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DECEMBER 2008

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Events at a Glance

DECEMBER 2008

**12/16/08 NAPM- Monthly Meeting
TOWN CLUB**
800 N. Shoreline
5:15 Board Meeting
6:00 Social/ Networking
6:30 Opportunity Dinner Meeting
Sponsor: Mathison Tri-Gas
Cost: \$15.00/ person; 1 guest free

JANUARY 2009

**1/20/09 NAPM- Monthly Meeting
TOWN CLUB**
800 N. Shoreline
5:15 Board Meeting
6:15 Social/ Networking
6:45 Opportunity Dinner Meeting
Speaker: Marianne McGee, OSHA
Sponsor:
Cost: \$15.00/ person

FEBRUARY 2009

**2/17/09 NAPM- Monthly Meeting
TOWN CLUB**
800 N. Shoreline
5:15 Board Meeting
6:15 Social/ Networking
6:45 Opportunity Dinner Meeting
Speaker: Dr. Prezas, Texas A&M
Sponsor:
Cost: \$15.00/ person

MARCH 2009

**3/17/09 NAPM- Monthly Meeting
TOWN CLUB**
800 N. Shoreline
5:15 Board Meeting
6:15 Social/ Networking
6:45 Opportunity Dinner Meeting
Cost: \$15.00/ person

~ President's Message ~

Well the Holiday Season is upon us and I would like to extend a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each and every one of you. May God bless each of you in your job and your family life.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting on Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at the Corpus Christi Town Club.

We will have the Corpus Christi Food Bank at the meeting and will be giving them a small token of thanks for their wonderful service.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
Elaine Colwell, President

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2008:

1. The fundraising committee will send the golf tournament survey out to our membership again to obtain volunteers. Alternative golf courses will be reviewed and considered before making final decision on venue.
2. The fundraising committee recommends holding the Purchasing Showcase in the Fall of 2009. The goal is to have a minimum of twenty tables staffed with purchasing personnel. Motion made to proceed with planning.
3. The board voted to approve new member Gladys Kieschnick with Renfrow & Company, Inc.
4. The board voted to hold our Christmas dinner party on 12/16/08. Members can bring one guest free of charge and we will be donating \$250 to the Food Bank of Corpus Christi on behalf of NAPM-CC.
5. The board voted to invoice those members who RSVP to dinner meetings and do not attend. This is a result of the high number of meals being paid for by the association due to no-shows.

Copies of the minutes are available on request by contacting Kathy Cox at 878-0493 or kcox@wbhq.com.

The Public Relations Committee of the NAPM Corpus Christi publishes The Buyline ten times a year. This newsletter is provided to all Association members. All comments, inquiries, and suggestions are welcome; send to Jenny Remlinger at jremlinger@wbhq.com.

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DECEMBER DINNER MEETING December 16, 2008

December's Monthly meeting will be our Christmas Party. You and a guest are invited to join us this month for some holiday cheer and networking with other NAPM professionals. Your guest can attend free of charge! We will not have a speaker this month so that we may all focus on getting to know each other better.

Thank you to all who have attended our meetings in 2008. Please continue to spread the word about our monthly opportunity dinner meetings to other purchasing professionals!

Place: Corpus Christi Town Club, 800 N. Shoreline Blvd 6th floor.

Time: 6:00 to 6:30 Social/ Networking
6:30 to 8:00 Dinner

Cost: \$15 for members; One guest per member is free of charge. If your birthday is in December your dinner is free!

Dinner Menu: Town Club House Salad- Mixed Greens with Carrots, Cherry Tomatoes, Cucumbers with Balsamic Vinaigrette, Beef Roulade and Town Club Pecan Ball- Vanilla Bean Ice cream rolled in Pecans topped with Carmel Sauce and Whipped Cream.

Remember, bring a new prospective member to the monthly Opportunity Dinner meeting and his/her dinner is free. The only requirement is that the prospective member must meet the requirements for NAPM membership and has not attended a previous dinner meeting.

Questions? Contact Carolyn Koski @ Carolyn.koski@tamucc.edu or 825-3434.

Welcome New Member!!

We would like to welcome Gladys Kieschnick, Renfrow & Company, Inc. to our association!



Gladys Kieschnick, Renfrow & Company, Inc and Kathy Cox, Whataburger

Happy Birthday
DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!



Sheila Lipstreu

December 18

Remember, birthday celebrants, **YOUR MEAL IS FREE** this month, so be sure to attend the December meeting!



JOB LINE

- Lead Senior Buyer, CCISD. Bachelor Degree plus 4 years procurement experience required. <https://jobs.ccisd.us>
- Navy Purchasing and Supply Specialist. www.careerbuilder.com
- Supplier Scheduler Expediter, Sterling Personnel, Inc. www.sterlingpersonnelinc.com

Following are links to the Southwest Supply Chain Forum's "Job Watch", the ISM's "Career Center", and the *Corpus Christi Caller Times'* Jobs Section to assist those of our members looking for new procurement opportunities.

- <http://www.ismswscf.org/jobs.htm>
- <http://www.ism.ws/CareerCenter/SearchJob.cfm>
- <http://www.caller2.com/careers/>
- <http://www.monster.com>
- <http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/>

Questions? Contact Sheila Lipstreu @ jlipstreu@stx.rr.com or (361) 949-2072.

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A BIG Thank You to our past Sponsors!

August: United Rentals,
Sam Orta, 851-0870

September: Air & Filters,
Sandra Taylor, 723-0130

October: Summus Industries,
Rodney Craig, 281-340-2033

November: Lamar Realty,
Lamar Lawson, 956-330-3525

Do you know of a company that would like exposure to our Purchasing Association? Contact Luis Martinez @ lpmj73170@yahoo.com or (361) 585-5978

TREASURER'S REPORT

by CINDY JOHNSON



Current Assets as of 11/30/08

CD	\$ 26,954.57
NavyArmy Share Account	270.14
Kleberg Bank Money Market	2,310.27
Kleberg Bank Checking	5,779.86
Total Current Assets	\$ 35,314.84

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By: Frank Pimentel, Professional Development

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Available ISM Certifications:

- **Certified Purchasing Practitioner or A.P.P. Program**

Those that have Certification can retain their certification and can reaccredit to maintain it provided their A.P.P. Certification does not lapse beyond the grace period. Certification is good for five years. Recertification required to maintain your A.P.P. As of February 2007, applications for new and Original Lifetime A.P.P. accreditations are not accepted.

- **Certified Purchasing Manager or C.P.M. Program**

If your A.P.P. Certification is current, you only need to pass modules 3 & 4. You must have five years of work experience related to Supply Management or a minimum of three years related work experience and at least a bachelor's degree. December 31, 2008 is the last day to register for the C.P.M. Exam. December 31, 2013 is the last day to postmark your C.P.M. original/lifetime application.

- **Certified Professional in Supply Management or CPSM Program**

Criteria for CPSM qualification requires three full-time years of Supply Management experience, a Bachelor's degree from a U.S. recognized accredited institution and passing three Exams:

Exam 1: Foundation of Supply Management; Exam 2: Effective Supply Management Performance; Exam 3: Leadership in Supply Management. Or if you have C.P.M. Certification in good standing, have a Bachelor's degree, and pass the Bridge Exam.

For further details on A.P.P, C.P.M. & CPSM qualifications, affectivity dates, and other FAQ's, go to www.ism.ws/certification/content.

Del Mar College, Department of Business Administration, ISM related Programs:

- **Certification Programs:**

Leadership Development, Small Business Management, Professional Sales; Logistics and Supply Chain Management; Quality Assurance/Control Management.

Certification Programs are two semester, one year courses.

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Associate degree Programs are four semester, two year courses.

- **Marketable Skills:**

Achievement single courses offered: Supply Chain Management and Quality Management.

For further information on noted programs go to www.delmar.edu/catalog/busadmn/develop.

Contact Frank Pimentel at econ.dev@att.net or 361-937-9749 to request topics & for comments

Calling all C.P.M.'s

Bridge exam information to obtain the CPSM:

If you are a Certified Purchasing Manger C.P.M. in good standing and have a four-year degree from a regionally accredited institution, you may be eligible to take the bridge exam of the CPSM.

The Bridge Exam will require the passing of one (1) comprehensive exam encompassing contemporary content not currently tested on the C.P.M. Exam. The Bridge Exam consists of 180 questions (all scored), is 3 hours in length and is available in 2008 through 2014. The exam is given domestically.