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Welcome to DAMA Indiana News!

Welcome to the fall issue of the DAMA Indiana newsletter. We are looking forward to warmer weather and our next chapter meeting!

The next meeting will be **Thursday**, **October 24**, **2019**. Be sure to save the date!

Do you have a question for the board or fellow members? Are you wondering about future events? Have an idea for a newsletter article? The top of the newsletter contains the web site and social media contact information for the chapter. We would love to hear from you!

From the President's Pen...



By Gene Boomer

Hello Folks,

I am going to get a little nostalgic on you for this newsletter edition if you do not mind... ©

We, DAMA Indiana, are celebrating our 10-year anniversary this October! So, I thought it would be nice to go over the chapter's formation and the important contributions made by those who made DAMA Indiana happen.

First, let's go back to 2008. That is when the financial crisis hit the nation as the country was in the midst of the Great Recession. As 2009 came around organizations tightened belts, and opportunities to attend conferences were far and few between. DAMA International had released the DM-BOK earlier that year and tried to keep 'data geeks' engaged by helping areas host DAMA Connection events, or what we called 'DAMA Days'. One of these 'days' was held June 5th of that year and was the genesis for our chapter.

We held our 'forming chapter' meeting with DAMA-I on July 9th. We talked with John Schley (President at that time) and Cathy Nolan (who was on both the DAMA-I and DAMA Chicago boards.) Cathy was instrumental in helping us move forward! During this meeting we decided on our chapter name, DAMA Indiana (other choices considered were: DAMA Indy, DAMA Central Indiana, and DAMA Heartland.)

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President's Pen, cont.

We held our first organizational meeting on July 29th to settle on the details for our inaugural chapter meeting. It would be held Oct 22nd at Eli Lilly. We secured a speaker (Ron Ross) and a sponsor (Dataflux) for the meeting. We also decided meeting frequency (three time a year) and the initial slate for the board:

- President Sue Peoni
- VP Programs Mike Irick
- VP Administration Dan Heffern
- VP Communications Tom Morris
- VP Finance Gene Boomer
- VP On-line Content Christina Knotts

At that time, we included two non-voting board advisors who were critical to the chapter formation. Barb Morgan, who was a friend of Cathy Nolan (having a professional network is vital) and Nancy Martin, whose husband happen to be a lawyer and made sure we properly incorporated the chapter with the Feds and the State of Indiana (and did this pro bono!). DAMA International also played a vital role by providing guidance and 'seed' funding to get the chapter going in 2009.

Below is the notice of that first meeting held on Oct 22nd, 2009. I believe we had over 70 people in attendance. This included a huge contingent from our meeting host, Lilly (30+) and about a dozen students from IUPUI. I cannot remember much of the actual meeting, except for the anticipation and excitement of it actually occurring. We did not know how it would be received from the community or how long we could keep this chapter thing going. I would say we have done okay. Here we are a decade later and it is a great time to be a 'data geek.' Likewise, the importance of having groups like DAMA and DAMA Indiana available to the community is pretty significant.

I would like to take this time to thank all of you who help keep our chapter going! From the handful of folks who have served on the board over the years to the vast Indiana community for attending our chapter meetings. Also, want to send huge shout outs to our corporate members and vendor friends:

- For graciously providing facilities to host our chapter meetings over the years. Thank You!
- For sponsoring our chapter meetings (with the enticement of food... and providing education to our members. We look forward to your continued engagement and support!

Our continued success as a chapter within the community solely relies on your help and involvement, so I ask you to please stay involved as we start on our second decade.

Finally, special thanks to those from 10 years ago who set this all into motion. We could not have done this without you! Since that time Barb, Nancy, and Sue have retired and are hopefully enjoying all their 'free' time. I believe that Dan, Tom, and Christina are still within the community and hopefully doing well (note, I will not indulge the VP-Finance from back then.....). Mike has been with us since the beginning, and after 10 years, he has recently decided to leave our board. Sue used to say that the President's role was the easiest one to fulfill (yeah, she's right!) and that the hardest role was the VP - Programs (and yeah, she's right.)

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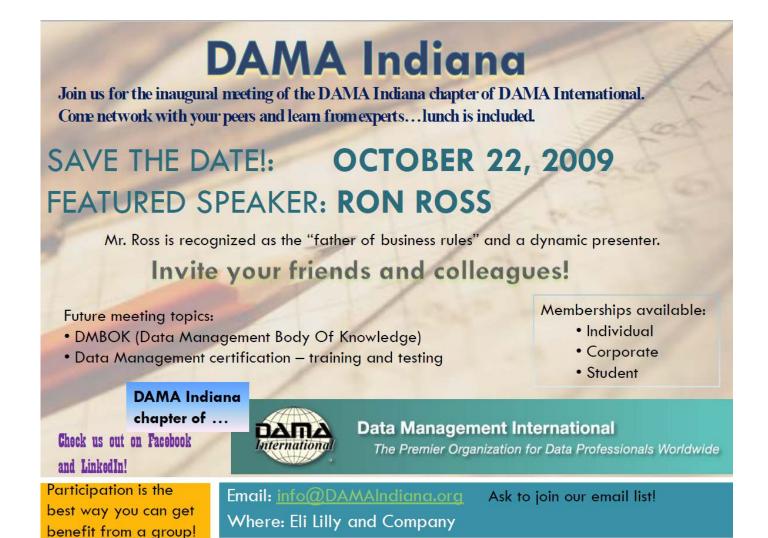
President's Pen, cont.

Mike has dutifully secured speakers, hosting facilities, and sponsors throughout his decade long tenure with DAMA Indiana. He assures we have great speakers that cover various topics of interest to our community. Make sure to thank Mike when you get a chance for a job well done!

Mike, we appreciate all you have done for DAMA Indiana, our community, and us over these last 10 years. You will be missed and I wish you the very best. Thank You!!!

I hope to see everyone at the October chapter meeting as we celebrate our 10-year anniversary! There will be cake!

- Gene



Reminders:



Be sure to check out the NEW DAMA Indiana website, including the new online registration for meetings!



DAMA Indiana Individual and Corporate 2019 Fees:

THANK YOU to those who have paid their 2019 membership fees!

If you have not received your 2019 invoice, please check your junk or spam folder.

Please contact our VP Finance with any questions.

Your prompt payment is appreciated!

Save the Date - October Chapter Meeting

Join us on **Thursday, October 24**th for an informative day you won't want to miss. The October meeting marks our 10th anniversary as an affiliate of DAMA International!

CNO Financial Group has graciously agreed to host this meeting. The address is <u>530 North College</u> <u>Drive, Building J, Carmel, IN 46032</u>. College Drive can be accessed from North Pennsylvania Street or East 116th Street. Park in any open, unreserved space in front of the building. Below is a map to the CNO Financial Group's location.

Meeting information is available on the DAMA Indiana Events page: https://damaindiana.org/upcoming-events

Please register via the website events page. We will no longer be handling registrations via e-mail.



DAMA Indiana Elections

The DAMA Indiana chapter will be conducting our annual elections on October 24th, 2019, during our quarterly meeting. We are seeking interested members to fill our 2020 Board of Directors positions. All positions are available for current, active members who wish to express interest and have their names added to the slate for our annual election. For more information, see the announcement at:

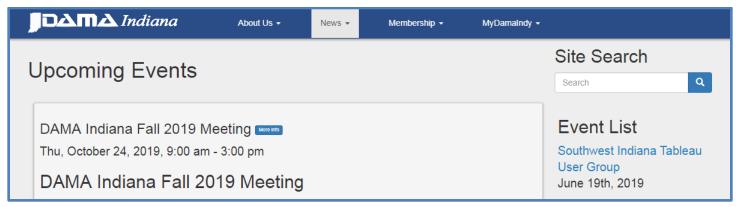
https://damaindiana.org/news/announcement.

Please contact Diane Michael at vpadministration@damaindiana.org if you are interested in a board position or would like additional information.



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Professional Development Opportunities



Check out the DAMA Indiana Events page for upcoming events. https://damaindiana.org/upcoming-events



Check out http://tdwi.org for conferences

DAMA Chicago

DAMA Chicago holds six bi-monthly meetings and other events. Their web site is: http://www.damachicago.org/

Here are other area events that may be of interest to data professionals:

IndyPASS (Professional Association for SqlServer)

Events are updated on their web site.

Their main web site: http://indypass.org/

INOUG (Indiana Oracle Users Group)

Check inoug.org for more information.

Southwest Ohio Chapter of DAMA

Check out their web page at:

https://swoc-dama.wildapricot.org/

Central Ohio DAMA

The central Ohio chapter page:

https://buckeyedama.org/

Reminder: Attending conferences and professional meeting counts towards CBIP and CDMP recertification credits. Be sure to record these in your log!

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Contacts

Have a question or need to contact a board member? Below are the names and e-mail addresses of board members

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