



ISM—Columbia Basin, Inc.

A tradition of professionalism since 1980.

Summer of 1980: Boyd Boydstun, C.P.M. invited a committee of local purchasing agents and buyers to meet at his house and organize a purchasing management affiliate in the Columbia basin. In October of 1980, the committee called for professionals in the area to gather for a show of interest. 126 people showed up and we formed a local Chapter of the NAPM-Spokane affiliate. In May 1981, we petitioned NAPM for separate Affiliation status and became NAPM-Columbia Basin with 60+ charter members.

Here are a few highlights of the past 33 years:

1. We have provided professional training, networking and resources to over 600 members from 70+ different companies and organizations in the Columbia basin.
2. We have presented over 300 local educational programs and seminars with nationally recognized speakers.
3. We have assisted over 55 people attain Certified Purchasing Manager (C.P.M.) status.
4. We have fielded 4 national officers and 3 regional committee chairs.
5. We hosted two regional Leadership Workshops.
6. We were directly involved in the formation of the Northwest Purchasing Education Council when NAPM changed its name and management structure.
7. We have hosted hundreds of professionals in the Tri-Cities by presenting six Pacific Northwest Purchasing Conferences.
8. We have participated in community business activities including CBC and WSU career days, presented several educational scholarships, assisted with Pasco High DECA programs, presented at TRIDEC, Partnerships in Trade, and Industrial Products functions and volunteered in the WA DOT Adopt a road program.

From that vision shared by Boyd Boydstun, our affiliate has grown to be a positive influence in the careers of many people. Our collaboration as NAPM-Columbia Basin is a step into the future.

Who do we have to thank for it? No one in particular, yet every volunteer. Each penny earned and saved, every hour donated by an officer or committee chair and every program supported by our members and their organizations have contributed to our success.

In appreciation, we award the Boyd Boydstun, C.P.M. Award of Merit to our volunteers.

Charter Members

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Jim Johnson, C.P.M. (left)
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W. L. Boyd Boydston, C.P.M.
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Award of Merit
 we created in appreciation of
 his service to the Purchasing
 Profession of the
 Columbia Basin

