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2009

March Membership Meeting

LINK BELT PLANT TOUR

Date: Thursday, April 16, 2009

Location: 2651 Palumbo Drive
Lexington, KY

Fee for dinner: \$12.00

R.S.V.P. by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2009

With your reservation to Carol Harman

E-MAIL: cltbo@yahoo.com

All reservations must be made no later than Tuesday April 14.

Dinner: Panera boxed dinner-cost \$12.00.
Drinks can be purchased at the Link Belt cafeteria.

Agenda:

5:30 – 6:00 pm Registration Networking

6:00 – 6:30 pm Dinner

6:30 – 8:15 pm Tour

8:15 – NAPM-CK Board Meeting

Directions: Link Belt is located at 2651 Palumbo Drive and can be reached from either New Circle Road or Man-O-War Blvd. Guests will be required to enter through the North gate and proceed directly to the downstairs training room (route will be marked). * Signs will be posted from the guard house to the meeting room.



ABOUT OUR HOST FACILITY: Link-Belt Construction Equipment Company is a leader in the design, manufacture and sales of telescopic and lattice boom cranes, Link-Belt has seen many transformations company-wide through expansion and continuous improvement programs. Lean Sigma methodology has been used to establish value stream and standard work via kaizen in production areas.

Safety: No cameras will be allowed on the property. Safety glasses with side shields are required; these will be available if guests do not bring their own.



From the President's desk:

February has come and gone. We had another successful joint meeting. Steve Gran presented a good program and the APICS, ASQ, and NAPM-CK members enjoyed it. The Ramada did a nice job for us once again. If you missed the meeting, try to come to one of the upcoming events.

We do not have a March meeting planned but have two opportunities in April. On April 16th, there will be a plant tour at Link-Belt. The number of participants may be limited so sign up early. We are hosting this in conjunction with APICS. Then on April 23rd, there is a Satellite Seminar being held at East Kentucky Power in Winchester. The topic is "Preparing to negotiate on-shore and off-shore". This is always a good topic whether you are new or experienced in purchasing. May meeting is being planned and we are working on a good event. Watch the website and newsletter for more on these events.

As a reminder, March is when we accept nominations for the Board of Directors. We need more members so please consider this opportunity to serve. Having a full board is very important to having a good association. We are here to serve you, the members, so your help is needed. This election is crucial to the future of our association. You can contact any board member to volunteer or learn more about the board. Voting on the board takes place in April.

We look forward to seeing you at one of the April events. Make sure you take the opportunity to attend one of these.

Sincerely,
Tim Maher
2008-2009 President & CEO

PURCHASING POSITION REFERRALS

If you are one of our members and are looking for a purchasing position, you may want to check ISM Web page at www.ism.ws/CareerCenter/MembersOnly/JobSeekers.cfm for listings and to post a resume or give **Barbara Warburton** a shout as she tries to keep abreast of openings in the area.

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Newsletter Info

The Editor should receive all communications and announcements for the May 2009 newsletter by April 28, 2009 send all correspondence to:

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C.P.M. / C.P.S.M. News

Congratulation on re-certifying C.P.M.

Michael Alfred – Lexington, Ky

**Congratulations on re-certifying to a
Lifetime C.P.M. & A.P.P.**

Rita Armbruster – Lexmark

Welcome New Members

Michael Agyeman - Parker Seal

Christiane Daly - Ralcorp Frozen Bakery



Hello,

ISM continues to receive requests from individuals for additional time to complete the C.P.M. examination process. Due to the continued interest, ISM has extended the C.P.M. exam registration deadline.

C.P.M. exam registrations will be accepted through September 30, 2009. For those registering to take a specific C.P.M. exam for the first time, there are no exceptions to this deadline.

The only exception to the September 30, 2009 C.P.M. exam registration deadline: If an exam candidate fails a C.P.M. exam in 2009, he/she will be allowed to **RETAKE THE EXAM MODULE FAILED.**

All C.P.M. examinations must be completed by December 31, 2009. No exceptions.

There are no refunds for C.P.M. exam registrations made in 2009.

ISM strongly recommends candidates **schedule exam dates as soon as possible to avoid scheduling conflicts** at the testing centers, and to allow time to retake an exam module they failed if needed. **ISM cannot guarantee a space at testing centers.**

If you have any further questions regarding the C.P.M. program, please contact Kara in ISM Customer Service at 800/888-6276, extension 3072, or kbuckley@ism.ws.

Best regards,

Jan Miller

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The NAPM-Central Kentucky nominating committee announces the following nominees for 2009-2010

President: Robert Sherman
Finance/CFO: Tim Maher
VP Affiliate Support: Ellen Hollon
Director: Carol Harmon
Director: John Thompson
Director: Barbara Warburton
Director: Gary Witt

If you are interesting in becoming an officer of NAPM-CK please contact Tim Maher, tmaher@linkbelt.com, 859-263-0266



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- Pass all three CPSM® Exams, OR, if you are a C.P.M. in good standing, pass the Bridge Exam (a single exam covering content not included in the current C.P.M.)

Dates: Four consecutive weeks beginning Saturday, April 18th and concluding May 9th, 2009

The seminar will be held from 8:00 am until noon in Meeting Room 106 of the Student Union on the Northern Kentucky University campus. The campus is conveniently located just south of the junction of I-471 and I-275 in Highland Heights Kentucky eight miles south of downtown Cincinnati.

Registration Fee: \$695 for NAPM-Cincinnati members and \$895 for non-members which includes:

- Participant Manual and Workbook
- CPSM Study Guide (three volumes)
- Professional Series book, Volume 1 Fundamentals of Supply Management
- Professional Series Book, Volume 2 Effective Supply Management Performance
- Professional Series Book, Volume 3 Leadership in Supply Management
- ISM Glossary
- Exclusive access to the NAPM-Cincinnati library of CPSM recommended supplemented reading materials

The CPSM Review Seminar will provide you with an understanding of the CPSM program, and the breadth of content covered in each of the three CPSM exams with the benefit of being able to apply many best practices immediately in the participant's own organization.

For current C.P.M. s the material required for the Bridge Exam will be covered and highlighted during the seminar allowing them to assess the knowledge they have acquired through education and experience against the content areas of the Bridge Exam.

CPSM Review Seminar presented by NAPM-Cincinnati

The seminar will be facilitated by Don Johnson, CPSM, C.P.M., CPIM

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For additional information about the CPSM visit www.ism.us and click on Professional Credentials.

ISM Continuing Education Hours (CEHs): Participants successfully completing this seminar will be eligible for 12 CEHs. ISM's consent to award continuing education hours is not an endorsement of this program or its contents.

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Calendar of Events

Plant Tour – Link Belt Construction
When: April 16, 2009
Where: Lexington, Ky.

Satellite Seminar **FREE**
“Preparing to Negotiate On-Shore and Offshore”
When: April 23, 2009
Where: East Ky Power, Winchester, Ky.

Outing with ASQ – Legends game.
When: May 14
Where: Budweiser Stable at Applebee Park
Cost: \$20 per person, includes dinner.

General Membership & Installation of Officers
When: May 21, 2009
Where: TBA

Annual Buyer – Seller Golf Outing
When: August 18, 2009
Where: Golf Club of the Bluegrass

**ISM's toll free telephone number is:
1-800-888-6276**

Give our website a look <http://www.napm-ck.org/> , see current and past newsletters.

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