



# National Association of Purchasing Management Northwest Indiana



## NEWSLETTER



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### Calendar

**September 17 or 24, 2007 Monday**

**Scholarship Golf Outing**

**Educational Meeting to follow**

Valparaiso Country Club  
2501 Country Club Road  
Valparaiso, IN 46383

**October 17 & 18 2007 Wednesday Thursday**

**C.P.M. Review Modules 3 & 4**

Dr. Russell Morey

**October 17, 2007 Wednesday**

**Educational Meeting- Dr. Russell Morey**

Strongbow's Inn  
2405 E US 30  
Valparaiso, IN 46385

**December 7, 2007 Friday**

**Christmas Gala**

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

**January 16, 2008 Wednesday**

**Joint Educational Meeting AWWI/NAPM-NI**

Center for Visual & Performing Arts  
1040 Ridge Road  
Munster, IN 46321

**February 20, 2008 Wednesday**

**Educational Meeting- NWI BP Expansion**

Phil Schmidt's  
1205 Calumet Ave  
Whiting, IN 46394

**March 19, 2008 Wednesday**

**Educational Meeting**

Strongbow's Inn  
2405 E US 30  
Valparaiso, IN 46385

**April 16, 2008 Wednesday**

**Plant Tour-**

Task Force Tips  
2800 E. Evans Ave  
Valparaiso, IN 46383

**Educational Meeting**

Popolano's  
225 S. Calumet Ave  
Chesterton, IN 46304

**May 21, 2008 Wednesday**

**Educational Meeting- Election- Marty Harper Award**

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

**2008**

**CPSM Bridge Exam Review**

Dr. Russell Morey



### President's Pen

**NAPM-NI Members,**

Our last meeting was an eventful one! Pam Taylor's insightful talk about the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank, NAPM-NI elections for 2007-2008, the up-coming NAPM-NI meeting schedule for 2007-2008 were reviewed and the Marty Harper Award was presented to Debra Cavey.

I would like to thank Pam Taylor for her interesting talk at our closing meeting. Also, I thank our Board members for the past year of service and support: Timothy Timm – Communication Chair Newsletters & Website; Sharon Duracz – Programs Co-Chair; Debra Cavey – Programs Co-Chair & Pro-D Chair; Donna Meeks – Treasurer; Charlie Ward – Scholarship Golf Outing Chair; Mary Palmer – Secretary, Suzanne Sharp, the previous Communication Chair; and Karry Rogers – Membership

Chair. The chore of running this organization is both fun and frustrating. It has been a difficult year for our organization.

The one thing we need MUST do is bring more volunteers to help with NAPM-NI. This year is my final year with NAPM-NI. We do not have a 1st or 2nd Vice Chair, which is not good. The time commitment is minimal with a great pay-back. So think about how you can volunteer for small projects or tasks to help your organization continue and grow.

Donna Meeks, our Treasurer, e-mailed the NAPM-NI invoices to our membership on 5/3/07. Please do not procrastinate. When you received Donna's e-mail, just renew and get your membership paid for 2007-2008. If you choose NOT to renew, please e-mail Donna donna.meeks@mittalsteel.com or me PRIOR to June 30th. There is a small grace period between 6/30 – 7/15. Then after 7/15, you will pay the penalty. Last year, our organization lost money because we had to either call or send additional e-mails as to the status of some members. We have a drop dead date with ISM in reporting our membership. We had to follow-up with those members who did not respond, so we missed the deadline for deleting members. So please be diligent in paying your NAPM-NI invoice. Remember, in this scenario, NAPM-NI is the supplier and what supplier does not want to get paid on time. **JUST JOIN OR REJOIN NOW AND MAIL INFORMATION TO DONNA MEEKS BEFORE 6/30/07.**

Our NAPM-NI Scholarship Fundraiser Golf Outing is scheduled for Monday, September 17th at Valparaiso CC. If you know of anyone who should be put on the mailing list, please send name, address, phone & fax number to me prior to Thursday, June 21st. The flyer and letter will be mailed out by the end of June.

In the Inside Supply Management, May, 2007, one of the comments that hit home was "The idea was for associations to share knowledge so we all get better at what we do. By sharing views, we will also get a more rounded understanding of the key issues facing our profession." That is so true. We know friends and business associates, who would benefit from this organization. Talk to them, give them a copy of our membership form, show them our website, and invite them to an up-coming meeting.

Visit the website during the summer to see the upcoming schedule of events and to read our newsletters. Tim and Mary will be attending Leadership Conferences, so you will be able to read what they learned and how we can apply it to our organization.

Enjoy the summer with family and friends. We will stay in touch with our newsletters. Take care. Pam ☺

## **MAY- NAPM-NI ELECTIONS**

The officers for your affiliate for the upcoming year are:

Pam Hale, C.P.M.- President  
Mary Palmer- Secretary  
Donna Meeks, C.P.M., A.P.P.- Treasurer  
Timothy Timm, C.P.M., A.P.P.- Communications & Newsletter/Web Chair  
Patty Grove, C.P.M., A.P.P.- International Chair  
Debra Cavey- Pro-D & Programs Co Chair  
Sharon Duracz, C.P.M.- Membership & Programs Co Chair  
Charlie Ward- Golf Outing Chair

## **Summer Leadership Workshops**

ISM Leadership Training Workshops provide the opportunity for affiliate leadership to learn the skills necessary to perform the tasks required for their ISM affiliate leadership position as well as invaluable networking opportunities with leadership from other ISM affiliates. A link to the 2007 Leadership Training workshop registration information is listed below.

Ultimately, the affiliate's membership will be the beneficiaries of the training and tools their leadership brings back from this year's workshop.

2007 Leadership Training Workshop Registration Packets can be accessed from <http://www.ism.ws/MembersOnly/content.cfm?ItemNumber=15674>. Representatives from your affiliate may attend any of the three workshops. Please feel welcome to send as many affiliate representatives as necessary to a Leadership Training Workshop. ISM will award \$300 per attendee for up to five (5) workshop attendees from each affiliate.

Each of the Leadership Training Committees has planned a Spirit Award event. Please see complete details on page 2 of each of the registration packets. 2007 Spirit Awards will be presented at lunch on Saturday.

Please note the following dates of importance:

### **St. Louis Leadership Training Workshop**

June 22-23, 2007 ISM St. Louis Leadership Training Workshop. The workshop will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, June 22nd to allow for Friday morning travel. If you plan on being in St. Louis on Friday morning, the Leadership Training Committee has scheduled four pre-workshop sessions. Please see the workshop registration packet at <http://www.ism.ws/MembersOnly/content.cfm?ItemNumber=15674>, for details.

May 24, 2007 Early bird registration (\$150) deadline. Registrations submitted after this date will be \$165. Register online at <http://www.ism.ws/go?page=279>.

May 24, 2007 Hotel registration deadline. All reservations are processed on a space available basis, so please

make your reservations early. Hotel reservation information can be found on page 13 of the registration packet.

### ***Las Vegas Leadership Training Workshop***

July 6-7, 2007 ISM Las Vegas Leadership Training Workshop. The workshop will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, July 6th to allow for Friday morning travel. If you plan on being in Las Vegas on Friday morning, the Leadership Training Committee has scheduled seven pre-workshop sessions. Please see the workshop registration packet at <http://www.ism.ws/MembersOnly/content.cfm?ItemNumber=15674>, for details.

June 1, 2007 Early bird registration (\$150) deadline. Registrations submitted after this date will be \$165. Register online at <http://www.ism.ws/go?page=201>.

June 21, 2007 Hotel registration deadline. All reservations are processed on a space available basis, so please make your reservations early. Hotel reservation information can be found on page 13 of the registration packet.

### ***Baltimore Leadership Training Workshop***

July 20-21, 2004 ISM Baltimore Leadership Training Workshop. The workshop will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, July 20th to allow for Friday morning travel. If you plan on being in Baltimore on Friday morning, the Leadership Training Committee has scheduled three pre-workshop sessions. Please see the workshop registration packet at <http://www.ism.ws/MembersOnly/content.cfm?ItemNumber=15674>, for details.

June 26, 2007 Early bird registration (\$150) deadline. Registrations submitted after this date will be \$165. Register online at <http://www.ism.ws/go?page=172>.

June 26, 2007 Hotel registration deadline. All reservations are processed on a space available basis, so please make your reservations early. Hotel reservation information can be found on page 13 of the registration packet.

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AND  
SAFE  
SUMMER!  
SEE  
YOU  
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SEPTEMBER**



# IMPORTANT REQUEST

Dear NAPM-NI Member,

Please excuse the interruption, however NAPM-NI needs your important input and feedback. First I would like to apologize for not being in contact as much as we should have this year. There have been so many changes in people's places of employment, responsibilities, hours and contact information that we have lost track of many of you.

The first thing I would like to do to try to reconnect with you and improve this is to verify how and where you would like to receive correspondence.

Would you like us to return to a paper version of the NAPM-NI Newsletter mailed to you?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      \_\_\_\_\_ no

Would you prefer the current electronic version which is e-mailed or web accessible?

\_\_\_\_\_ yes      \_\_\_\_\_ no

Where you would like this information sent? Home or work, and what is the current contact information for you?

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE- WORK/ HOME \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail- WORK/ HOME \_\_\_\_\_

With this information we are going to make an attempt to keep you better informed on your affiliate happenings.

Each ISM member is also responsible for updating your own information on the ISM web site. Keeping this information current is important as it allows ISM to keep in contact with you, and allows us to mirror our information against theirs to stay in touch. Please take a few moments and go to the ISM web site, <http://ism.ws/>, log into MEMBERS ONLY, MEMBER INFORMATION AND ONLINE TOOLS, ADDRESS UPDATE FORM, and update your information there also.

If you could return this information to me by mail, or e-mail it would be appreciated!

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Thanks  
Tim