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*ISM-CF's Mission and Vision statement is "To promote and maintain excellence among purchasing/supply management professionals through continued leadership in the areas of Ethics, Professionalism, Education, Networking, Community, and Involvement."*

## Upcoming Events at a Glance

**Wednesday, January 8** – Professional Development and Networking Event:  
"Sarbanes-Oxley: What You Need to Know", Speaker: Michelle D. Scott from SeaWorld  
Parks & Entertainment, Inc., Networking starts at 5:30 p.m., Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**New Location:** Tony Roma's, 8560 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819

**Saturday, January 18** – CPSM/CSM Review Training for Exam 2

**Saturday, March 15** – CPSM/CSM Review Training for Exam 3

**To Register:** Visit [www.ism-cf.org](http://www.ism-cf.org)

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## The President's Corner



### Another New Year Begins....

Dear Members,

"Your success and happiness lies in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties." -*Helen Keller*

As we come to a close on 2013, I'd like to take a moment to reflect.

2013 had many challenges: job challenges, personal challenges, economic struggles, the loss of loved ones. Yet, we somehow figure a way to move on and overcome. How do we do that? Is it simply inner strength or something more? I think it's both. In the opening quote above, Helen Keller said: 'Your success and happiness lies in you.' I agree, but we can't do it alone. We have support from our beliefs, our families and our network. And hopefully, you see ISM Central Florida as part of that network that helps you through the struggles, as well as celebrates the successes.

As we move into 2014, there will be excitement and uncertainty. 'Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties'. To do that, you will need to be deliberate about what you do. Ask yourself: 'What is it that will make 2014 great?' – then set forth a plan to make it happen. If it's professional growth, attend the monthly meetings and the networking events. Use the talent that lies within ISM Central Florida to help achieve a great 2014.

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We had an awesome turnout at the November meeting at Darden. Members, non-members, and students had the opportunity to get to know each other and make connections. We have the opportunity to keep the momentum going in 2014 with new venues and great speakers. But, we can't have a successful 2014 without our members.

Read much more below about what has been going on within ISM-CF and what is still to come. We look forward to more participation as we move into 2014.

I wish everyone a very safe holiday season and here's to a Happy New Year!

Cheers,

*Traci L Nichols*, C.P.M.

President

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**New Location:** Tony Roma's, 8560 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819

### **“Sarbanes-Oxley-What You Need to Know”**

**Speaker:** Michelle D. Scott



Michelle Scott is the Corporate Compliance Manager for SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment, Inc. in Orlando, Florida. Michelle leads a team in executing internal control solutions, enforcing company policies, ensuring compliance with key financial regulations, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (“SOX”) and assisting leadership in managing entity-wide risk.

Michelle is also President of MDS Auditing and Consulting Services, LLC which provides course content for internal auditing seminars. As President, Michelle teaches internal auditing seminars for audit leaders and consults on course development.

Previously, Michelle was the Director of Research and Development for The Institute of Internal Auditors (“The IIA”) Research Foundation in Altamonte Springs, Florida. In her role within the Research Foundation, a 501c3, she led large-scale internal audit research projects, including the 2010 Common Body of Knowledge study (“CBOK”) and led the foundation’s fundraising activities, which included oversight of a one million dollar budget. She also wrote and published research reports on emerging issues for practicing internal audit professionals around the world.

Michelle began her auditing career in Arthur Andersen’s business process risk consulting practice which later became Protiviti, Inc. She spent seven years collectively with both firms helping multi-billion dollar, international organizations manage business and financial risks as well as assisting in their compliance efforts with rigorous legislation including SOX and other industry specific regulations.

Michelle is a graduate of Saint Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania where she received her B.S. in Accounting and she obtained an MBA in the Executive Program at the University of Florida.

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**Register Now at [www.ism-cf.org](http://www.ism-cf.org)**

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## Certification Exam Review

To help you successfully pass the certification exams, ISM-CF is providing review classes for Certified Professional Supply Manager (CPSM) certification exams.

The next CPSM Exam Reviews will be held on the following dates:

<b>01/18/14</b>	<b>Exam 2</b>	<b>CPSM/CSM Review</b>
<b>03/15/14</b>	<b>Exam 3</b>	<b>CPSM/CSM Review</b>



Ed Wainwright, C.P.M., APP will be instructing the classes using the ISM training materials. Ed taught ISM-CF's C.P.M. review classes from 1985 until 2006. In 2011, he attended the ISM Trainer Course and has taught numerous CPSM Review classes since. The classes provide excellent knowledge and resources to attendees.

The reviews will be held at the OUC Gardenia Facility training room located at 3800 Gardenia Ave, Orlando, FL 32839, from 8:00am to 5:00pm. The cost per review is \$50.00 for ISM-CF members, \$75 for other ISM members and \$100.00 for non-members.

Individuals taking the classes should purchase the CPSM Study Guide and the CPSM Diagnostic Exam. The materials used during the review classes are also an excellent guide for individual study after the class.

Registration is available at [www.ism-cf.org](http://www.ism-cf.org). If you have any questions, please contact Ed Wainwright at (407) 348-2489 or [ed\\_wainwright@hotmail.com](mailto:ed_wainwright@hotmail.com).

**Stay tuned for future dates.**

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## Membership Renewal

Thank you for being a valued member. We appreciate your dedication to the ISM-CF Affiliate and look forward to your continued support. By now, you should have received your membership renewal notice. If you do not receive your renewal notice, please contact your membership director, Louemma Cromity at [lcromity@ouc.com](mailto:lcromity@ouc.com) for assistance. Also, we would like to remind you to that it is very important for you keep your contact information up to date to ensure you receive all notices and opportunities.

By continuing your membership, ISM provides you the opportunity to obtain business contacts, network with industry leaders, educational growth, and to establish connections with the best in class purchasing organizations within public and private entities.

We are wishing you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Did you know...

ISM has a new Podcast Channel. The channel has an ever-expanding library of audio podcasts covering a broad spectrum of supply management and general business topics — from the basic to advanced. Download and listen while you work, during your commute or even in your down time. Go to [ism.ws](http://ism.ws), click on the Education & Training tab and select Online Education.



## Member Spotlight

In each newsletter, we “spotlight” a member. Our spotlight now shines on **Althea Pemsel**. We are excited to have Althea as a member. Enjoy and hopefully you will learn something new about Althea.

**Name:** Althea Pemsel

**Place of employment and title, and/or past employment/experiences:**

City of Winter Park, Purchasing Manager, Procurement Officer, General Services Director. Projects range from real estate developments to water and wastewater upgrade and retrofits as well as professional services for engineering and construction of fire stations and other public safety projects.

**Certifications:** C.P.M., A.P.P.

**Education:** PH.D., MA

**Activity in Organizations/ISM:**

Secretary Southeast Florida COOP, Diversity National Committee, Previous 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

**Hobbies/Interests:** Travel, Davidic Dance

**Tell us something about yourself that no one else may know about you:**

I like and am very good at boxing.

### Seeking Spotlight Candidates

*If you know of someone that would be a good “spotlight” candidate, please have them answer the following questions and email it to [Teddi444@earthlink.net](mailto:Teddi444@earthlink.net). The “spotlight” candidate can be YOU! This is an opportunity for all members to get to know their fellow members a little better, especially with the last question. We have a lot of talented and professional members.*

**SPOTLIGHT QUESTIONS:**

1. Name and Nickname
2. Place of employment and title, and/or past employment/experiences
3. Certifications
4. Education
5. Activity in Organizations/ISM
6. Hobby/Interests
7. Tell us something about yourself that no one else may know about you.