



# Utah Purchasing News

## **NAPM-Utah Annual Christmas Social**

***You are cordially  
invited***

*Please join us December 14<sup>th</sup> at  
6:30p.m. in the University of Utah  
Panorama Room for an evening of  
great food, entertainment and friends.*

Please RSVP to Trent Baker before December 11<sup>th</sup>.  
There is no charge for members of NAPM-Utah.  
You may bring a guest for \$25 which is payable at  
the door.

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## **NAPM-Utah Mission Statement**

NAPM-Utah serves as a center of excellence in the development of world class purchasing and supply management professionals by providing education, certification leadership and networking opportunities for its members.

### **So What's Santa Bringing You This Year?**

Trent N. Baker, C.P.M., A.P.P.

Vice-President

I was trying to think of something that would be on the top of every Buyer's Christmas list this year when I came across this. I'm sure each of you would agree that this would make the perfect gift.

#### ***"Wonder Buyer Hat"***

Special Powers include:

- Ability to buy functional part without ever having seen a blueprint
- Ability to buy correct part regardless of what is specified on the print
- Ability to foresee actual date required, which is usually not the date specified on the requisition.
- Ability to run highly complex parts using hard tooling which is not complete
- Ability to have parts in the plant prior to them having been designed or tooled
- Ability to have clear premonitions of temporary product changes and engineering change orders before Design Engineering and Hard Copy Engineering think of them.

**(Wear only in emergencies)**

## **NAPM-Utah Vision Statement**

The National Association of Purchasing Management-Utah will be recognized as a center of excellence in establishing and promoting best -in-class professional standards of competency, ethics, education and certification for its members. We value and seek diverse membership and there are no barriers to full participation on the association.

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

**Stocking our Tool Box**

In the November edition of *Purchasing Today*, NAPM President Richard Bradshaw, C.P.M. talks about the challenges of today's supply management professionals. The article makes note that employers are expecting purchasing and supply chain managers to increase what they are doing and at the same time reduce costs and shorten delivery, while still maintaining quality. Part of the solution to this dilemma is to look toward tools that can help us, such as technology and the new e-tools in the marketplace.

This scenario is not only true of our profession but also our association. During the period of time that I have been a member of NAPM-UTAH, I have been fortunate to see the association grow. In recent years our membership has grown to over 500 members. With this growth and larger numbers of members, both our expectations and expenses have grown as well.

As I noted at the dinner meeting last month, part of the solution may be to look more towards technology and e-tools. During the past several months, our website, [www.napmutah.org](http://www.napmutah.org) has included more and more information, which we believe is valuable to our membership. The newsletter has been posted on the site along with an on-line RSVP for lunch and dinner meetings. Previous newsletters can also be seen and pictures of recent events were added.

In December, we will notify members of the Christmas social with a postcard but direct you to the website for the complete newsletter. If you are reading this article, you have been successful in this transition. If you have suggestions or comments that you would like to share regarding this topic, please contact me. In conclusion, technology and e-tools are not only the wave of the future of our profession but also our association and we believe the change will be a positive one.

Wishing you a happy holiday season!

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**Welcome**  
**NAPM-UTAH**  
**New Members**

Garrett Brown..... Varian Medican  
Roy Drew..... Fisma Inc.  
Wade Lyons..... Novell  
Val Hicken.....Moore North America  
John E. Lee .....Moore BCS  
Anna Lovato .....Northwest Pipeline Corp.  
Renaee McCure ..... Bonneville Industrial Supply  
Kelly Munns ..... Wencor West  
Betty Olander.....Medtronic F.D. Zinetics, Inc.  
Jeff Parkinson ..... Twinlab Utah  
James Smart..... Dynatec Intl.  
Tracey Tolman..... Autoliv  
Royce Veater ..... Intermountain Health Care  
Deborah Watson ..... Brush Wellman