

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 NEWSLETTER

I want to first thank those members that responded to my request to get involved with our Chapter. I did get some feedback and want to encourage more participation. Now is the time we must come together in order to survive.

I want to especially thank Adam Koenigsknecht for volunteering his services and have appointed him to the Board. Adam will be the Director of Communications. Please make a mental note that when Adam calls or emails you respond to his effort to contact you as your input is important.

Membership Currently we have 139 members grouped by category; regular, faculty, student, life, associate and honorary. Our future lies with increasing the number of the regular membership, which stands at 55. So if you are aware of someone that may be interested in becoming a member of ISM, submit their name to a board member and we can get the membership started.

Web-Site Over the next few months we will be working on the design and content of the web-site. We need your input. The current web-site is easy to navigate and may only need more useful content. What can we add to make you more efficient? A member mentioned that benchmarking would be of interest to him. I personally am having difficulty with ocean freight brokers. How about education, business trends, group forums, certification information? Please let us know.

Fundraiser There were no suggestions on what could be done to continue the support of student scholarships or local charities.

There will not be a Professional Development Meeting this month. Mike is working on the programs for this coming season and will be providing a list of speakers and topics.

We are still in need of a coordinator to assist with the satellite seminars. At this time three Satellite seminars are to be scheduled for the upcoming season. The first scheduled seminar is October so we would like to have someone

step forward to continue this successful program. The seminars are held at the MSU Administrative Services Building located at 88 Service Drive. Please contact Boyd Shumaker at 517.353.3121 ext 238 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.

The next Board meeting will be on September 1st. We welcome any member to join us.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Student Member:

Brant D. Hoisington, Dimondale, MI

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