



WELCOME!

We are so glad you have decided to find out more about the South Central Assembly. As we have just welcomed a new month, I am reminded of how fast time flies. Winding down our first quarter in 2009, the SCA has a number of accomplishments to be proud of.

First, we realized a vision. Having completed the structural and contractual phases of our new energy consortium we have now signed our first client! In the midst of economic instability, rising energy costs, and some credible competition, our plan for delivery of an energy purchasing package which saves time and money is getting serious attention and support.

Second, we offered our first in a series of “Food for Thought” sessions designed to deliver quality training and interactive discussions in a comfortable setting where attendees can share ideas and concerns on improving public service over lunch. These sessions begin a partnership with the Central PA Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) and engage a critical local government perspective on regional issues.

Third, we have rebuilt a critical communication tool where members can find information and resources about the Assembly. A much-needed improvement over our former website, the new website will be our meeting and sharing place so that we can remain current and active between meetings. It is also a place to invite members of our community to learn more about the Assembly and to become involved in committees, programs, or the electronic exchange of ideas. The website is being loaded to a test site so that the board can have a final review before we go live.

Fourth, we are completing a strategic look at our organization. This strategic look has been a reflective view of our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and challenges in order to refocus those who remain committed to actively engage our partners and our community with renewed enthusiasm and vigor.

We have many more plans for the future and we want each of you to be an active part as these plans take shape. Please take the time reaffirm your commitment through your generous membership dues and complete the application so that we can verify or update your contact information. Instructions for mailing are included on the form.

As ever, we are grateful for your continued involvement and support, and we look forward to many more successes together!

Sincerely,

Sherri B. Zimmerman
Executive Director