



FROM THE DESERT SOUTHWEST CHAPTER OF THE
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The Desert Southwest Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) has named City of Yuma employee Peggy Hayes as 2009 Buyer of the Year. Peggy was presented a plaque and certificate at an awards ceremony on April 30th.

The selection was based upon a combination of her contributions to the City of Yuma Purchasing, the Desert Southwest Chapter, to the purchasing profession in general and to other civic organizations.

Peggy is a Buyer for the City of Yuma Purchasing Division. She has been with the City for almost 4 years. In that time, Peggy has received a number of awards from the City including 2005 ITS Trainee of the Year, a nomination for the City's 2006 Outstanding New Employee of the Year and seven City of Yuma Circle of Excellence Awards. Peggy was also a recipient of the 2008 Achievement of Excellence in Purchasing (AEP) Award along with the other members of the Purchasing Division.

Peggy is a Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB), having achieved the certification in 2007 through the Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council (UPPCC). She received a certificate of accreditation from Retention Mastery Systems, Inc in 2008 for completing the de Bono Master Thinker™ Series through the City, and has just completed the City's Supervisor Academy series.

Peggy is a charter member of the Desert Southwest Chapter of NIGP as well as a National Chapter member. She has just been elected to a second two-year term as the chapter's Recording Secretary.

Members of the Desert Southwest Chapter of NIGP include the City of Yuma, City of Somerton, Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Crane Elementary School District #13, Arizona Western College and the Yuma Educational Materials Management Consortium.



Desert Southwest Chapter Vice President, Robin Wilson (left), awards the 2009 Buyer of the Year to this year's recipient, Peggy Hayes, chapter Recording Secretary.

