

# 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

For those of you that were at the November professional development meeting I am sure you found it very informative. Bruce Rasher from Consumers Energy did a great job telling us about the new department at Consumers that is heads up. Renewable energy is going to be a huge thing in our futures and it is not going to be easy to establish. Rasher told us solar is probably not feasible in Michigan and very few people want enormous windmills on their property and the power lines that go with them. Many of us want to be “green” but do we want to make the sacrifices to get there? We will see in the years ahead.

Tim Pinter has set lunch meetings in January for Lansing and Jackson for those who would prefer meeting during the day rather than at night. We have meetings coming up on identity theft and by the head of procurement for Masco. Both should be very good. We would like to see you there so we can meet you and talk about what you would like to see in the future.

Information is now out on the next ISM International Conference in May. It will take place in St. Louis on May 4-7, 2008 and will be full of a variety of sessions that will help you do your job better. Also remember it is dues time so make sure you get your dues paid so you maintain your benefits.

We wish Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all of you and hope to see you soon.

Mike Hicks

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## MEMBERSHIP

### New Regular Member:

Brad Stambaugh  
Central Michigan University Purchasing

### New Trial Member:

Jun Su  
Motor Products

## DECEMBER WINE TASTING CANCELLED

The December 11<sup>th</sup> Wine Tasting Social has been CANCELLED. We did have a number of members that were interested in the event. I know that this is a busy time for everyone and I appreciate the response we did receive indicating an interest in having social activities. We are planning another event for this summer, details to follow.

## JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup> PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LUNCHEON MEETING

Speaker: Trooper Rothman, MI State Police  
Topic: Business Identity Theft  
Location: Steaks Eatery, Jackson  
Registration: 11:30

## JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LUNCHEON MEETING

Speaker: Sgt Rampy MI State Police  
Topic: Business Identity Theft  
Location: Dublin Square English Pub  
East Lansing  
Registration: 11:30

## FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Speakers: Jeremy Wilson & John Dobias  
Spartan Chassis  
Topic: Spartan Chassis overview and their 3 primary areas of interest; Military, Firetrucks, Motorhome  
Location: Crossroads Bar and Grill  
154 S. Main St.  
Leslie, MI  
US 127 South of Jackson  
517-589-5895

As always if there is a specific topic of interest please let me know or any Board Member.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year.

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
SATELLITE SEMINARS**

**Thursday, February 7, 2008**

Market Intelligence for Supply Professionals

**Thursday, April 17, 2008**

Supply Management's Role in Sustainability

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