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By Nadine Levy



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Meeting Information

February Chapter Meeting Attendance

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Members: 35
Visitors: 7

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Dear Chapter Members,

Well, we pulled it off! With a lot of hard work and tireless dedication, our incredibly talented Task Force *did us proud* by working together to manage and execute a fantastic 7th Annual Organizing Awards. We created an opportunity for all NAPO members to breathe in the glory of who we are individually, what we represent as a group, and to truly appreciate the way each Productivity and Organizing Professional has made a difference in someone else's life. If we combine all of our Members' efforts, we have made a tremendous impact on our client's lives thus far . . . and we are not done yet!

In the face of strife, unforeseen challenges, a significant lack of volunteer participation, and extremely mixed emotions, the Task Force Members were able to rally together and demonstrate what a group is able to accomplish when we work together towards achieving something for the greater good. Personal feelings and opinions aside, the Task Force Members rose above and beyond the call of duty by giving of themselves in a multitude of ways. It is important for us to remember this year's Organizing Awards event, not just for the social enjoyment and professional recognition that it provided, but more so, for the lessons that it imparted. In order for our Chapter to retain our highly esteemed reputation, NAPO LA must occasionally swallow its pride, do more when we have less, and simultaneously take into account that *"together we are better"* is equivalent to team-work, participation, and support from *everyone*.

In case you've been hiding under a rock for the past few months, I have included a copy of one of the event press releases for your reading pleasure.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Los Angeles, California
January 26, 2013

The Los Angeles Chapter of the *National Association of Professional Organizers* (NAPO-LA) presented our 7th Annual Organizing Awards on January 26, 2013, at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Universal City. Comedienne Trish Suhr, known for her role as the "Yard Sale Diva" on Clean House, the home improvement TV Show seen on the Style Network hosted the Awards Ceremony. The Professional Organizing and Productivity industry handed out 25 awards ranging from Best Home Organizing Product, to Closet Design Firm, to Best Green Organizing Service and Product (complete list of categories appears below).

The theme of this year's Organizing awards was *Dreaming Big - Shining Bright* and recognized the best in the Professional Organizing and Productivity industry. Professional Organizers who set the standard for home and business productivity were acknowledged for their accomplishments, along with those products and services that help consumers and businesses organize anything and everything. This year's awards honored individuals and/or companies that represent the best of the best in the Professional Organizing and Productivity industry.

"Being nominated for an organizing award by your colleagues is one of the highest honors in the professional organizing and productivity industry. It is validation from peers of the success you have achieved and the mark that you have made within this profession", says Nadine Levy, NAPO LA President. This year the Awards were attended by several members from the NAPO National Board of Directors; including President, Angela Wallace, President Elect, Mary Dykstra, Treasurer, Sandy Stelter, Industry Directors Ellen Faye and Kate Brown, in addition to, Executive Director, Lucy Erdelac. Levy adds, "NAPO Los Angeles was thrilled to host this event and continue

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the tradition of excellence."

About the Organizing Awards

The Organizing Awards has a dual purpose. First and foremost, it is to honor outstanding achievements and contributions to the organization and productivity profession and to recognize professional organizers, organizing retailers, organizing products, services and resources, charities, technology providers, authors and the media. Secondly, it is produced and advertised to increase public awareness and raise funds.

This highly prestigious event brings innovation and acknowledgement to our growing profession by honoring those that stand out in the organizing industry. The Gala Industry Exchange offered a multitude of exhibitors who feature new products, services and technologies, all designed to show case the benefits of better personal productivity, time saving techniques and the advantages of living in a streamlined home and office environment - just what the organizing awards are all about.

This year's sponsors included City National Bank, 1-800-Got-Junk, Wells Fargo Advisors, Blackrock Investment, Polsinelli Shughart Law Firm, TCB Insurance, The Container Store, Office Max, SMEAD, Avery Dennison, ACCO Brands, The Tote Buddy, Citrix/Go To Meeting, Neatreceipts, Fujitsu, Neatnix, Gladiator, Martha Stewart Office with Avery, PODs, Beezley Management, Steri-Clean, OrganizIT!, Esselte, Go Junk Free America, and [Organize.com](#).

NAPO-LA Chapter Meeting

Chapter Meeting

Now is an exciting time to be a professional organizer. NAPO and the organizing and productivity industry continue to expand and have a great future. We are riding a growth wave, in spite of the current economy. Learn about the next phase of our industry's development, what NAPO is doing and how NAPO is serving its members. Discover what our future holds.

NAPO President, Angela F. Wallace, CPO® will share with the chapter the latest NAPO facts, news and happenings at the national level. Angela will be here to promote communication, increase awareness, answer your questions and encourage you to be a proud NAPO member. She will also talk about common chapter issues. What part of NAPO's success do you want to play?



NAPO President, Angela F. Wallace, CPO® founded Wallace Associates in 1986. Angela is committed to excellence in the organizing industry. Her special expertise in business development and organizing systems combined with her people skills make her a master in the field of business organizing. Coming from three generations of small business owners, on both sides of her family, business is in Angela's DNA. Angela began working in her father's small business at age 11. As an eclectic generalist, she has spent the past 30 years perfecting her skills and knowledge. Angela is passionate about you being successful.

Wallace Associates' commitment to collaboration and creating an environment of people, systems, organization and structure to support the client's business and goals is the foundation for her client's success. Angela has the unique ability to hold the client's vision, share the knowledge of how to get there, and coach the client through the implementation steps to success. Angela's clients call her the Facilitator of Miracles and Magic.

Angela is dedicated to NAPO and the organizing industry and believes "together we are better"

Next Meeting:

When: Monday, March 18th, 2013

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

7th Annual Organizing Awards

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Submission Guidelines

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

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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.

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Click on "click here" link

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](#)



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Golden Circle

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

Simon Says

The Art of Throwing Away

Getting rid of things in your home can be a difficult task. We will always find reasons to hold on to items that we no longer need or use. But what happens if we just can't bring ourselves to throw things away? We may imagine that we will need these items someday. What would life look like without ownership of these objects? Within all of us there is a little hoarder addiction. Here are some things that you now have



permission from me to get rid of and throw out- (By that, I mean donate, dump, trash, incinerate, whatever it takes to get it out of your life and space).



Junk Mail and Papers: As you go through your daily mail, sort the papers and magazines as you look at them. Set up a file or holding place for bills to paid, papers to file and any action items. Magazines that you want to read or look at belong in the magazine rack. Current ads belong on the kitchen table or desk where you can refer to them. Remember, anything that you don't use or buy -out it goes! In with the new, out with the old.

Magazines/Books: Unless you have a large bookshelves and unlimited space for magazines, you should not hold on to them. Magazines are usually just for use during the current month. If they are a hobby or interest that you treasure then you should create a holding area for them and still consider the limit. Much of what you read is on the internet and can be found elsewhere. Don't forget the library can hold most of the books for you!

Old Toys/Old Clothes/Old Shoes: Notice the word "old" here. Sometimes old is not good, or treasured; rather, old is broken, worn out, out-dated and worthless. The toy must be in good shape and functioning, the outfit must be clean, stain free and in fashion, the shoes must be clean, "lightly used" and the right size.

Useless or Broken Appliances: If it's broken I don't want it in your home. If the appliance is useless to you, give it to someone who can use it.

Old Furniture/Picture Frames: This is tricky, because sometimes you hold on to furniture because you might be moving someday and you will need it for your new and larger home. Try to find someone who could store it for you in the mean time to eliminate the clutter and space issue. If you are saving a picture frame, take out the picture and store the frame empty in case you want to give it away quickly. Most frames are never reused.

Old Paint and Fixtures: Most old paint is not reusable since the color changes over time. It is better to recycle it (Earth911.com). If you do keep the paint, label it properly. Unless you are handy with your household appliances, most fixtures are hard to reuse and are not worth storing. Chances that you have the right part are rare.

Contents of the Junk Drawer: Best case scenario is to empty the contents of the drawer and sort through all the objects. Put the extra change, batteries, hair accessories and kids' missing toys where they belong and get a drawer organizer/divider and sort the remaining objects in each little section of the divider. Label the drawer and keep it updated and current.

Dishes and Kitchen items: Sometimes we culminate too many mugs and plastic storage containers without lids. Do you have any pots that are worn and scratched? These are the items to throw out!

Dated Receipts, Paychecks, and Bills: You only have to keep receipts that are tax related for seven years. That means that the receipt has been used for tax purposes and used for deductions. The paychecks can be tossed after your 1099 has arrived. Bills are only necessary if you are using them for tax deductions.

Expired Medicines and Vitamins: Notice the word expired. It is very important to keep your medicine cabinet updated. If it's old, "toss" and get a replacement.

Linens: Keep your linen is good shape and clean. Make sure you have enough for guest and replacement for your "sick days". Otherwise, thin it out and enjoy the good stuff.

Power Cords: Only keep cords for which you are sure you have and are using the devices to which they belong. Many people forget what each cord and wire belongs with. Label them as you get the new gadget.

Spices: Some spices can last for a long time. Check your inventory and keep the active ones up front and make a list of the ones you are missing. If there are some that are seldom used, consider putting them in the freezer.

Old Greeting Cards: Create a file for "cards" and label the different categories. You will enjoy being able to find them when you need them.

DVD, VHS and Audio tapes: Since many of us have Netflix or other ways to watch TV and movies, we don't have to keep as many DVDs as we once did. Consider getting a nice plastic container to organize them into categories and put them in a safe dry place.

Makeup: Most makeup can last a year or two. However, it is nice to give yourself a fresh new look each year and a "spring cleaning" of the makeup drawer.

Old Underwear, Socks and Bras: If the elastic is worn and out of shape it is a dead giveaway for the longevity of the garment. If the sock is worn out, out it goes. If the bra is old, out of shape or the wrong size... Well then... It won't look good on you. So out it goes.

Coat Hangers: It is important to have nice coat hangers in the front hall closet. Just keep ten extra if the closet is empty, and if your coats are taking up the space, then only keep around three hangers.

Old Car Seats, Cribs, Baby Products: Out of use baby products belong in storage. Cover in plastic and label for their next use.

Perfumes and Colognes: Does it still smell good? Do you like it? Don't keep too much; you will get confused about which one you really like.

Jewelry: If it is broken or brings back bad memories, get rid of it. Try to auction, resale or donate the unwanted jewelry.

Rugs: Try to use the rugs around the house. If they are replacement rugs, try to store them in the least obtrusive place.

Food: Check your pantry and refrigerator/freezer often. Old food is unhealthy and takes up too much space.

When thinking of throwing things away, think: What would be the worst thing that could happen if I didn't own this anymore?

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Volunteer In NAPO-LA

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



LA Organizer Editor

We are currently seeking a volunteer for the Editor of the bi-monthly LA Organizer newsletter.

This position requires computer skills, timeliness and proficiency of the English language. Knowledge of Constant Contact is a plus, but training is available. The Editor's tasks include sending out reminders to chapter members, editing submissions, coordinating with the Publisher and publishing newsletter through Constant Contact. The LA Organizer is published bi-monthly and requires a small time commitment each month. Please contact Katherine Macey at katherine@organizetoexcel.com or Audra Cottrell at editor@napola.org for more information.

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.

NAPO-LA Professional Organizers Learning Academy

THE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZERS LEARNING ACADEMY PRESENTS...

"What Every Organizer Should Know About Moves and Relocation Projects"

In this 2-hour session, you will acquire the knowledge to help reduce stress and alleviate concerns from both you and your clients. From setting up logistics and a timeline to working with a team and dealing with legalities, we will cover it all. You will learn hands-on packing techniques and how to avoid personal injury.

You will hear about effective coordination and negotiation with movers, designers, contractors and cleaning crews from small-scale projects to twenty five thousand square foot mansions. This jam-packed session will give you the pros and cons of working in this high demand field and how to effectively market yourself.



Chantale Bordonaro is a Certified Professional Organizer (CPO®), a Certified Relocation and Transition Specialist (CRTS), a Speaker, a Mentor and the founder of Simplicity Source, Inc. operating in San Francisco and Los Angeles. As an expert relocation specialist and professional organizer Chantale follows her passion - changing people's lives. With the help of her teams, independent contractors and vendors, Simplicity Source, Inc. has helped over 300 clients through this life changing experience. She is the incoming National Chair for the NAPO 2014 Conference in Phoenix and volunteers for BCPO. Chantale is a Past President of NAPO- Los Angeles and also served as Membership Director.

SAVE THE DATE ~ REGISTER NOW

When: Monday, May 20, 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 \$30 -- Non-Members \$40
Add \$10 if registering after Thursday, May 16
Register: Online at www.napola.org
Advance registration and payment required
Registration will close Thursday, May 16, 2013

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

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.

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Pre-registration will close Thursday, February 21, 2013.
On-site registration will be available with an additional \$10 fee.

Institute for Challenging Disorganization



Registration is now open for ICD's "Climbing to New Heights" Conference, September 19-21, 2013 in Denver, Colorado. [Click here to register.](#)

Invest in your knowledge about challenging organizing and become more effective with clients on the topics of ADD, Collecting, Dementia, Hoarding, Stress Management, and more by attending this spectacular conference and the optional post conference workshop on leading a clutter/hoarding support group.

Those of you who have attended conference before know that what happens between the sessions is just as valuable as what happens within them. If you have never attended conference before, plan to join us this year.

[Register today for the adventure of "Climbing to New Heights."](#)

Check Out Our Speaker Line-Up for 2013!

- **Celebrating Inattention: ADHD, Neurodiversity, and Multiple Intelligences**
Thomas Armstrong, Ph.D.
- **Female Treasures: What We Cherish, How We Relinquish, and Why**
Melinda Barlow, Ph.D.
- **Strategies for Working with Clients with Memory Impairment**
Laurie White, MSW
- **Ask the CPO-CD Panel**
Your burning questions answered by CPO-CD's with diverse client experience.
- **From Inside-Out: The Culture of Families Dominated by Hoarding Disorder**
Suzanne Chabaud, Ph.D.
- **Living Stress Free**
Don Goewey
- **The Power of Peer Support When You Have Too Much**
Lee Shuer
- **Case Studies: Theory into Practice**
Denslow Brown, CPO-CD, ICD Master Trainer, CPO, SCAC, MCC

[Click here](#) for more information on the sessions and speakers.

Optional Post-Conference Workshop

Now integrated into the registration process!
Sunday, September 22, 2013, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

How to Run the *Buried in Treasures* Workshop

Take advantage of this opportunity to learn from the course's co-creator, Lee Shuer! This six hour training will equip attendees to start and facilitate a self-help group for people who have too much clutter. Additional fee required. Fee includes materials.

Plan to stay the extra day to benefit from this unique training.

To find out more, [click here](#).



Conference Hotel The beautiful Sheraton Downtown Hotel, 1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202, USA is our 2013 conference hotel. Situated along a mile-long tree-lined promenade featuring outdoor bistros, microbreweries, shopping, and entertainment, the Sheraton has complimentary local shuttles for added convenience. The hotel is also one block from Colorado's State Capitol, 3-1/2 blocks from the Colorado Convention Center, and minutes from Coors Field - home of the Colorado Rockies and the Pepsi Center - home of the Denver Nuggets and Colorado Avalanche. It is located 35-45 minutes from Denver International Airport (DEN).

[Click here for more information.](#)

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CD 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 May 14th. Topic will be "Client Progress." Meeting time is from 6pm to 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, email Jean Furuya at Jean@TheOfficeJeanie.com or call (310) 316-1753.

NAPO-LA Neighborhood Groups

Burbank/Glendale/Pasadena Neighborhood Group:

Our Neighborhood group enjoyed a fun field trip in February to the Athens Services Material Recovery Facility. We learned all about how they separate our trash and recycling, and learned several tips that we can pass on to our clients.

Our last meeting was March 8th, where we enjoyed dinner together and discussed client communications. Be sure to contact Cari Dawson if you are in our area and would like to join our group.



Michelle Powell, Nonnahs Driskill, Agnes Carr, and Cari Dawson

San Fernando Valley:

The next meeting of the San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Group of NAPO-LA is: Saturday March 16, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in Northridge.

It will be a very educational session with the topic--

"HOW TO NAVIGATE THE NAPO-LA AND NAPO-NATIONAL WEBSITES TO LOCATE ALL THE WONDERFUL RESOURCES."

Nadine Levy, NAPO-LA President, will be presenting this very interesting session.

Please RSVP to info@janetfishmanorganizer.com or by phoning 818-349-6330.

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

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