

**NEWS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT**

So it's February already and colder than any well digger would like it to be. How about some jovial warmth with compatriots on February 18th. We will be getting together at the Sheraton in Lansing to have Deb Gundry talk to us about ergonomics. With a few aches and pains following the holidays, you might find that it is not your aging body but the way you park it. Make plans to be at the Sheraton in Lansing and lets see if there is a way to eliminate some of the suspected ravages of aging.

What is the local NAPM/ISM chapter doing and when do they do it. We are a seven member board from Mid Michigan and meet the first Tuesday of every month to keep things going. In talking to other clubs, they are amazed at how well we seem to get along and get things done. I'm telling you this because we are looking for others with interest in becoming officers. It is election time and you might want to see if this is something you would enjoy doing. If you think you might, contact one of the officers or show up at our March 4<sup>th</sup> Board meeting in Lansing.

We have some dates coming up that we'd like to make sure you are aware of.

On Tuesday, June 10, we will be at a Lugnuts Game. This event will give you center field deck seating and a good meal. The cost will be \$20 and it's not too early to think about it.

Higgins Lake 2003 is scheduled for October 8-10 at beautiful Higgins Lake. This is our 27th annual fall conference and the planning committee is doing a bang up job of making this the best one yet. Make your plans now and get ready to become a more educated and relaxed buyer.

I also hope you are aware that March is Supply Management Month. For those of us ISM/NAPM members, it's a good time to recognize our importance to the workplace and the good job we do.

**JANUARY MEETING RESULTS**

The following survey results from our January dinner meeting are based on 14 replies with 4 being the highest: dinner/3.07, topic/3.57, speaker/3.71. Those that were unable to attend, missed a great time. We had a lot of fun while learning how to make our workplace a better place.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT****New Regular Members:**

Thomas D. Maino, Michigan Automotive Compressor.

Carolyn L. Marino, Tenneco Automotive.

John T. Eckerle, Chem Trend, Inc.

**New Student Members:**

Victoria V. Chiem, MSU

Kristin A. McDonough, MSU

Carol A. Finnegan, MSU

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know you can also receive reimbursement for the C.P.M. and A.P.P. exams from the VA? If you are currently eligible for the Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30) or VEAP (Chapter 32), you may qualify. It's worth checking out if you're a GI.

See [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov) for details.

**DINNER MEETING**

Please note the location of our February 18<sup>th</sup> dinner meeting has changed due to re-modeling at Windsor Mountain Grill.

- Christie's Bistro (Sheraton/Lansing)
- 925 S. Creyts Rd.
- I-496 to exit 1B, north, on right
- Deb Gundry, Safety Consultant
- Michigan Dept. of Consumer and Industry Services
- Buying Ergonomically: Keyboards to Hi-Lo's
- We will be updated on past, current and pending legislation. She will also cover if we, as office workers, are "safe" from an ergonomic standpoint and what we need to consider if we are buying for others.

To attend the Feb. Dinner Meeting, please contact:

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## SATELLITE SEMINAR REMINDER

**April 10, 2003**

Leadership Skills for Supply Management

**June 12, 2003**

Reengineering MRO Procurement to Impact  
Your Organization's Bottom line

## FUTURE DINNER MEETINGS

**February 18, 2003 – Lansing**

Buying Ergonomically: Keyboards to Hi-Lo's

**March 18, 2003 – Jackson**

Investment Recovery's Role in the Supply  
Chain

**April 15, 2003 – Lansing**

Supplier Diversity: Where do you Start?

## LUGNUTS OUTING

**June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

## HIGGINS LAKE 2003

**Higgins Lake 2003 will be held  
October 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>.**

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