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## **Oregon Mid-Valley Purchasing and Supply Management Association, Inc.**

### **SEPTEMBER DINNER MEETING**

September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007 6:00 PM

### **“Importing 101: The Basics”**

**Mark Fiedler, Eagle Logistics**

Brices' Restaurant

2560 19<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Salem, OR

Join us for a great educational opportunity with an expert in logistics!!

***Guests are welcome!***



## ***OMV President's Message***

Greetings to all Oregon Mid-Valley Purchasing & Supply Management Association members!!! I do hope your summer has been most enjoyable!

As we look forward to our first educational dinner meeting of the new meeting year, I would like each of you to know that your OMV Board has been very busy the last few months identifying top rated speakers and excellent educational programs to assist our members in enhancing your personal professional knowledge and skills through the continuous learning educational programs we provide through our association. Our Education Officer, Steve Ness, A.P.P., and the rest of the OMV Board have pretty well firmed up our nine dinner meeting programs for the next meeting year as well as are in the process of confirming a Spring Seminar for next March. *Please read the current education program schedule elsewhere in this newsletter.*

OMV is continuing to offer classes on how to prepare for taking the tests for those members interested in attaining their C.P.M. certification before the expiration of the current certification program. ISM's new Supply Management certification (CPSM) will require all recipients to have a four-year degree. So if you are a member who does not have a four-year degree, but still would like to be professionally certified, you will soon be running out of time to get your C.P.M. certification. *Please see the certification class schedule and registration form elsewhere in this newsletter.*

Also, mark your calendars for attending the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference which will be held in Boise, Idaho on November 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>. I urge you to not miss this opportunity to listen to some excellent keynote speakers, choose from many educational workshops, and network with other Northwest Region purchasing and supply management professionals. *Please see the details on this conference elsewhere in this newsletter.*

We still need volunteers to help with the leadership of our organization. If you have interest, please contact any of our Board Members.

The OMV Board encourages our members to provide any suggestions you may have on how our association can better provide for your educational needs. Please advise any Board Member if you have any thoughts which might improve our organization, as we are constantly looking for ways to improve this association to better serve your personal professional education needs.

I always like to remind our members that Oregon Mid-Valley Purchasing & Supply Management Association was originally formed 26 years ago and exists today to continue to support **"YOUR"** personal educational and professional growth. The question which only you can answer, is.....*"Are **YOU** taking full advantage of this opportunity?"*

*Sid Brown, C.P.M., A.P.P.*  
OMV President

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## ***64th Annual Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference\****

*NAPM –Idaho Southwest  
and  
ISM-Idaho*

*November 1-3, 2007  
Boise Idaho*

NAPM-Idaho Southwest (Treasure Valley) and ISM Idaho (Pocatello) will host the 64th Annual Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference, a regional conference of supply management professionals from the states of Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

The Conference, will be held November 1st through November 3rd at Boise State University in the Student Union Building. The Conference will bring together buyers, purchasing agents, purchasing managers, supply management executives, engineers, educators and business owners.

Included in the Conference will be four (4) certified technical 4 hour sessions including: Negotiations, Legal, Project Management and Resources - Web Safari. In addition eight (8) one hour general sessions will be offered. Approximately 35 suppliers will participate as exhibitors in a trade show all day Friday.

Included in the Conference registration is a Kick-off reception Thursday evening, four (4) certified Workshops and eight (8) certified technical sessions on Friday and Saturday morning. Breakfast, lunch, and a banquet are included on Friday as are breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

The Friday luncheon, 12pm -1:00 pm, will feature Norbert Ore, C.P.M. Strategic Sourcing Group, Georgia-Pacific LLC. Mr. Ore is the 2007 Shipman Award recipient and is the ISM Manufacturing Business Survey Committee Chair and will be presenting the latest "Business and Economic" forecast for the coming year.

Conference Workshops will be conducted by:

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| - Negotiations                      | Dr. Ross Reck    |
| - Legal Considerations in Contracts | Barb Johnson     |
| - Project Management                | Terry Northcraft |
| - Resources for Purchasing          | Michael Taylor   |

Check the NAPM-Idaho Southwest website for updates and registration information:

**[www.napm-isw.org](http://www.napm-isw.org)**

*Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference is a registered trade name of NPEC*

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## **UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL DINNER MEETINGS**

Your Board Members have worked hard to develop a schedule full of valuable educational opportunities for Professional Development. Hope to see you there!

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>PROGRAM TITLE</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
9/11/2007	6:00pm	Importing 101 The Basics	Mark Fiedler- Eagle Logistics	Brice's
10/9/2007	6:00pm	Emerging Trends in Supply Mgt.	Dr.Lee Buddress - PSU	Brice's
11/13/2007	6:00pm	Plant Tour Trans Ocean	De Ann Baker	Trans Ocean
12/11/2007	6:00pm	7 Best Practices in Purchasing	Aaron Howell -OSU	Brice's
1/8/2008	6:00pm	Economic forecast for 2008		Brice's
2/12/2008	6:00pm	Global Logistics	Ron Williams	Brice's
3/11/2008	6:00pm	Purchasing Law seminar		

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## **CERTIFICATION CLASSES**

Summer '07 is coming to a close and so is the C.P.M. certification. Maybe not as fast as summer is nearing an end but we are in our last full year of offering C.P.M. review classes. For those who have not started pursuing their C.P.M. certification or who have not completed their pursuit, this is your year. Why we say this is because of a couple of key dates. One, December 31<sup>st</sup> of 2008 is the last day you can register with ISM to take any of the four exam modules. Second, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 is the last day the C.P.M. exam is available at a regional testing center.

What is the difference and what date should one focus on? Focus on December 2008 because registering for any of the four exams with ISM does not mean you have to schedule one right away. You have up to one year to contact Prometric Testing Center to schedule and exam after you register with ISM. So if you do not register by the last day of 2008 you will have ended the pursuit of your C.P.M.

Each newsletter this year we will provide more information about how to pursue the C.P.M. on your own and to also make resources within the organization available to you. Here is a brief overview of the C.P.M. Review Module Class offerings this year:

Module One – Mid October to mid November 2007

Module Two – February 2008

Module Three – Two offerings, this mid September beginning on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, and again in April 2008

Module Four - Two offerings, January 2008, and again in June 2008

The primary study material will again be the C.P.M. Study Guide, 7<sup>th</sup> edition. Registration notification for upcoming Module Three has already gone out to the membership. If you have a sincere interest in pursuing your C.P.M. over the next 12 to 18 months please contact Ed Taylor at [etaylor04@msn.com](mailto:etaylor04@msn.com) and he can answer any questions you may have and provide some structure to your pursuit. If you are thinking about obtaining the C.P.M. it is a commitment. The commitment lies with keeping on a reading schedule at an average 90 minutes to two hours a week. Resources are available through our organization and ISM to help you with the rest of your preparation.

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