

# ISM Indirect/Services Group

December 2015 Newsletter

WELCOME to ISM INDIRECT 2015!

Thank you for joining us at our 16th Annual Conference for ISM Indirect/Services Group. By collaborating with ISM, we are able to provide an opportunity for everyone to share ideas and learn how to improve their understanding of the complexities of Indirect Spend. We have changed the location and the name of the conference but we have not changed the value you can expect from listening to leaders in our field, as well as gaining knowledge from one of the most important activities...NETWORKING! Each year this conference addresses key expectations and provides opportunities to learn new things and to network with those that face similar challenges. But most importantly, you will gain insight about how to apply what you see and learn, so you will be able to develop and adapt it to your environment.

By supporting this conference you are also helping to support our scholarship program. We created this program as a way to partner with universities that have a strong commitment to Supply Chain curriculum. At this year's conference we are providing scholarships for 15 students representing Arizona State University, Michigan State University, Rutgers University, University of San Diego and Western Michigan University. We are also bringing them to the conference, so be prepared to interact and applaud, these future supply chain professionals.

As the year ends, I want to make sure that everyone looks back at the accomplishments and dedication of ISM as they celebrate the 100 Year anniversary. It is a time to reflect on past successes and be proud of our past, but it is also a time to look forward to what the future holds for our organization.

Since this year's Indirect Conference is being held in Orlando...a location made famous by a mouse...I would like to quote Walt Disney: "We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths." This quote holds true for ISM and each one of us as we take the journey through our personal and professional lives.

Thank you for being a part of the Award winning ISM Indirect/Services Group...we appreciate your support!



Fred Ledbetter, C.P.M.  
Chair, ISM Indirect/Services Group

If you are not a member, and you or your co-workers are interested in Indirect Spend, make sure to take a few minutes and join our Group. There is no charge to join and you can find more information about the ISM Indirect/Services Group by visiting our website at [www.ismindirectservicesgroup.com](http://www.ismindirectservicesgroup.com).

Take care...  
100th Annual International Supply  
Management Conference

Presented at ISM  
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2014 Group/Forum of the Year Award: ISM-Indirect/Services Group

ISM Groups/Forums Excellence Awards recognize those Groups and Forums that demonstrate excellence in their professional operations, educational offerings, recruitment, training and retention efforts, while at the same time communicating the value and prestige of ISM and the supply management profession.

ISM Indirect/Services Group also met the qualifications for the ISM Excellence Award. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> straight year that ISM Indirect/Services Group has achieved this distinction. Both honors are made possible through the dedication and efforts of our leadership team and through the guidance and support of ISM.

## Leadership Team:

### Chair

**Fred Ledbetter, C.P.M.**

### Educational Opportunities

**Jewel Eldridge, C.P.M.**

### Communications/Technology/Marketing

**Jim Haining, CPSM, CPSD, C.P.M.**

### Vice Chair

**Ellen Berry, CPSM, C.P.M.**

### Membership

**J.R. Cannon**

### Finance

**Paul Howard, C.P.M.**

### University Relations

**Marty Bell, C.P.M.**

**Chris Flum, C.P.M.**



Indirect/Services Group

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**Top undergraduate supply management students will be recognized at the 16th Annual ISM Indirect Procurement Conference, December 3-4, 2015.**

Fifteen students representing supply management programs at five universities will receive ISM Indirect/Services Group scholarships:

**Arizona State University**

*Tiffany Lam*

*Gregory Romney*

*Trevor Thompson*

**Michigan State University**

*Anthony Edgecomb*

*Evan Raubacher*

*Carlos Salcedo*

**Rutgers University**

*Diana Harriman*

*Sonali Shah*

*Marchela Stancheva*

**University of San Diego**

*Hadyn Bierwith*

*Mary Ann Lee*

*Sean Matthews*

**Western Michigan University**

*Heather Fabian*

*Justin Giola*

*Emma Stuba*



The ISM Indirect/Services Group's University Relations efforts focus on five main areas: Scholarships — Internships — On-Site Activities — Mentoring — Student Membership

**ISM Indirect/Services Group Annual Meeting**  
**Thursday, December 3rd at 5:00 PM**

