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**Have you considered volunteering on a committee?**

Contact Shirley Seigle at

[SecondVP@ismscupstate.org](mailto:SecondVP@ismscupstate.org). Assistance

is needed in several areas. Thank you in

advance for any help you can offer.

## *Message From Our President December 19, 2005*

*"Christmas--that magic blanket that wraps itself about us, that something so intangible that it is like a fragrance. It may weave a spell of nostalgia. Christmas may be a day of feasting, or of prayer, but always it will be a day of remembrance--a day in which we think of everything we have ever loved."*

Augusta E. Rundel

Hello Members,

I hope you've all enjoyed the 2005 speakers and gained a few "take aways" to help you in your procurement positions. Be safe through the next few weeks and we look forward to seeing everyone in February 2006!

### *Member Meetings*

Don't forget to register in advance. This gives you a little discount, plus the BOD a handle on head-count for the meal, etc. Register online at [www.ismscupstate.org](http://www.ismscupstate.org)

### *Technical Services*

Feedback regarding our website is welcomed – contact David Hendrix.

### *Speakers*

Jan – No meeting / No speaker

Feb – Networking Session w/Panel for discussions regarding Procurement dilemmas (be prepared to share solutions).

### *February 2006 Seminar*

TBA – Due to unforeseen circumstances, David Alewine will not be presenting our Feb seminar as previously announced. Details are currently being worked out and will be announced as soon as we have them.

Discounts for pre-registering for Feb 2006 seminar are as follows: Register by 9-Jan-06, cost = \$89. After 9-Jan, full cost of the seminar = \$99. Pay pal preferred; however checks are fine (must be received prior to dead-line dates). A great value for 7 CU's and minimal travel! [www.ismscupstate.org](http://www.ismscupstate.org)

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**Any suggestions or comments are welcomed.** Send them to: [President@ismscupstate.org](mailto:President@ismscupstate.org). They will be discussed at the Board of Directors Meeting and you will receive a reply. Messages will be held confidential if requested.

*March 2006 Supplier Night*

We're asking anyone at there who might like to pitch in and help us with this important task, step up to the plate and VOLUNTEER – contact Valerie Stark at [firstvp@ismscupstate.org](mailto:firstvp@ismscupstate.org)

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Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen Welsh  
President 2005-2006