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Have you considered volunteering on a committee?

Contact Shirley Seigle at SecondVP@ismscupstate.org. Assistance is needed in several areas. Thank you in advance for any help you can offer.

Message From Our President

Sept. 29, 2005

"The world is moving so fast these days that the one who says it can't be done is generally interrupted by someone doing it."

Harry Emerson Fosdick

Well, my goal was to have the September newsletter submitted earlier than the last day of the month – did I make it?

The BOD would like to thank Linda (Jennings) Parker for her leadership as "Past President" for the 2004-2005 season. She sits on the BOD as an advisor and we are all grateful for her assistance and wisdom! Linda was presented with a small token of our appreciation at the September kick off meeting.

Technical Services

Due to the sensitive nature of job opportunities and job postings received via ISM-CV, our members no longer "automatically" receive these updates. This was a practice in the past that has caused some issues and has been stopped. If you would like to be added to the global mailing list requesting them, please contact David Hendricks @ (864) 236-0436 ext 230 or Employment@ismscupstate.org.

Member Meetings

I hope those who attended the ISM Fall Quarterly Conference enjoyed themselves and went away feeling like you accomplished one of your goals this year.

During the last BOD meeting, we discussed objectives for the current 2005-2006 season. Increasing meeting attendance/membership was by far our biggest hurdle. All BOD members are striving to invite at least one new guest (procurement related) to one of the meetings this year. Of course, our members are encouraged to do the same. Don't forget, first time guest only pay \$10. Now that's a nice "deal"!

Speakers

Your BOD urges everyone to come out to the 6-Oct member meeting featuring Carol Marks. She'll be discussing "Strategic Planning for the Supply Chain". We need your attendance and support in order to continue to provide programs and informative topics/speakers so the

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Any suggestions or comments are welcomed. Send them to: 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.

upstate members have the opportunity to earn their continuing education points locally. Side note: For the first (kick off meeting) our chapter took a financial "loss" due to lack of attendance and commitments made with Marriott. Please help us turn that around.

February 2006 Seminar

We are pleased to announce discounts for pre-registering for our chapter's seminar to be held in February 2006. If you register by 5-Dec-2005, cost is only \$79, and by 9-Jan-06, cost is \$89. After 9-Jan, the full cost of the seminar will be \$99. Pay pal is preferred; however checks are fine as long as they are received prior to the deadline dates. A great value for 7 CU's and minimal travel!

March 2006 Supplier Night

Members, it's not too early to start thinking about March 2006 and "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. If just a handful would help, everyone's workload would be minimized and all would benefit. Please consider it. Also, start thinking about any of your suppliers that you might like to extend an invite to. As in the past, the list of suppliers will be scrutinized so as to not have the same commodities represented, etc.

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Respectfully submitted,
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