compelling, or fun!

When: Monday, November 26, 2012
Time: 6:15PM - 8:30PM
Where: Olympic Collection, 11301 Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles
Cost: Level 1 NAPO-LA Members: \$15
Level 2 NAPO-LA Members: Free
Visitors: \$25

If you have an idea for a Chapter topic or presenter please don't hesitate to write or call: Regina@AClearPath.net 818-400-9592

Organizing Awards

Prepare to get your glam on and celebrate the successes of the past year in professional organizing!



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January 26, 2013

Hosted by: Trish Suhr of Clean House
and NAPO Los Angeles and NAPO New York at the
"Hotel of the Stars," Sheraton Universal Hotel in
Universal City, California.

"Dreaming Big. Shining Bright."

The 7th Annual Organizing Awards

Some of the biggest names in organizing will be in one room on January 26 to celebrate the best in the industry.

The experts that dole out organizing help to the disorganized masses via their books, talk show appearances and TV makeover shows will be at The 7th Annual Organizing Awards at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Universal City.

Peter Walsh, a New York Times bestselling author and regular contributor on the Rachael Ray Show, will be presenting an award - and possibly picking one up.

"The Awards are an outstanding and entertaining way to bring attention to the best work being done by our peers in this ever-evolving, ever-important industry," said Walsh, whose former show on the Oprah Winfrey Network, "Extreme Clutter," is nominated for "Best Show Incorporating Organizing on National Television."

A&E's hit show "Hoarders" is nominated in the same category. One of the show's organizing experts, Dorothy Breininger, will also be a presenter.

The stars of the Style Network's "Clean House" will also be joining the fun. Mark Brunetz is presenting an award. His book, "Take U Out of Clutter," is nominated for "Best Organizing Book." Trish Suhr, who was known on the show as the "Yard Sale Diva," will be hosting the event.

"What makes the Organizing Awards special for me," Suhr said, "is that it's all the folks that I look up to and respect in the business."

You don't want to miss any of it! Tickets are on sale now at the \$110 early bird rate available through Nov 30th. After that, tickets for The 7th Annual Organizing Awards will be \$135! Stay tuned to OrganizingAwards.com for further details. Be sure to watch NAPO Los Angeles on facebook and follow @NAPOLosAngeles on Twitter #OrgAwards.

To get directly involved in this star-studded evening, please come to our next Awards Task Force meeting on December 8th. We need your help to put together an event NAPO will remember for years to come! Please join us.

We need the following volunteers for the upcoming Organizing Awards:

Assistant Script Writer:

This person will get trained on script writing for the Organizing Awards. What a great learning opportunity!

Visit www.organizingawards.com for all the details!

Like us on Facebook for up-to-date special announcements.

Follow us on our new Twitter account @NAPOLosAngeles and #orgawards.

Follow The Organizing Awards Blog: <http://organizingawards.wordpress.com/>.

Golden Circle

Are You Prepared For Disasters?

YOUR BUSINESS

National Preparedness Month is in September each year; it's never too late to participate. Businesses large and small are getting ready. Fires, floods, windstorms, earthquakes, all disasters are devastating. Emergencies strike with little or no warning. If one were to hit your area, you will be affected physically, financially and emotionally. Is your business prepared with a plan in place, in case an unexpected event happens?

According to Business Wire 9/7/12, [Staples and National Safety Council Team Up to Raise Disaster Planning Awareness Among Small Businesses.](#)

It's vital to be in control, as much as possible, after a catastrophic event. Businesses must get back on track immediately. Your customers and other businesses that rely on you are impacted if your business is not operational. Also, if insurance claims are necessary, specific information will be required.

Preparedness Plan For Businesses



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Articles

NAPO-LA members are encouraged to contribute to this newsletter. Articles are not to exceed 500 words in length. Submissions must be received by the Editor no later than the 20th of the month prior to the month of publication. You may send your article as a Microsoft Word document or directly in the body of an email. Photos should be .jpg, 72 dpi, sent with your article. All article topics and content must be approved by the Editor. Submit editorial to editor@napola.org

Advertising

Ads must be received by the 20th of the month prior to the month of publication. There are two types of ads available.

Website Link: This is a small ad containing a link to your website, located in the left side column of the newsletter. The ad can be your logo, a photo, or a short message.

Format: .jpg, 72 dpi, 125 pixels w x 100 h.
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Block Ad

This is a large block located at the end of the newsletter providing details about your company or service, along with a logo and/or photo. **Format:** Submit ad copy (100 words max) as a Word document and email with logo and photo as .jpg, 72 dpi.

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- Supplies - emergency kit including chargers & batteries, food & water
- Resources - suppliers, vendors, etc.

You can protect your business, be informed, have a plan. Visit www.ready.gov/business, www.redcross.org/prepare and www.fema.gov/mobile.

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YOUR HOME

A home inventory can come to your aid in a number of circumstances.

- It can be crucial for filing insurance claims after a fire, theft or natural disaster. It can help you determine whether you need additional insurance coverage for valuables such as jewelry, antiques or collectibles.
- In an emergency, the inventory can direct your spouse or designated agent to important documents.
- It can help maintain good family relationships by telling survivors how you want household furnishings and personal belongings not specifically bequeathed by your will to be allocated.

Most people don't do this because it takes time, feels overwhelming, and it can be a highly emotional process.

How To Get Started

1. Break the project down into manageable pieces. Make a list of important documents and where you keep them. Put the list and documents your spouse or agent would need in a fire-resistant safe that carries an Underwriters Laboratories rating indicating its ability to protect contents during a fire.

2. Make copies and store them away from home, say at your lawyer's office, in a safe deposit box or with your children. Next, list the things that mean most to you and your family. Begin with jewelry or silverware - whatever has great sentimental or monetary value. Photograph each item, noting on the back or in a notebook the location, estimated or appraised value and the name of the person you want to have it after you're gone.

3. Proceed one room at a time. Take a few pictures of the room. Then narrow your focus to photographing specific items such as wall hangings, rugs and furniture. Finish up with pictures of the contents of closets and drawers.

This article was published in [Kiplinger's Retirement Report](#) -- February 1996

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GOLDEN CIRCLE LISTSERV

Are you a member of the Golden Circle ListServ? Open only to Golden Circle members, this ListServ allows more seasoned professional organizers to network with each other. To get started, log into www.napo.net and go to the Golden Circle Page. In the second paragraph you will see a link for the Golden Circle ListServ. Clicking the link will allow you to go to the page to sign up for the ListServ. Once approved, you can post to the ListServ by sending an email message to golden-circle@lists.napo.net.

NOTE: Qualifications for Golden Circle membership include five years in business as a professional organizer and one year as a NAPO member. Quarterly meetings are held in the homes of Golden Circle members, where we network, share information, and get to know each other on a more personal level.

All eligible Golden Circle members are invited to join the Los Angeles Area Golden Circle. Chapter membership is not required; NAPO National membership is. More information is available on the NAPO National website or by email at goldencircle@napola.org

NAPO-LA Professional Organizers Learning Academy

THE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZERS LEARNING ACADEMY PRESENTS...

What Every Organizer Should Know About Organizing Apps

In this 2 hour session, you will learn how to use (and teach your clients how to use) apps to manage your calendar, your task list, your electronic statements, and your contact relationship manager (CRM.) You will learn how to manage life in the cloud utilizing apps that are cross platform (i.e. they work on both Mac and PC) and cross device (i.e. they work on your mobile device as well as your desktop or laptop.) You'll get an overview of the apps most loved by organizers and their clients, an understanding of which features to consider when evaluating apps and step by step instructions on how to

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Membership

NAPO National Membership

Annual Dues

\$230 - Active Member*
\$150 - Associate-Branch
\$250 - Associate-Local
\$300 - Associate-Corporate
\$20 - Processing Fee

Provisional member dues are \$200 plus a one-time \$20 processing fee. You are an active member if you have completed your provisional membership year, or are a new NAPO member with more than one year of professional organizing experience.

NAPO National dues can be paid online. Proof of paid dues is required at time of joining NAPO-LA. NAPO National submits its renewal notices directly to members on their anniversary dates. NAPO-LA annual membership dues are renewed each September. You can also join NAPO-LA online.

NAPO-LA Chapter Membership

Regular Members

Dues are prorated 25% quarterly.
Level 1 - \$125 (does not include \$15 meeting fee)
Level 2 - \$190 (includes all meeting fees)
Yearly dues and Website Listing in the "Find an Organizer" section of our website.
\$25 - One-Time Processing Fee
\$25 - Lapsed Member Processing Fee

Associate Members

Dues are prorated 25% quarterly.
\$175 - Branch Associate Member
- Local branch or regional office of a Corporate Associate Member
\$300 - Local Associate Member
- Locally-based, self-operating retailer, supplier, designer, or independent sales representative engaged primarily in the manufacture, distribution, and/or sale of organizational equipment, supplies, or organizing-industry related services.

NOTE:

All members are required to sign a Code of Ethics as part of their membership.

[For more information on becoming a NAPO-LA member, click here](#)

[For the NAPO Code of Ethics, click here](#)

Chapter Photo Albums

Follow these steps on napola.org to view our chapter's pictures!

Go to: <http://www.napola.org>
Roll over Media tab
Click Photo Album Archives
Click on "click here" link

use a few of my favorites.



Katherine Macey, Ph.D., is founder of Organize to Excel. She's a geek when it's practical and can't be bothered when it's not. She doesn't know how to play the video games her kids do, but does know how to change the power supply in her computer. Katherine earned her Ph.D. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from the University of Canterbury, New Zealand. She combines her technical background with her love of organizing, providing solutions that inspire excellence. Katherine and her team at Organize to Excel specialize in organizing for busy moms and productivity and efficiency consulting for service professionals. Katherine has served on the NAPO-LA Board since May 2009 as VP, P, IPP and is currently the Director of Communications and Technology.

SAVE THE DATE ~ REGISTER NOW

When: Monday, February 25, 2013

Time: 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm -- prior to NAPO-LA meeting

Where: Olympic Collection, 11301 Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles

Cost: NAPO-LA Members \$25 -- Non-Members \$35

Add \$10 if registering after Thursday, February 21, 2013

Register: Online at www.napola.org

Advance registration and payment required

Registration will close Thursday, February 21st

No refunds for POLA sessions. If you are unable to attend this class, the fee will be applied toward another POLA class within one year's time.

For more information: contact_pola@napola.org.

For details about NAPO-LA Education Committee classes, visit www.napola.org, click on Education Tab.

Volunteer in NAPO-LA

Below is a list of the open volunteer opportunities currently available with your NAPO Los Angeles Chapter.

New Member Orientation Chair and Assistant (or Co-Chairs)

The positions need to be filled ASAP. This is a great and rewarding opportunity for those who are natural "cheerleaders" for NAPO-LA and the organizing business.

Description: Be the first face of NAPO-LA to our incoming members, making them feel welcome and orienting them on all NAPO-LA offers and how they can make the most of their chapter membership.

Tasks: Lead the NMO meetings held from 3:30pm to 5:00pm monthly (before our regular chapter meetings). Welcome new members with an email letter and invite them to attend the NMO and report to the board on attendance. Agenda and handout templates have already been created.

Proofreader

The Proofreader provides editing services to the bi-monthly LA Organizer newsletter. This position assists the Editor and Publisher in producing the most accurate information to its readers. It requires a few minutes of time every other month. Knowledge of grammar, punctuation, formatting is required.

Silent Auction Coordinator

The Silent Auction Coordinator asks veteran members to donate an hour of their time for the Auction. The coordinator collects a bio and picture to read and then pass around at the meeting. The Silent Auction Coordinator is a great opportunity to get to know other members of the Chapter. It requires a small time commitment and it's a lot of fun!

General Information

For most positions no experience is necessary and any training needed will be provided. The time commitment can vary depending on the position but most require just a few hours each month and can be worked around your schedule. Volunteering is an excellent way to make the most of your chapter membership, make new business and personal contacts and give back to the chapter that offers you so much in return.

If you have questions, comments or would like to volunteer, you can contact the Director of Administration, Susana Enriquez, at administration@napola.org or the board/committee member directly.

Volunteer of The Month

Michelle Powell

What is your business name and website?

Some Like It Organized
somelikeitorganized.com

Where do you live and where do you do business?

I'm in Echo Park, and I work in the greater Los Angeles area.



How many years have you been in business?

almost 1!

How did you get into organizing as a profession?

Typical story...I was simply organizing and helping out friends and family and realized this was a passion of mine. I discovered NAPO and the rest is history.

Where are you from originally?

Mostly Southern California, but also lived in the midwest and Florida for a while when I was young.

What are your main organizing interests or specialties?

I love everything about moving/relocation. I also enjoy focusing on residential organizing with specialties including digital organizing, Feng Shui, interior design and space planning.

What do you like to do when you aren't organizing? Hobbies? Interests?

I love music and go to shows and festivals quite regularly, since my husband's company is in the music industry. Another passion of mine is holistic living. I'm always researching and learning about eco lifestyles, health food and natural self care & spa products. I'm actually about to launch a store of luxury body scrubs in the next couple weeks!

Tell us about your family. Married, Single, Children, Pets?

I have been married for 6 years to my husband Ryan, and we have two dogs, Milo & Otis

How did you come to join NAPO and NAPO-LA?

I found NAPO online through my research on Professional Organizing. I was SO happy to find such a credible association that centered around something like this. I had immediate goals and dreams once I found out what NAPO and NAPO LA were about.

What has been your experience volunteering in NAPO-LA and what do you consider the benefits of volunteering?

My experience has been great getting to know all of you wonderful people. I'm also learning and growing as an organizer through the various tasks that I help with, as my time allows. The benefits are definitely connecting with and knowing more members, plus working as a team to create and help run all that encompasses NAPO LA. Whatever I end up volunteering for is usually something I really enjoy, so that is always fun. I hope to continue helping out in many ways over the next year.

Institute for Challenging Disorganization

Education through Teleclasses

What are teleclasses?

ICD teleclasses are designed to enhance your knowledge and effectiveness when working with chronically disorganized clients. Teleclass topics appeal to diverse interests and all expertise levels. For example, ICD has teleclasses on attention deficit disorder, time management and productivity, mental health issues, physical challenges, learning styles, and hoarding life transitions and much more. At 60 minutes long, these classes are easy to fit into your busy schedule and may be counted for CEUs for BCPO recertification, for credit in earning business-enhancing certificates through the ICD, or simply as a way to increase your professional skills.

Try a public teleclass for \$10

The ICD offers four general public teleclasses: Understanding Chronic Disorganization, Introduction to ADD, Introduction to ADHD and Procrastination, and Introduction to Hoarding. After registering online, you will receive an email with instructions to access the recording. You have a two-week window to listen to the class from the time you receive access instructions. Then take a brief survey at the end of the class.

Now that you have sampled the public classes, do you want more?

While public teleclasses aim for a general audience, subscriber (member) teleclasses specifically address the organizer-client relationship. ICD offers approximately four teleclasses for ICD subscribers each month. These, live classes, last one hour, from 8-9 pm Eastern Time, and happen on the same weeknight for three months, with a quarterly rotation, for example the 1st quarter is Monday, 2nd quarter is Tuesday, etc.

Teleclass schedules are posted on the ICD website (<http://www.challengingdisorganization.org>). Online registration is available as soon as teleclasses are posted. You can sign up for one at a time or for an entire quarter.

Here's how it works: First you register online. Next, a few days prior to the teleclass you will receive an email explaining how to call in via phone line or Skype and giving you a link to the PDF teleclass handout. You will also receive information about how to obtain credit for the teleclass, and how to cancel your registration from the class if necessary. Premier subscribers have the option to listen and receive credit for teleclass recordings at the time of their choosing.

Can the teleclass be used for BCPO credit?

To receive BCPO credit for a class, "the course must contribute to your ability as an organizing practitioner to better serve your client. If the course allows you to increase your own skills or your ability to teach or transfer knowledge and/or skills to the client, you have chosen an eligible course."¹

Teleclass pricing:

- Premium subscribers (\$370 annual fee) may attend all teleclasses without charge. They also have unlimited access to teleclass recordings required for ICD certificates, one month access to non-required teleclasses for ICD certificates, and six month access to non-required recorded classes. This equals more than 50 hours of education available!
- Standard subscribers (\$250 annual fee) pay \$35 per class and have access to approximately 20-recorded classes that are required for Level I certificates. This a la carte option is an alternative for those expecting to take fewer classes.

Education. Research. Strategies.

CD Clients - Support Group



CD CLIENTS - SUPPORT GROUP FOR NAPO-LA CHAPTER MEMBERS

If you are working consistently and on an ongoing basis (at least one year or more) with chronically disorganized clients, you are invited to participate in an informal support group.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 8th. The topic will be "Dual Diagnoses (Co-Morbidities)." Meeting time is from 6:00-8:30pm. Time will also be spent sharing our individual client issues. Limited to 12 attendees. A simple pot luck is planned.

To RSVP or for further information, contact Jean Furuya at Jean@TheOfficeJeanie.com or 310.316.1753.

NAPO-LA Neighborhood Groups

Tell us what's happening in your neighborhood...

Burbank/Glendale/Pasadena

In September we met for breakfast at Ashley Stanfield's home. Our topic was "Legal Forms and Questions," and we were able to share our different ideas on Client contracts, subcontractor contracts, and other legal questions.

Our next meeting is November 8th. Be sure to contact Cari if you are in our area and would like to join our group.

San Fernando Valley

We met on October 14th in Northridge. A big thank you to Christie Gelsomino of 'Vision to be Organized' for her very amazing and informative presentation on photo organizing. Christie spoke about how to identify the approximate year of a photo simply based on the size of the photographs. She educated the group on the difference between photo sharing and photo storing programs, as well as the various ways to back up your pictures. Due to the holidays, we are skipping our December meeting and will resume in February, possibly Sunday, February 10th at 10:30am.

Many of the Neighborhood Groups hold informal bimonthly meetings throughout the Los Angeles area. A benefit of chapter membership, these offshoots of NAPO-LA offer education, networking and support. Check below for the group nearest you and contact the Facilitator for information on the next meeting.

If you'd like to volunteer as a Facilitator for one of the open groups, please contact Committee Chair Kathryn Masci by email at neighborhoods@napola.org.

Burbank/Glendale/Pasadena: [Cari Dawson](#), Facilitator

Hollywood: [Beth Ziegler](#), Facilitator

South Bay: [Roxanne Hoerning](#), Facilitator

San Fernando Valley: [Janet Fishman](#), Facilitator

NAPO Los Angeles

Mission Statement: NAPO-LA is the organizing industry leader committed to providing the public with resources; providing professional organizers with education and support; and providing related industry professionals with unique channels for their products and services.

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