

THE QUOTE

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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

It sure seems like summer gets shorter every year. Here we are already in the month of September. The children are back in school and football is in full swing. Coaches spend an enormous amount of time preparing their players and teams for game time. The teams that win year after year are the teams that are always trying to improve. Shouldn't we do the same? It is important that we continue to learn and grow so we may also compete and be at the top of our game. The old saying, "If you snooze you lose" holds true. Knowledge makes you more valuable and a stronger player in the Supply Management world of today. NAPM Central Michigan and ISM can help you become a better player.

Tim Pinter has been putting together a great schedule of professional development meetings for us that is going to help us be better at what we do. From plant tours to speakers he has a great lineup for the months ahead. Make sure get to some or all of these meetings. We have food, fun and learn all at the same time. Invest a couple hours a month in your future and meet with fellow members to share and network.

From ISM we are told that economic activity in the manufacturing sector expanded in August for the seventh consecutive month and the overall economy has grown for the 70th consecutive month.

Visit us online at <http://www.msu.edu/user/napmcm/> and check out the survey and the "Toolbox". It doesn't cost you a penny and we would like to hear from you. Do you know someone who could benefit from membership? Please let us know and we will send them an information packet.

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, please send your request to napmcm@msu.edu

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The following new member was approved at the last NAPM board meeting:

Honey Jankowiak, Buyer
Jackson National Life Insurance Company

NAPM-CM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Date: SEPTEMBER 18th
Plant Tour: Mac Steel Manufacturing Facility
Location: 3100 Brooklyn Rd
Jackson, MI 49203
Phone: 517.764.0311

Host: Tom McElroy Purchasing Manager

Tom will provide a jacket, hard hat, safety glasses and ear plugs. The plant is a dusty environment shoes and pants are subject to dust

Directions: From 94 take exit 142 US 127 south toward Hudson, take 4th exit M50 toward Monroe, approximately .5 miles just passed the railroad tracks turn left onto Brooklyn Rd follow signs to main entrance, go to Adm building reception lobby.

Registration: 6:00 pm tour starts 6:20

Dinner: Steaks Eatery
4243 Oak Lane
Jackson, MI
Phone: 517.787.8760

From Mac Steel, turn right on M-50 drive back over US 127 to first right (Oak Lane) proceed .25 miles

Please RSPV By Friday September 13th:

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Or Any Board Member

STUDENT NIGHT AT MSU

Tuesday, October 9, 2007

Student Night At MSU

Location: MSU Business School Room N100

Alistair Hirst, VP Global Procurement

Kellogg's Time: 6- 8

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SATELLITE SEMINARS

Thursday, October 11, 2007

Global Sourcing: Where in the World Are Our Suppliers?

Thursday, February 7, 2008

Market Intelligence for Supply Professionals

Thursday, April 17, 2008

Supply Management's Role in Sustainability

Higgins Michigan

Purchasing Conference

October 10, 11, & 12, 2007

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