



THE QUOTE

NEWS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Carol Froedtert, from Foote Hospital in Jackson, gave a wonderful presentation on hospital purchasing at our last dinner meeting. Her facility ranks among the top for purchasing practices and procedures and strives for continuous improvements along with staying current on new innovations. Several of her departmental responsibilities were quite surprising to me --- such as patient transport within the hospital.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the choice of topics and speakers at our 2000 Michigan Purchasing Conference at Higgins Lake. It was nice to meet some new people there for their first time as well as seeing the "regulars". We hope to have our date for next year finalized soon.

You should have all received your dues billing by now. We will offer a free dinner, redeemable at any 2001 dinner meeting, for those of you who pay by January 31, 2001.

Just a last minute reminder, the next satellite seminar will be on November 16th. The topic this time is Electronic Commerce.

We have started emailing our newsletter now. If you would like to join our growing list, please send your request to napmcm@msu.edu and we will get you added.

Our September 1st membership tally reached 44,631 with 34,189 C.P.M.'s and 5,072 A.P.P.'s. Did you know, in some cases, a lapsed certification can be reinstated? Until the end of this year, new testing is not required if your lapsed time is under 5 years. After that, your "grace" period is only one year. Contact NAPM headquarters for further information. By the way, Arizona does not observe Daylight Savings Time, so they remain on Mountain Standard Time year-round.

After attending a conference for my work in Scottsdale, I was able to visit NAPM in Tempe. It is a very beautiful, modern building in a very lovely setting. Plans are in the works already for the second expansion. Everyone was very nice and eager to help any of us in any way they possibly can. So don't hesitate to call them.

The November dinner meeting is in Lansing and as always, hope to see you there on the 21st.

Jackie Clair, C.P.M.
President

NEW MEMBERS

Student Members:

- Jennifer L. Trogan
- Carmen M. Spike (Baraniek)
- Tim P. Farago
- Heather J. Cote
- Robyn L. Lovell
- Gloria Ann Pace
- Annette S. Salazar
- Andrea M. Schworm
- Joanne Shum
- Tiffany L. Vandelaar

Regular Members:

- Mike Siefker, Bekum America
- Brian D. Harper, Mid State Automotive
- John J. Kibiloski, Bekum America

A.P.P./C.P.M. Update:

- Kari Place, A.P.P.
- Charles Gelfand, C.P.M.(Recertification)

DINNER MEETING

Our dinner meeting will be November 21st at the Windsor Mountain Grille (6951 Lansing Rd.) The speaker is Paul M. Tarr of P.M. Tarr & Associates Capitol Action Consulting. He will discuss The effect of the Election on the Economy.

- Social Hour: 5:30 p.m.
- Dinner: 6:30 p.m.
- Meeting: 7:15 p.m.

RESERVATIONS: Please contact Denise O'Brien (obriend@msu.edu) or Mike Butchart (mlbutchart@cmsenergy.com) to make your reservation by 5:00 p.m. on November 17th, 2000.

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Job Opportunity – Lansing Board of Water and Light

Position Title: Buyer

Company: Lansing Board of Water and Light, Lansing, MI

Salary Range: Market Based

Job Description: The Lansing Board of Water and Light, a large municipal utility, has a vacancy for an advanced level position in Material and Services Management. The successful candidate will be responsible for a variety of duties involving various aspects of material and services management, including purchasing, inventory management, investment recovery, and e-commerce. Coordinates/develops/implements supply strategies for utility processes (including but not limited to electric power generation, electric power distribution, and water production and distribution) to assure continuity and quality of supply and best value.

Requirements: Minimum of BA in a business related field, prefer major in material and supply management, economics, finance, management or engineering. Must presently have one of the following certifications: CPM, CPPO, CPBO. Minimum 5 years supply chain management, material management, or purchasing experience. Experience with commodities associated with utility distribution or production preferred. BWL has an outstanding compensation package and a pleasant work environment. The BWL is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Send resume to:

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