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## NEWS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

You may never have given it a lot of thought, but there is a lot of knowledge necessary to insure the turf on a football stadium is up to snuff. On April 16th, you are welcome to come to our April dinner meeting and find out all there is to know about the new turf at Spartan Stadium. As buyers, we have all been known to purchase some different materials. How many have ever had to set up the turf on a football stadium? Come on along and lets see what we can learn this night.

This will also be the meeting where we elect officers and give away the scholarships. You don't have to worry about being nominated so you are safe there. We will be meeting at the Kellogg Center at 6:00 so plan on attending.

If you haven't already signed up, there is a Satellite Seminar on April 11 on Michigan State's campus. This is titled "Doing Business Electronically: Selecting the Best Options." If you haven't signed up for this yet, you might want to hurry up. Between users, builders and pushers of Electronic Business, this might prove to be a wealth of information on this topic.

Also on our agenda are the May dinner meeting (Potter Park Zoo - Buying for the Capital City's Zoo) and our June trip to the Lugnuts. We are trying to find ways to pique your interest, so please show up and let us know what you think.

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## SO WHERE DID THE DOMAIN NAME ".WS" COME FROM?

With the name change to Institute for Supply Management™, we wanted to find a URL that would be easy for everyone to remember. The natural choice would be ism.org, but we found quite an interesting trail once we tried to secure a new URL nearly two years ago. All ism.com, .net, and .org addresses were taken up a while ago.

Our web team contacted all of these folks to determine their interest in selling their domain name to us, with no luck whatsoever. We then found that Western Samoa (Internet country code WS) makes available that top-level domain name, and markets ".ws" as "Web Site." So, for a small annual fee, we've got a short and easily memorable Internet URL: [www.ism.ws](http://www.ism.ws). Think

of it as ISM's Web Site, if you have trouble keeping it in mind.

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

### Recertified C.P.M.'s

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## ISM CERTIFICATES

Certificates with the Institute for Supply Management™ name and logo began being issued in the fall of 2001 for those candidates currently earning or renewing their C.P.M. and A.P.P. certificates. All C.P.M. and A.P.P. certificates are now being issued under the new ISM name and logo. Replacement certificates may be requested by visiting the Certification area of [www.ism.ws](http://www.ism.ws) and selecting "Online Forms."

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## APRIL DINNER MEETING

**Topic:** Spartan Stadium Turf Project (MSU Stadium really goes Green!)

**Speakers:** Denise O'Brien (buyer of the turf modules) and Mark Collins, Farm Manager, Turfgrass Research Facility at MSU.

**Location:** Kellogg Center, East Lansing

**Date:** Tuesday, April 16, 2002

Social Hour: 6:00 p.m.

Dinner Served: 6:30 p.m.

Speaker: 7:15 p.m.

**Dinner:** Pan Roasted Breast of Chicken, House Mixed Field Greens Salad, Selection of fruit pies (cherry/apple), and beverage. Vegetarian meals are available upon request. Includes Parking Pass for parking garage.

Reservations appreciated by Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at noon if possible. To attend, contact:

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## SATELLITE SEMINAR REMINDER

**April 11, 2002**

Doing Business Electronically: Selecting  
the Best Options

**June 13, 2002**

Services Purchasing: Making the Right  
Decisions

### OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

**June 13, 2002**

Lugnuts Outing

**October 9, 10, and 11, 2002**

26th Annual Michigan Purchasing  
Conference at Higgins Lake

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