

ICRI KICKS OFF 2013 WITH A PARTY LIKE NONE BEFORE

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For the 7th Annual Kick-Off Party, ICRI selected the alluring venue of the Chateau Nightclub and Gardens at the Paris Hotel, kicking off the association's 25th Anniversary Celebration with elegance and flair! The whole night was a treat for the senses and included a record number of revelers helping ICRI celebrate its 25th Anniversary year. More than 250 members and guests gathered among the venue's ornate chandeliers, lush surroundings, and spectacular views of the famed Las Vegas Strip.

The evening included a full buffet dinner; a 3-hour open bar; and the occasion to mix and mingle with other members, association leaders, and staff. What set this evening apart was the gorgeous weather ordered up by Executive Director Kelly Page and Event Planner Susan Adams. Several guests, flummoxed by the smaller crowd at the inside bar, were simply blown away by the size of the group gathered on the patio enjoying the beautiful weather and unique networking experience.

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The calm before the storm inside the Chateau Nightclub



A unique view of the Las Vegas Strip



The evening's weather pulled almost all of the attendees out to the patio



(Left to right) Wayne Benitz, Peter Craig, and Garth Fallis enjoying a Past President's moment



ICRI's Vice President Katherine Blatz volunteered to sell 50/50 raffle tickets and raised an impressive \$2000 with half going toward ICRI's Scholarship Fund



(Left to right) Keith Harrison, Carlton Steinmetz, Connie Mugno, Alex Somohano, and Scott Harrison

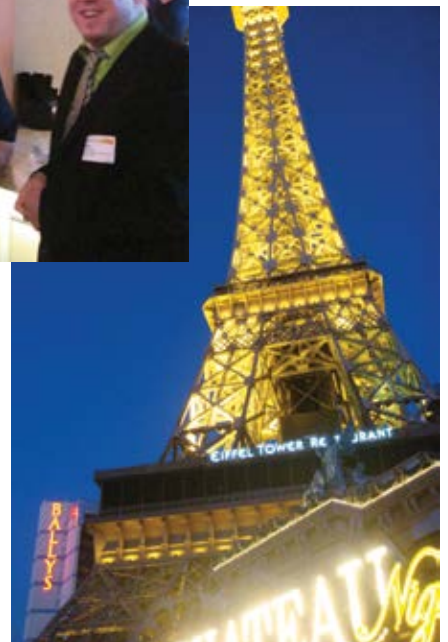
(Left to right) Don Rigby, Charlie Mayer, and Danis Longpre



(Left to right) Barbara Bertrand, Brian Iske, and Jacque Bertrand



Honorary Life Members Milt and Sally Collins



Can you think of a more elegant spot to celebrate than under the Eiffel Tower?

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(Left to right) Alfred Kessi, Bill Phillips, and Elena Danke



(Left to right) David White and David Whitmore



(Left to right) Past President Randy Beard with Simon Reny and Kevin Robertson



Enjoying the festivities and networking opportunities were students representing the CIM program (left to right): Michael Smith, MTSU; Nick Hamner, MTSU; Derek Fridley, CSU Chico; Brandon Hatfield, CSU Chico; Daniel Ortega, CSU Chico; and Fred Hurt, MTSU



(Left to right) Garth Fallis, Chris Ball, David Karins, and Beth Messer



(Left to right) Jessi Meyer, Jeff Lucas, and Rae Jean Nicoll



(Left to right) Dan Anagnos and Tim Gillespie



Tickets anyone? (Left to right): Katherine Blatz, John Latham, and Bob Swan



(Left to right) Pete Warren, Heidi Braverman, Edye Fox Abrams, and Bud Lampley



Pulling the winning 50/50 raffle ticket is ICRI President Bud Earley (left) with Katherine Blatz (right). Hiding behind Bud is Elena Danke, who worked the crowd with Katherine raising an impressive donation to the ICRI Scholarship Fund