

The Purchasing Post

Meet the Staff

Diana Davies, Administrative Specialist, diana@ksu.edu, 532-6214
-receptionist extraordinaire, i.e. Purchasing's front-line-of-defense. The usual voice on the phone, Diana is also the one to contact regarding the furniture contracts, insurance issues, entertainment contracts, and sales tax. Congratulate Diana the next time you talk with her; she is being recognized on April 2nd for twenty-five years of service with Kansas State University (nineteen with Purchasing)!

Joyce Polson, Accounting Specialist, jpolson@ksu.edu, 532-6216
-keeps Purchasing's numbers straight. Joyce types the purchase orders, encumbers the funds, and processes the payment documents. All things of a payment nature flow through Joyce. She started young in Purchasing, been with the office since 1986.

Patty Schurr, Procurement Officer II, pschurr@ksu.edu, 532-1859
-business procurement cards, contract cover sheets, and real estate contracts are Patty's areas of expertise. Actually there isn't much Patty doesn't know about Purchasing, the Controller's office, or K-State. Patty has been with us for close to forty years. Got a question, Patty probably knows the answer, or where to find it.

Chris Dekat, Procurement Officer III, cidekat@ksu.edu, 532-5469
- bids, contracts, & sole sources involving state funds. Eight words don't really describe what Chris covers. As a procurement officer, Chris is knowledgeable on topics from toilet paper to electron microscopes and deals with vendors from mom&pop stores to international corporations. Chris is the new kid; he joined Purchasing in 1998, but has been with the University since 1981.

Roger Johnson, Procurement Officer III, wrjohn@ksu.edu, 532-6462
-bids, contracts, & sole sources involving grant/research funds. Roger is the grant guru, handling all purchases involving grants. Along with the general knowledge commodities & services, Roger also administers the insurance and natural gas contracts. Roger is working on twenty-one years with Purchasing.

Lisa Hund, Student Worker, hund@ksu.edu, 532-6215
-receptionist, filing, all-around 'go-fer'. Lisa is the other voice on the phone. She keeps Purchasing posted on life as a K-State student. Lisa has been with Purchasing for four years, is an Art Education major and will be graduating in May 2009.

And then there is me - Carla Bishop, Director of Purchasing, cbishop@ksu.edu, 532-1858.
-purchaser, auditor, fireman, teacher, cheerleader, policeman, juggler, and just added newsletter editor. I handle quotes and contracts with the State Division of Purchases along with the State's loan program, special negotiation committee, etc. I have been with the State since 1988 but my blood became purple in August 1996.



Welcoming Remarks

Welcome to The Purchasing Post, the news source for all things purchasing at Kansas State University Controller's Office/Purchasing. I plan on sending out a monthly e-mail covering current topics on Purchasing. Decided the best way to start this new endeavor would be a recap of everyone in Purchasing.

