

January

2004

NEWS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT – January 2004

Happy New Year to everyone! We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and are ready for a prosperous 2004 personally and with his or her companies.

It's not final yet, but we hope to be able to offer a location in Ann Arbor for our satellite seminars. We are working with the director and students in the Industrial Distribution program at Eastern Michigan University. This should help more of our members in that area of the state attend. The seminars are always beneficial but when the drive takes almost an hour each way that means taking the whole day off. We're working hard to get things set for the Feb. 5th broadcast but should have it for sure for the one on April 1st.

The annual Get-A-Member Campaign is kicking off this month. We are just now getting info about it. All new rewards have been selected for the individual recruiter and depending on the number, the affiliate may qualify for a prize too. Kim should have more about it for you next month.

Did you know? 2003 saw ISM become one of the first recipients of the American National Standards Institute's (ANSI's) accreditation for our C.P.M. and A.P.P. programs. It was truly a great honor for us to receive this distinction. ISM has added the ANSI logo to the C.P.M. and A.P.P. certificates.

While on the topic of certification, don't forget either certification may qualify for college credit. New York started this years ago and now many colleges and universities participate. The ISM website has a list of participating institutions and documentation for getting yours included. You can also find information to help you get reimbursed by your employer and the VA will pay for the test costs under the G.I. Bill. Lastly, your local affiliate, NAPM-CM also offers reimbursement options.

ISM has recently added a new course within the Knowledge Center that enables you to practice ethical decision-making skills and test your response to situations and ethical dilemmas. Developed with ISM's Ethical Standards Committee, the course will acquaint you with ISM's *Principles and Standards of Ethical Supply Management Conduct With Accompanying Guidelines*. This self-paced course relates to Module 1 of the C.P.M. and A.P.P. Exams. The course is offered **free of charge** and will award 1 CEH. To enroll, visit the ISM Knowledge Center at www.ism-knowledgecenter.ws/ethics_course.html. If you are new to the ISM Knowledge Center, a link on that page will allow you to obtain a login ID and password.

Our meeting this month sounds quite interesting. Tim Sparks, from Consumers Energy in Jackson will be speaking about how the power grid works and what happened in 2003 with the major loss of power. Remember, you can always bring a guest: spouse, friend, co-worker. This topic should be of interest to most everyone.

I will not be able to attend our meeting on the 20th, but hope many of you will be able to enjoy it.

Jackie Clair, C.P.M.
President

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ISM MEMBERSHIP
December 1, 2003
43,168
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One Member at a Time

C.P.M. AND A.P.P. NEWS

C.P.M. & A.P.P. TALLY		
	December 2003	December 2002
Total C.P.M.s issued	40,969	39,546
Total A.P.P.s issued	7,308	6,749

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Student Members:

Chaddrick F. Blanchard
Tianjia Gu

New Regular Members:

Shelley M. Muzo
Kelly A. Ritter
David Nancarrow, C.P.M.
Kathy Lynch

JANUARY DINNER MEETING

Have you heard about the “**power grid**”? Do you remember the big blackout on the east coast back in the middle of August 2003? This major blackout will be the topic for our January dinner meeting that is being held at Bullinger’s restaurant in Jackson on the 20th.

Our speaker is Tim Sparks from Consumers Energy Company. Mr. Sparks will help us understand why it happened and what happened as a result of it. Be sure go come to the January meeting to find out.

Bullinger’s is located at 501 Longfellow Street on the west side of Jackson. Their phone is 517-783-3768 if you have any questions for them.

From the north take 127 south into Jackson. It turns into West Avenue. Go about 1-1/2 miles and turn right on Ganson Street. Go about .6 mile and Bullinger’s will be on your left.

From the west and east take Airport Road exit 137 and turn right on Airport Road. Airport Road turns into Laurence Ave drive about 1 mile and turn left on Wildwood Avenue. Bullingers will be about .1 of a mile on the right.

Social time from 6-6:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:30 and program at 7:30. We really hope to see you there.

To attend the January Meeting, please contact:

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The February meeting will be at Trippers in Lansing at the Frandor Shopping Center. We will have Denise Paquet from Habitat For Humanity as the speaker.

JOB OPENING

MASCO in Taylor, MI. is looking for a Contract Specialist with 10 years purchasing experience, prefer manufacturing. Offering \$100-110K. Contact Ruth Gordon, 516-330-8500 x 196.

SATELLITE SEMINAR REMINDER

Thursday, February 5, 2004

Logistics in Supply Management

Thursday, April 1, 2004

Controlling Costs by Controlling Your Inventory

Thursday, June 10, 2004

Improving Your Role with Effective Project Management

UPCOMING DATES & TOPICS

January 20, 2004:

The Power Grid and How it Works, Tom Sparks, Jackson

February 17, 2004:

Business in the Community--Habitat for Humanity, Lansing

March 16, 2004:

Do You Have the Tools for Change?
Dave Taylor, C.P.M., Jackson

April 20, 2004:

Open Topic, Lansing

May 18, 2004:

Economic Outlook, Steve Cznamecki, Jackson

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