

## **MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter**

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## **MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter Announces 2016 Awards Recipients**

HERSHEY, Pa. – Meeting Professionals International (MPI) Middle Pennsylvania Chapter is proud to announce the recipients of its annual chapter awards. The recipients were selected for outstanding contribution to the meeting industry and honored at the MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter Awards Presentation and Luncheon on May 10, 2016, during its educational program in Harrisburg, Pa.

Requirements for the four awards included being a member of an industry related association or organization and active chapter participation.

The Planner of the Year award was presented to Jeanmarie Kline, CMP. As Director of Global Accounts for HelmsBriscoe, a global leader in meeting procurement, Jeanmarie served as chapter Director of Communications Committee as well as on the Special Events Committee. “To receive the Planner of the Year Award from my colleagues is truly an honor. This recognition is humbling and provides me with the feeling of great achievement. Our meetings industry continues to grow and provides much revenue to Central PA. I’m excited to continue to support MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter and bring more awareness to this area of our value.”

The Supplier of the Year award was presented to Jonathan Snavelly, CTIS. Jonathan is Vice President of Marketing & Business Development of Premiere #1 Limousine in Middletown, Pa. He also served as chapter Vice President of Communications Committee, managing with Jeanmarie the various communication outlets on the chapter website, newsletter and social media channels as well as highlighting brand awareness. “I am honored to be recognized as the 2016 Supplier of the Year,” says Snavelly. “MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter not only accepted me into their community as a member, but also allows me to serve them as a volunteer on the Board of Directors.”

The Outstanding Volunteer of the Year award was presented to Cyndy Cosner. As Assistant Director of Resort Sales at Hershey Entertainment & Resorts, Cyndy served as chapter Vice President of Special Projects Committee as well as on Membership Committee. She embodied the spirit of volunteerism, leading several successful events such as the fall Live Race Night! networking event, winter Silent Auction & Raffle, and spring Bowling event.

The Recruiter of the Year award was presented to Valerie Tulli, CMP. Valerie is Manager of Global Accounts for HelmsBriscoe, and served on the chapter’s Membership and Special Events Committees. She actively recruited the highest number of new members from April 2015 to February 2016.

MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter has over 130 members, consisting of nearly 50 percent planner members, with more than \$82 million in buying power. Why it matters...

- Distinguishes the organization’s financial performance
- Enhances financial decisions for the customer choices
- Provides guidance about the state of the local economy
- Describes securities value of the organization

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**About MPI**

Meeting Professional International (MPI) is the largest and most vibrant global meeting and event industry association. The organization provides innovative and relevant education, networking opportunities and business exchanges, and acts as a prominent voice for the promotion and growth of the industry. MPI membership is comprised of approximately 18,500 members belonging to more than 80 chapters and clubs in 22 countries. For additional information or to join, visit [www.mpiweb.org](http://www.mpiweb.org).

**About MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter**

MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter, established in 2008, empowers its 130+ members to increase their strategic organizational value through education and networking opportunities. The chapter's vision is to build a rich global meeting industry community making its members successful in building human connections to: knowledge/ideas, relationships and marketplaces. For more information on MPI Middle Pennsylvania Chapter, visit [www.mpimp.org](http://www.mpimp.org) and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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