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## **IREM Greater RI Chapter 88 names new officers for 2013**

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Greater Rhode Island Chapter 88, a chapter of the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM), has announced its election of officers for 2013. Chapter president, Anthony Natale, CPM, Salvatore Capital Partners, 1st vice president, Gisela Medek, CPM, Barkan Management Company, 2nd vice president chapter Kerri Furtado, CPM, S-C management, treasurer, Kathleen Manzi, CPM Phoenix Property Management Inc., secretary, Julie Terry Property Advisory Group, Inc.

IREM Greater R.I. Chapter 88 has approximately 180 members and Friends of IREM. The chapter covers all of the Rhode Island area and parts of Massachusetts. If you are interested in becoming a member you can contact us by email at [iremri88@cox.net](mailto:iremri88@cox.net) or visit our website at [www.iremri.org](http://www.iremri.org)

The IREM Greater Rhode Island Chapter No. 88 diligently pursues the mission to promote professional integrity with education and training. Currently there are twenty-eight candidates in Rhode Island committed to achieving the CPM designation. A CPM has what it takes . . . experience, education, ethics and a commitment to lifelong learning.

If you are in the profession of Residential or Commercial Property Management, consider the opportunities that an IREM Certified Property Management designation can give you, your clients and your property. Consider being one of the 8,600 CPM members and the 2,967 CPM Candidates affiliated with Institute of Real Estate Management. Within the Real Estate Industry, the CPM designation is the most prestigious. Recognized and strongly promoted by IREM and the National Association of Realtors (NAR), the achievement of CPM status is a mark of excellence that property owners and investors worldwide look to for management services because of their high level of professionalism, up-to-date knowledge and vast experience. IREM awards the CPM designation in their ongoing efforts to increase awareness of the property management profession. Becoming a CPM candidate opens new connections, provides tools for outreach to other professionals and organizations, and creates networking opportunities.

To become a CPM the first step is easy: apply for CPM candidacy through IREM at [www.irem.org](http://www.irem.org). Experience requirements, references, education and submission of an in depth management plan are the core to becoming a CPM. Upon approval of candidacy, applicants have a ten-year period to complete the intensive requirements. Education format varies from home study; teacher led on-line study or classroom format. Candidates may also apply for scholarships through the IREM Foundation to assist them in their education. If you hold a CCIM, CSM, PCAM, or RPA designation or have an undergraduate or graduate degree in real estate or property management or have 20 years of qualifying professional experience IREM offers a fast track program. This program means that you have earned credit for the CPM education requirement, exempting you from having to complete the seven CPM courses.

A free CPM workshop will be held on October 11, at Villa del Rio Apartments in Warwick. Please register by contacting us at [iremri88@cox.net](mailto:iremri88@cox.net).

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