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CALENDAR

September 15, 2003, Monday

Scholarship Golf Outing
Valparaiso Country Club
2501 Country Club Road
Valparaiso, IN

September 17, 2003, Wednesday

Motivational Speaker
Patio Restaurant
7706 Broadway
Merrillville, IN

October 15, 2003, Wednesday

International Meeting- Fisher International
Import/ Export
Tiebel's Restaurant
US 30 & US 41
Scherverville, IN

November 19, 2003, Wednesday

Stress on the Job and Better Health
Valparaiso Country Club
2501 Country Club Road
Valparaiso, IN

January 21, 2004, Wednesday

AWMI Joint Meeting
Center for Visual & Performing Arts
907 Ridge Road
Munster, IN

February 18, 2004, Wednesday

Negotiations- Michelle Kantor
Majestic Star Restaurant
1 Buffington Harbor
Gary, IN

March 24-25, 2004, Wednesday- Thursday

C.P.M./ A.P.P. Review with Dr. Russell Morey
Valparaiso University
College Ave.
Valparaiso, IN

March 24, 2004, Wednesday

Strategic Sourcing- Dr. Russell Morey
Strongbow's Restaurant
2405 US Hwy 30
Valparaiso, IN

April 21, 2004, Wednesday

Plant Tour- Sager Metal Products
100 Boone Drive
Michigan City, IN
Rodini's Restaurant
4125 Franklin Street (US 421)
Michigan City, IN

May 19, 2004, Wednesday

Annual Meeting and Elections
Economic Redevelopment and the Gary Airport
Patio Restaurant
7706 Broadway
Merrillville, IN

Dues Reminder!!!

All of the members should have received their dues invoice electronically by e-mail this year

around June 5. Dues are currently \$180.00 and are payable no later than August 1. Payments after August 1 will be \$205.00 and payments not made by September 15 will result in your membership being dropped. Please make an effort if you have not already done so to remit your dues. Remember, your membership includes our monthly educational event with dinner.

Scholarship Golf Outing

Our annual Scholarship Golf Outing scheduled for September 15th at the beautiful Valparaiso Country Club is almost here. Sign up sheets and information are available on the web site and remember “*early birds*” still sign up at last year’s rates! Remember we will be raffling a set of golf clubs this year, so bring a few extra dollars to the outing with you, you may take home a new set of clubs. Hope to see you there!

Presidents Pen

Hi Everyone,

Hope your summer has been nice – packed full of fun, rest and relaxation. I know that mine has not been. I’ve been to The Community Hospital Out-Patient Services so much lately; it’s beginning to feel like home – that’s sad.

We’ve got a great year planned for you. Hope everyone has paid their dues. This year, Donna Meeks did it electronically, which helped her tremendously. If you haven’t paid yet, do so NOW. We do not want you to be dropped from our NAPM-NI organization.

Next, please sign up for our Annual NAPM-NI Golf Outing. It’s on Monday, September 15, at the Valparaiso Country Club. A set of golf clubs will be raffled off. Remember this event is our money making event for scholarships and training for our organization. So please support it. Go to our web site for the details and to sign-up.

Economic prospects are certainly brightening, but there are still signs for caution. Our field is

being challenged now more than ever. Even though the Purchasing Index is 62.7, persistently weak employment, higher than expected energy prices, potential for state/local tax hikes and spending cuts, and still stretched private sector balance sheets are the big worries. So stay in touch with NAPM-NI by attending our monthly meetings, volunteering for a small project, and networking with other members and businesses within our organization.

A few of our Board members attended Summer Training sessions. So I’m sure they will be passing those ideas along to us throughout the year. Remember this year; we are having a C.P.M. Training session being taught by Dr. Russell Morey. So if you haven’t received your C.P.M. credentials yet, now is the time to do so.

Take care everyone. Hope to see you at our Golf Outing.

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Calendar- 2003-2004

As hard as it is to believe, our meeting schedule is almost ready to begin. Wednesday, September will be our first event of the new year. The meeting location will be the Patio Restaurant in 7706 Broadway in Merrillville. We are still working out the details for a speaker, but will keep you informed before the meeting.

Remember to use the fast link on our home page to make your meeting reservations. One other note, you may receive two to three meeting reminders before meeting dates. If you are planning to attend only RSVP ONCE please. That is all that it takes. Thanks!

Enjoy what is left of your summer, and enjoy the sunrise every morning!