National Association of Purchasing Management

# 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**

Merry Christmas and happy holidays to all. This is a great time of year to keep in touch with people that you usually see or talk to. Take a few minutes and write of call someone you have not talked to for awhile. We miss too many opportunities to keep in touch with old friends. It seems like this is one of those things many of us put off until it is too late. With email and cell phones it should be pretty easy.

I am looking for someone to fill the membership position on the Purchasing Board. We meet once a month for about 1-1/2 hours and we will work you into the position over time so you know what to do. Please contact me if you are even a little interested. It is an easy way to be involved in your purchasing association.

The Board is looking for input as to what you expect from your membership. Are you looking for learning opportunities, or networking opportunities? Would you participate in a charity event like Relay For Life or work on a house with Habitat for Humanity? We have been discussing ways to be more involved in our communities. Please let us know what you think and tell us if you would help. Times are tough for many people and maybe you can make life a little better for someone.

Tim Pinter has Professional Development Meetings lined up for the next few month and we would love to see you at one of them. We will be presenting a couple of scholarships at the January meeting so come and be a part of it.

All of us on the Board hope your holiday season is the best yet. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and we will see you at the meeting in January.

Mike

#### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

### **New Regular Member:**

Mr. Damon Skinner, Fleet Manager, Auburn Hills, MI.

# NAPM-CM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

### **DECEMBER 2008**

No meeting Scheduled

We wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

# JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>

**Speaker:** Dr. David Closs

Professor MSU Chairperson

Department of Supply Chain

Management

**Topic:** Logistic

**Location:** Crossroads Bar & Grill

154 Main St. Leslie, MI

**Phone:** 517.589.5895

**Direction:** Leslie is south of Mason and

north of Jackson off US 127 the Leslie and Bellevue Road exit.

**Registration:** 6:00pm

\$20/member \$15/student

**Please RSPV:** Tim Pinter 517.372.9121 x104 tpinter@auroraspchm.com or Any Board Member by Friday January 16th

As always will invite all members and guests to attend and interact with the speakers and others to discuss current concerns one may deal with on a continuous or periodic basis.

# FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>

We have a plant tour of Neogeon scheduled details to follow.

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SATELLITE SEMINARS

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Preparing to Negotiate On-Shore and Offshore

Thursday June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009 CANCELED

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