

October 2017

ISM-Alaska

Calendar of Events 2017-2018

<u>September 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 Pro-D: Logistics 13 Board Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 2017 5 Facility Tour: KTVA 11 Board Meeting 16-18, 74th Annual Pacific NW Purchasing Conf., Seattle, WA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 2017 9 Pro-D: Seminar Speaker 8-9 Fall Seminar 15 Board Meeting
<u>December 2017</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 Pro-D: Business Communication 13 Board Meeting 	<u>January - 2018</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 Pro-D: Global Supply Chain Security & Mgmt. 17 Board Meeting 	<u>February 2018</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Pro-D: AK Economic Review 7 Board Meeting
<u>March 2018</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Pro-D: Seminar Speaker BOD Nominations Certifications & New Member Night 1-2 Spring Seminar- TBD 7 Board Meeting 	<u>April 2018</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 Pro-D: Supply Chain Management of Remote Fisheries Annual Membership Meeting BOD Elections 11 Board Meeting 	<u>May 2018</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Pro-D: TBD Install Officers Volunteer Recognition 16 Board Meeting ISM National Conference May 6-9, Nashville, TN
<u>June 2018</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer Recess Annual Planning Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 2018 Summer Recess 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> August 2018 Summer Recess 2 - Board Meeting NIGP National Conference
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**Director of Education Report
Jared Rennie**

Fall is in the air and with the changing of the seasons I wanted to remind everyone to update your calendars for another year of supply chain management events related to Professional Development, Networking, and Training. Your Affiliate leaders are working hard and coordinating with industry professionals to provide another year of education and networking.

Our Affiliate year is underway and I would like to thank Thomas Flanagan for sharing his topic *The Value of Awareness* at our September Pro-D meeting. I'm also very excited to share the details of our October Pro-D - a tour of the KTVA Studios during the evening newscast (continue reading on for more information). On a final note, please be sure to look over the Fall Seminar Training flyer that is included in the newsletter this month. The topic of *Managing Suppliers and Contractors* is an critical cornerstone of sourcing and if you remember back to our March 2017 Pro-D, one of the Top 10 things you can do to ensure your organizations maximize the value of each contract *after* your agreement is signed.

As always, we welcome your feedback and it would be great to see and hear from each of you during this affiliate year. This is your affiliate and with your help we can make it even better. Please take a moment to look over our calendar of events which you can find published and updated on our Website, follow our LinkedIn, or be sure to keep up-to-date month-to-month with our Newsletter. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me anytime via email or in person at our meetings.

Jared Rennie
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**October Professional Development Meeting –
Facility Tour: KTVA Studio**

Please join us on Thursday, October 5 at the KTVA Studio for our one and only site visit for the 2017-2018 affiliate year. This is not a public event - so make sure you RSVP me at ismAKtraining@gmail.com to receive the site-specific information in your individual confirmation. This event is for ISM-AK members and will be capped at 20 attendees. The tour will commence at 5:30 PM and attendees will be treated to a behind the scenes tour of KTVA's brand new facility – culminating in a special viewing of the live newscast at 6:00 PM. Afterwards we will wrap-up with pizza and a more focused discussion about the procurement tactics involved with the facility build-out. The cost for this event is only \$15.00 – so sign-up today and please bring cash or check with you to the event.

NW Purchasing Conference is Around the Corner!

The 74th Annual Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference will be held October 16 - 18, 2017 in Seattle, Washington. ISM Western Washington is set to repeat as host of this Pacific Northwest educational tradition and it promises to be a great session. Look for more info included in our newsletter or on our website.

Fall Seminar: Managing Suppliers: Performance Management and Dispute Management

Be sure to circle Wednesday, November 8th and Thursday, November 9th on your calendar and get your training requests approved! *Managing Suppliers and Contractors* will help you get the most out of *each* of your suppliers through *one* performance management course presented by seasoned instructor, Darin Matthews FNIGP, CPPO, CPSM. Please review the flyer included with this newsletter and get your Registration in ASAP!

P#	Office	Term Ends	Candidate
1	Past President (1 yr)	May 2018	Marlys Hagen
2	President (1 yr)	May 2018	Ben Milam
3	Vice President (1 yr)	May 2018	Michelle Girard
4	Secretary (1 yr)	May 2018	Mary Beth Overturf
5	Treasurer (2 yr)	May 2018	Janet Gurrera (2 nd yr)
6	Dir. of Communications (2 yr)	May 2018	Dan Engleby (2 nd yr)
7	Dir of Membership (2 yr)	May 2019	Ward Wells
8	Dir of Education (2 yr)	May 2019	Jared Rennie
9	Director at Large (2 yr)	May 2019	Nicole Fredrick
10	Director at Large (2 yr)	May 2018	Sonja Love-Hestnes (2 nd yr)
11	Director at Large (2 yr)	May 2018	Vacant (vacated by Girard)
12	Director at Large (2 yr)	May 2019	Marina Suslova

Past President’s Report

Marlys Hagen, CPSM, CPPO, C.P.M.

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As a reminder we are still looking for people to fill a couple vacant board positions, Director at Large and Treasurer

If anyone is interested in either of these positions, please contact me. Serving on a board of directors is a great leadership and team building experience that will serve you well in your career advancement. Please consider serving in one of these positions. Either of them can be filled by appointment if we can identify good candidates.

Northwest Purchasing Education Council

The NPEC Board met on September 12, 2017 to discuss conference planning for this year and next year. Plans are well under way for this year’s Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conference in Seattle October 16-18, 2017. See detailed information elsewhere in this newsletter, or go to the [ISM-WW website](#). All the details including registration forms are located there.

Another major topic of discussion was the fact that there is currently no host for the 2018 conference. All affiliates were asked to confirm/re-confirm with their boards whether they would consider hosting. The ISM-Alaska board of directors discussed it at our meeting in August, and decided that due to the current state of the economy, this is probably not the right time for us to host a conference. So far no one has stepped up. There is one more option we are pursuing. More to come on that.

As always, if anyone has any comments/suggestions/concerns/ideas, please let me know.

-Marlys

A Note from Our President

Ben R. Milam, CPPM, C.P.M.

First I want to thank those that came to our Pro-D meeting in September. We had a small but very interactive group. Our Speaker, Tom Flanagan teaches Supply Chain at UAA. His chosen topic on The Value of Awareness led into a good discussion and some great stories about the need for a business continuity plan and later about change and the need to prepare ourselves for change. As part of that discussion he frequently referenced the stars as a means of navigation.

I guess the stars were in perfect alignment that evening and the following day. As I left that night I was listening to talk radio. The first thing I hear was the speaker talking about technology change and its effect on employment. He spoke of going into a store where all of the self-checkout lanes were full while the human checkers were idle. Then he talked of self-driving trucks due on the road in the very new future. He surmised that both cases will diminish the need for checkout clerks and truck drivers. Change happens!

The next morning as I drive to work, the first song I hear on the radio spoke of Time Marches on, everything changes, nothing stays the same. Later near the end of the day I get an email blog, again talking about change. It seems the stars were perfectly aligned to send me a message. How am I as the new president going to affect change that will improve our affiliate?

Clearly membership and meeting attendance are down. Much of that we blame of the economy, but that means many of our friends are looking for new jobs. In our business of supply management, change is a fact of life and continuous learning is an expectation. New computer systems deploy almost daily and drones are already active in the supply chain. It is almost certain that our lives as supply chain managers will undergo continuous change for the foreseeable future. I believe, and hopefully you agree, that part of our mission as ISM-Alaska is to do everything we can to provide the training necessary to keep our members and cohorts competitive in their field. The speakers at our meetings and our seminars give you continuing education hours to document your continuous learning, but maybe there is something we are missing.

The best way for us to fix that is for you to tell us what you need. If you are job hunting, come to a meeting, someone there is probably looking for new employees. If you need something we don't currently offer, please tell us. Maybe we can make the change.

Remember: "Life expectancy would grow by leaps and bounds if green vegetables smelled as good as bacon."
Doug Larson

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

Ben

About our fall seminar Instructor, Darin Matthews, FNIGP, CPPO, CPSM

Darin Matthews is the Director of Procurement for the University of California, Santa Cruz. He has over 25 years of procurement and supply chain experience in a variety of sectors, and formerly served as President for NIGP.



Darin is the author of several books and articles on procurement, including NIGP's Warehousing and Inventory Control and Effective Supply Management Performance published by the Institute for Supply Management. He is also a columnist for Government Procurement magazine and speaks throughout the world on such issues as strategic procurement, sustainable procurement strategies, and global logistics.

He is a business faculty member for Portland State University and California State – San Bernardino, and formerly taught at Florida Atlantic University's Public Procurement Research Center.

Director of Membership

Ward W. Wells, C.P.M. (lifetime), CPPB.

Greetings from Membership

As we look forward to fall, we can expect a great new season with ISM Alaska and the opportunity to meet and greet our procurement partners from all around the state. It is our sincere hope that our contribution to the procurement profession will be felt in every area of Alaska.

We will be conducting our annual facility tour during the month of October. We hope you will plan to join us at our upcoming ISM-Alaska Professional Development meeting on Thursday October 5th 2017 at 5:30 PM., we will be conducting a tour of the KTVA Channel 11 Television facilities in Anchorage.

Your board of directors has been working hard to bring quality training and professional development to our profession in the 49th State, and help us to build our organization and continue to support the Mission and growth of ISM Alaska. Please watch for our lineup of professional speakers and Annual trainings. For those of you who have not recently looked at the ISM website, please take a moment to review your personal membership information to see that it is correct; if changes need to be made you may submit revised information directly to ISM, or contact me at my email listed below.

Please contact me directly if I may assist with any of your ISM membership information needs just Email me a: flatheadward@yahoo.com

Membership in ISM Alaska really does make a difference to Alaska's Procurement Professionals.

Please welcome new student members:

James Oh and Tyler Kirm. Both Tyler and James are full time students at UAA studying Global Logistics and Supply Chain Management .

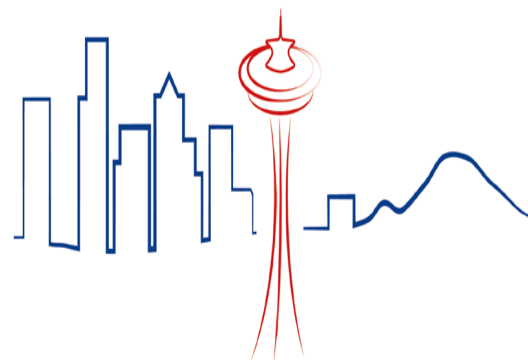
Many Thanks

Ward Wells, CPPB, C.P.M. **(lifetime)**

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