



National Association of Purchasing Management Northwest Indiana



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2009 Calendar

May 20, 2009 Wednesday

Educational Meeting- Election- Marty Harper Award

T. J. Maloney's (Holiday Star & Radisson Hotel)
I-65 & US 30 800 E 81st Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

**SEE YOU IN THE FALL!
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**

Proposed NAPM-NI Officers 2009-2010

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Elections will be held on May 20th at our last monthly meeting for the spring.

April Meeting

For our April meeting we toured Bass Pro Shops, Portage, Indiana location. We toured their store department by department and learned many inside things about their business and the people who run their departments. They are privately by Johnny Morris, the founder who started the business back in 1971. Currently they have stores all over the US. Their inventory is controlled at Point of Sale (POS). They have an ideal inventory for each store depending on their location and sales, from that inventory, when a sale is made The cash register/computer automatically schedules a replenish. Shipments may arrive daily from their corporate warehouse which is at their home location in Springfield Missouri. This is also where their purchasing is done. They seem to have it down to a fine tuned process which keeps materials flowing out their customers.

May Meeting

Our 2008-2009 season is almost over for the NAPM-NI, May will be our last meeting, and election of officers for the 2009-2010 season. The proposed slate of officers for next year is right to the left in the first column.

We will also be presenting the 2008-2009 Marty Harper Award at this meeting. Please make your reservation now at our website! Hope to see you there!

Questions- Your reply favored

We need your feedback as members! It has been suggested we add a blog area to our website. This would give the members the opportunity to post questions which they need advise on, other members may post answers, or suggestions to those questions, or pose questions of their own. Do you think this would be a worthwhile enhancement to our site?

Also, for our February meeting, which would be of more interest, a plant tour, or a session teaching Microsoft's new Office Suite package, Word, Excel, etc.?

Please send me an e-mail and let me know!
ttimm@csinet.net Thanks!

IMPORTANT C.P.M. NEWS!!

**ISM Extends C.P.M. Exam Registration
Deadline to September 30, 2009
Register by September 30, 2009 and
complete testing for C.P.M. Modules before
December 31, 2009.**

(Tempe, Ariz.) April 7, 2009 — Due to overwhelming demand, ISM has extended the Certified Purchasing Manager (C.P.M.) Exam registration deadline. Don't miss this opportunity to earn a globally recognized credential and boost your competitive edge in today's tough job market.

Since the C.P.M. Exam registration deadline on December 31, 2008, ISM has been inundated with requests from individuals for additional time to register for the C.P.M. Modules. C.P.M. Exam registrations will be accepted through September 30, 2009. All exams (including retakes) must be completed by December 31, 2009. No exceptions.

ISM encourages candidates to schedule testing as soon as possible to avoid scheduling conflicts at testing centers. Register for C.P.M. Modules at www.ism.ws/1192 or call ISM Customer Service at 800/888-6276, option 8.

As the largest supply management institute in the world, the mission of Institute for Supply Management™ (ISM) is to lead supply management. By executing and extending its mission through education, research, standards of excellence, influence building and information dissemination — including the renowned monthly ISM Report On Business® — ISM continues to extend the global impact of supply management. ISM is a not-for-profit membership association serving more than 40,000 supply management professionals in 75 countries. ISM offers credentialing to professionals around the world with the Certified Professional in Supply Management® (CPSM®) qualification. ISM is a member of the International Federation of Purchasing and Supply Management (IFPSM).

If you registered for the C.P.M., now what?? Are you keeping up on your schedule?

If you have registered for your C.P.M. are you keeping on track? Don't let this year get away from you, keep pace with your studies and make a schedule to take your exams. December 31 will be here before you know it! Keep up your pace during the summer off months to prepare for the exams. For more information, visit the Professional Credentials section of the ISM Web site or e-mail certification@ism.ws.

Last day to **take** the C.P.M. exams:
December 31, 2009

Last day C.P.M.'s may **take** Modules 3 & 4 for recertification:
December 31, 2009

Last day to **apply** for C.P.M. designation:
December 31, 2013

Last day to **register** for the C.P.M. to CPSM bridge exam:
December 31, 2013

Last day to **take** CPSM bridge exam:
December 31, 2014

The CPSM® Bridge Online Review Course (#3968) Is Here

Are you a C.P.M. waiting for the CPSM® Bridge Exam online review course? Your wait is over. The CPSM® Bridge Online Review Course is now available in the ISM Knowledge Center.

This is the review course for current C.P.M.s with a bachelor's degree to prepare for the CPSM® Bridge Exam. This course enables candidates to assess their knowledge acquired through education and experience against the content tested in the CPSM® Bridge Exam. It is not intended for those planning to take the full CPSM® Exam.

Participants get an in-depth review and assessment of the material in the CPSM® *Study Guide* by tailoring the course to their specific study needs. This interactive course includes sample test questions, case studies and bonus supplemental content developed by subject-matter experts. This bonus content gives candidates additional study material for tasks with more questions on the exam. Get immediate feedback with this online review course to customize your personal study program.

Register today at www.ism-knowledgecenter.ws. The online review course for the full CPSM® will be available in summer 2009.

2009-2010 Sessions- Preview!

Planning is well underway for our programs this fall.

We are planning the fall Scholarship Golf Outing on September 21. This may be decided by economic conditions and how many golfers we have sign up. More information will be coming over the summer. Get a foursome organized and support our scholarship program, or if you know anyone who golf's give them the information.

October 21, we will be touring the NICTD/ South Shore railway facilities in Michigan City.

November 18, 19 we have arranged for Dr. Morey to visit us with two days of seminars. Day 1, final C.P.M. preparation, this will also be CPSM introductory sessions. Day 2, CPSM Bridge Exam preparation. He will be presenting or educational event Wednesday night talking on, Strategic & Tactical Supply Management.

December 4, our annual Holiday Get Together at T. J. Maloney's. Great food and company.

January 13 or 20, joint meeting with AWMI.

February 17- still in planning stages, need your input (see **Questions** above).

March 17, we are bringing back Professor Jonathan Furdek for another timely presentation.

April 21, plant tour! Three Floyds Micro Brewing Tour. Home of Dark Lord Day the world's No. 3 craft beer.

May 19, Annual Election and Marty Harper Award dinner.

Pencil in your calendars for the fall!

OPPORTUNITY

My search firm, Quovis, Inc., has recently been retained by a client of ours in the search for Commodity Managers, for its location in Shady Grove, PA.

If you are interested take a look at the position description located on our company's website: www.QuovisInc.com.

If you are interested in pursuing this position, please email me a copy of your resume for further consideration.

Thanks,

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