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The mission of NAPM Central Michigan, Inc. is to serve the needs of its members and the profession by providing quality learning opportunities through educational forums, career broadening and mentoring experiences. Additionally, it is our mission to promote increased recognition of NAPM and the growth opportunities offered by the organization.

NEWS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Thanks to all who participated in the September dinner meeting. Dave Taylor put together a fun night of fellowship and food to honor Dr. John Hoagland. We thank Mark Bayshore from WFMK for acting as our host as well as the distinguished professors and staff from Michigan State University for taking part in the program. We also thank some of Dr. Hoagland's past students for sharing some stories with us. Great job Dave. Next month's dinner meeting is in Jackson after we take a plant tour. We hope to see you there.

Don't forget to check out your ISM website to get the current issue of *Just in ETime*. This is one of your benefits as a member. In the October 5, 2004 issue, the September Non-Manufacturing ISM *Report on Business*, reports that business activity in the non-manufacturing sector increased in September. This is the 18th consecutive month that it has increased. Also in September, new orders, employment, order backlogs, imports, prices, exports and inventories increased.

If you are interested in being more involved with ISM at the national level there are opportunities to serve in several volunteer positions. The following positions are available:

- Affiliate Support Council
- Leadership Training Committees
- Certification Committee
- Diversity Committee
- Ethical Standards Committee
- Educational Resources Committee
- Permanent Conference Committee

You must submit your qualifications on the ISM Web Site by December 10, 2004. If you are interested in serving at the local level, contact any of your officers.

SATELLITE SEMINAR REMINDER

Thursday, October 21, 2004
Best Practices for Negotiations and Contracting

27TH MICHIGAN PURCHASING CONFERENCE

The 27th Michigan Purchasing Conference was held October 6th through 8th at Higgins Lake. Those of us that were fortunate enough to attend found an excellent conference with a good mix of speakers and attendees. The weather was great overall with just a sprinkle or two on Friday. As always, the food and accommodations were excellent. Jerry's refreshment station was a popular gathering point during free time. The wealth of knowledge shared by the speakers, the panel, and the attendees was invaluable. The networking with new and old friends was great. John Hoagland's Business Outlook is an event we all look forward to. Whether or not you were able to be with us this year, start planning now for next year. The conference just gets better every year.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Student Members:

Michael A Miller, MSU

Ian Cole, MSU

OCTOBER DINNER MEETING

Date: Tuesday, October 19, 2004.

Plant Tour: Tac Manufacturing
Managing Your Inventory without JIT!

Location: Tac Manufacturing followed by dinner at Bullinger's in Jackson.

Time: Tour 6:00 pm.

Dinner: following tour

To attend the October meeting, please contact:

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SATELLITE SEMINAR REMINDER

Thursday, October 21, 2004

Best Practices for Negotiations and Contracting

Thursday, February 10, 2005

Finding and Keeping the Best Sources

Thursday, April 14, 2005

Supply Chain Research Trends and Market Intelligence

Thursday, June 9, 2005

Discovering Supply Management's Social Conscience

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