

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.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There continues to be a troubled economical outlook in the State of Michigan. We with procurement responsibilities are stressed to make correct decisions in keeping our firm competitive. With this in mind we at NAPM-CM hope to provide a framework for members to share their knowledge and experiences and also to provide support, etc. to those that may need just a word of encouragement.

My goal for the upcoming year is to encourage our members to get more involved in order to sustain NAPM-CM. These are three areas that I am targeting:

- Membership
- Web-Site
- Fundraising

Membership: We, as an organization are in desperate need to find individuals that are willing to volunteer time to support this affiliate. We are looking for individuals to become Board Members, chairs to support activities such as education, communication, certification, PR, recruitment, group forum, etc. These activities do not require a great deal of time. As little as one or two hours per week can make a difference. In many cases this can be done in five to fifteen minute segments. As a chair, you would be working with the Board Member associated with the specific activity. I will be contacting members soliciting support in these areas.

Web-Site: We would like to have the Web-Site become more user friendly for our members. We would like to know what interests could be listed that would make one go to the web-site for information. Possible examples could be a list of seminars scheduled by the different forum groups or how one could find a paper on a specific subject that may be listed on National's web-site. If you are like me what I think should be easy to find never is.

Fundraiser: In the past we have used the Conference at Higgins Lake as the primary fundraiser to support the student scholarships and other charitable activities. We have

temporarily suspended this conference due to economic conditions. We do want to continue to support students and other non-profit organizations but need a method to raise money so I am asking for suggestions that we can consider. Again, we need input.

I want to thank our current Board Members; Mike Butchart, Ray Irvine, Jerry Williams, and Boyd Shumaker for their continued support to this affiliate. Also we need to recognize Mike Hicks our past President for the leadership he has provided the past two years.

We also want to thank Denise O'Brien for her work in coordinating the Satellite Seminars over the past several years. Denise has taken on other responsibilities and is no longer able to continue duties as coordinator. At this time three Satellite seminars are to be scheduled for the upcoming season. The seminars are held at the MSU Administrative Services Building located at 88 Service Drive. We definitely need help in order to continue this successful program. Please contact Boyd Shumaker at 517.355.0357 ext 162 or email Boyd at shumake3@msu.edu for details and benefits.

For those members looking for employment, you may qualify for a waiver on the annual dues. You need to contact Boyd Shumaker for details. Thanks Boyd.

We have been in contact with the local APICS affiliate and will be discussing the possibility of joint Professional Development Meetings. This would provide additional opportunity for networking.

There will be no Board meeting in July nor will the newsletter "Quote" be published.

The next Board meeting will be on August 4th we welcome any member to join us.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Member:

Tobin Collins, Parma MI

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
SATELLITE SEMINARS**

Thursday, October 22, 2009

Navigating the Numbers: A Supply Manager's
Guide to Defining and Applying Economic and
Financial Concepts

Thursday, February 11, 2010

Thursday, April 22, 2010

(Topics to be determined)

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NAPM - Central Michigan Angell Award
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**41ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
& PRODUCTS EXPOSITION**

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Exposition will be held Sunday, September 13 -
Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at the
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AZ

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