

THE QUOTE

March

2004

NEWS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Those of us that attended the February dinner meeting learned quite a bit of information about Habitat for Humanity. Our scheduled speaker was ill, but Carleen Davis, a licensed contractor that supervises all the projects, did a great fill-in job. She presented many interesting, funny and sometimes sad facts about their program. Did you know donations can go beyond money, building materials and time? There are several "stores" in Michigan that sell things that have been donated by individuals and companies that cannot be used on their sites. If you ever have a re-modeling project, think about sending those old kitchen cabinets to the store in Lansing. Meijer is a frequent donator, sometimes with rather strange items: thousands of "wing" type cork screws or pallets of "Goop"!

I noticed a couple of interesting links on the Members Only section of the ISM website recently. You can now print a replacement membership card instead of having to wait for one to be mailed.

CIPS and ISM have made arrangements for us to have access to the member section of the CIPS website. I hope I am not the only one to say, "What is CIPS?" CIPS stand for The Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply and is an international organization, based in the UK, serving the purchasing and supply profession. Dedicated to promoting best practice, CIPS provides a wide range of services for the benefit of members and the wider business community. Check it out.

We are currently looking for members interested in joining our Board. Election time is right around the corner. If interested, please contact any Board member. It really doesn't take that much time. We meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month for about 2 hours max, which includes a tasty dinner. Most companies that are supportive of your membership will allow for some work time to be spent on NAPM business.

Please be sure to mark your calendar for the next dinner meeting on the 16th. Our own Dave Taylor is the presenter. He has a wealth of knowledge about purchasing to share. I don't think I have ever met anyone as dedicated as Dave to our profession.

Jackie Clair, C.P.M.
President

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS:

Mr. Dennis Sullivan
Senior Buyer
John Henry Co.

Ms. Elizabeth French
Supply Chain Management Trainee
Parker Hannifin

LUGNUTS GAME

The annual Lugnuts baseball outing will be June 29, 2004 on the center field deck. The cost is \$20 for a fun filled evening including dinner and the game. Reserve your tickets early.

MARCH DINNER MEETING

Topic: "Are You Ready? Do You Have the Tools That You Need?"

Speaker: David K. Taylor, Parma Tube and Secretary of NAPM-CM

Date: March 16, 2004

Location: Bullinger's
Jackson, MI

Time: Social Time 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.
Presentation: 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Cost: \$20.00 Members and Guests
15.00 Student Members and Retirees

To attend the March meeting, please contact:

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SATELLITE SEMINAR REMINDER

Thursday, April 1, 2004

Controlling Costs by Controlling Your Inventory

Thursday, June 10, 2004

Improving Your Role with Effective Project Management

UPCOMING DATES & TOPICS

March 16, 2004:

“Do You Have the Tools for Change?”

Dave Taylor, C.P.M.

Location: Jackson

April 20, 2004:

“Nobody Goes Into Law Enforcement to Do Paperwork”

Jim DeLine, Budget Control Supervisor of the Lansing
Police Department

Location: Lansing

May 18, 2004:

“Economic Outlook”

Steve Cznamecki

Location: Jackson

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