

**Name:** Donna Vitale-Schwartz

**Occupation:** National Sales Manager

**Planner or Supplier:** Supplier

**Current Employer:** Caesars Entertainment

**How did you get your start in the industry?**

Born and raised in the restaurant business.

**How many years have you been in the industry?**

Over 30….

**What is your favorite thing about our industry?**

Building relationships with colleague and clients that last beyond the contract.

**What is the best career advice you’ve received?**

That things always work out.

**If you were not in this industry, what would you be doing right now?**

Baking cookies and making chocolates!

**Where did you grow up?**

The Jersey Shore of Monmouth and Ocean Counties

**What is your favorite city to travel to and why?**

Italy…the history and architecture.

**What is your all-time favorite movie?**

Casablanca

**How long have you been a member of MPI?**

At least 20 years…

**What do you love about MPI New Jersey Chapter?**

Networking with colleagues and meeting new people from all industries and backgrounds.