

The Carousel

Ride the magnificent carousel
Wind blowing in your hair
Each animal, a different kind
Lifting you up into the air

You ride it down and up again
While whirling round and round
Catch your breath at the top
Quicker still you're moving down.

Feeling confident as the ruler
Of your steed of flashing gold
You begin to stretch upward towards
The Brass ring you wish to hold

Smell the sweetness in the air
This lovely summer night
Grab the ring and face your goals
Success is in your sight

Ride the ride and enjoy the time
You have along the way
And when this wonderful ride is done
You will be free to go, to play

Her majestic beauty ever shines
Offering us all enchanted thrills
Round and Round and Up and Down
Giving her riders joyful chills

Hang on and watch with every turn
The chance this ride will bring
An opportunity to stretch and reach
To pull the **BIG BRASS RING**

President Mary Lou Addy has chosen for the
year 2000 - 2001 the theme:

CPI Carrousel to the Future

In the popular musical, **Carousel** we join the
story of boy meets girl in an amusement park.
They fall in love and face the challenges of life.

The music of the carousel is the center of activity for life in this story. The carousel was the center of the carnivals and amusement parks, dating back to the early 1500's. One of the most noted songs from the musical is "You'll Never Walk Alone".

How appropriate that we ready ourselves for the continued journey towards new goals and meet our successes and challenges together, not alone.

Last year we followed the Yellow Brick Road. What a successful journey it has been. We are very proud of the accomplishments of this year and again applaud those successes.

We would now like to acknowledge and thank those who lead us.

Will last years Executive Board, Board of Directors, Chairmen, Committee Members and Staff please stand.

District Presidents please come forward.

As the Officiating officer of your Districts, you are an integral part of our Association. You will be serving on the Board of Directors this year in addition to your duties as District Presidents. We look to you for guidance and assistance in reaching our goals. Do you agree to grab for the Gold Ring of Directorship?

Sharon DeShazer: You have given us the inspiration to continue our journey. We invite you to climb on board this CPI Carousel to the Future.

You will continue to serve on this board as Past President and as a committee chairman. Will you grasp the GOLD RING?

Marlene Wilcox: You have been elected to serve as the Secretary-Treasurer this year. On our carousel to the Future you are charged with the responsibilities of keeping the records

of our association as well as reviewing and being knowledgeable of our finances.

Do you agree to grasp the Gold Ring for CPI?

Mary Jo Malarz: You have been elected to serve as the 2nd Vice President on our Carousel to the future. You are charged with the responsibility of continuing to develop the education program and to encourage the promotion of that education to our members and the consumers that we serve. Education is the key. Do you agree to grasp the Golden Ring of Education?

Nona Elzy: You have been elected to serve as 1st Vice President on our Carousel to the Future. Your office is one of great importance to our Association, that of growth.

You are charged with the responsibility of the promotion of membership and the organization of new associations. Membership assures our future. Do you agree to grasp the Gold Ring of Membership?

Mary Lou Addy: You have been elected to the highest office in our organization.

The members have, by their election of you to this office, shown that they are inspired by your abilities to lead and look forward to following you on the Carousel to the Future. You are charged with the responsibility of being the presiding officer of our Association.

You will officiate during the meetings and will direct the Board of Directors and the Executive Board in their duties, while keeping a watchful eye on our finances, growth, education, and the Foundation.

Do you agree to grasp the Golden Ring of Leadership?

You have chosen as your theme, CPI, Carousel To The Future, and are asking each of us to grasp the Gold Ring of Commitment to our Association.

We the members of Credit Professionals
International agree to reach for that ring and
support our goals by joining the ride, CPI
Carousel To the Future.

Mary Lou, you have also chosen this year, an
acronym, ACES. It stands for Attitude,
Commitment, and Education Equals Success.

Faithful horses eagerly await their riders
Enchantment their only promise
Sculptured splendor, faithful heart

MAGIC

It's the carousel!
Born of the past existing for the future
Lasting glory
Come aboard. Grab the Ring.
It's Gold!

