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From the President:

Gene Fliedner

Oakland University

MWDSI Colleagues:

I hope this note finds your Spring semester getting off to a great start. I'd like to update you on a few items the MWDSI Executive Board has been working on.

First, I hope you have bookmarked MWDSI's new and **PERMANENT** website. The address is MWDSI.org. If you haven't, please bookmark it and visit it often for the latest news and event information. You can presently find the latest information concerning this year's annual conference at the website. Several other items are linked from that site. As soon as the conference website has been developed, a link to it will be posted. We will continue to develop more content.

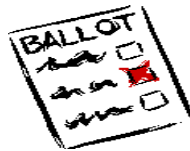
As a reminder, this year's annual is being meeting in Toledo, Ohio in April. Let's make every effort to participate in the 2005 annual meeting. Please contact the Program Chair Jan Hartley (jhartle@cba.bgsu.edu) and volunteer your support to review papers, host a session, or both. Let's make a commitment for April 14-16 to be in Toledo in 2005!

Included in this newsletter is a short bio for the officer candidates the MWDSI Executive Board has nominated for the vacating offices. Please review the candidates and their qualifications. A mail-in ballot will be provided in our next newsletter in the unfortunate event you will not be able to attend this year's annual conference.

According to MWDSI's Bylaw 9, each year the MWDSI Fellows Committee shall collect a preliminary list of Fellows nominees from a variety of sources including MWDSI members. This notification serves as that initial call for nominations. If you would like to nominate a candidate, please submit a statement of qualifications which highlights the nominee's service contributions to the MWDSI. Forward your nomination to either myself or Ed Duplaga, Secretary. All nominations received throughout a given year shall be judged for recommendation to the Executive Board by the MWDSI Fellows Committee prior to the annual MWDSI Program. Whatever nominations are available to the MWDSI Fellows Committee should be considered by the committee during the current year. All other nominations received after that time shall be considered by the next MWDSI Fellows Committee.

I hope to see you in Toledo in April.

Gene Fliedner, President, Midwest DSI



Officer Elections



This coming year's officer nominees put forward by the Executive Board of the Midwest Decision Sciences Institute along with a short candidate bio are identified below. The election of officers shall take place at the annual meeting in Toledo, April 14-16, 2005. Members may return ballots by mail or deposit them in receptacles provided at the meeting. All ballots must be received before 10:00 a.m. on the last day of the conference. You may also use the Spring newsletter for mail-in voting.

- **President-Elect**

Richard J. Penlesky

- **Secretary**

Edward A. Duplaga

- **Vice President-Planning and Development**

Charles G. Petersen

- **Vice President for Publications**

Chang Liu

- **Vice President for Member Services**

Kristina Setzekorn

- **Vice President for Student Liaison**

Daesik Hur

- **Vice President for Industry Liaison**

Thomas F. Gattiker



Candidate Bios:

President-Elect: Richard J. Penlesky is an Associate Professor in Business, Accounting and Economics at Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin. Dr. Penlesky holds a DBA in Operations Management from Indiana University and an MBA and a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Marquette University. In addition to Carroll College, Dr. Penlesky has served on the faculties of Bowling Green State University, Marquette University and the University of Minnesota. Dr. Penlesky is a member of the Decision Sciences Institute (DSI) and *APICS-The Educational Society for Resource Management*. He is certified by APICS at the fellow level (CFPIM). He is co-author of *Developing and Using Decision Support Applications* (West) and has published in *Management Science*, *Institute of Industrial Engineering Transactions*, *International Journal of Production Research*, *Production Planning & Control*, *International Journal of Operations & Production Management* and *Production and Inventory Management Journal*. Dr. Penlesky has served the Institute as a conference presenter, session chair, discussant, co-chair of the POM Track for the 1991 National Meeting and chair of the POM Track for the 1994 Midwest Meeting. He was elected to two terms as VP for Publications of Midwest DSI (1995-1999), one term as Midwest Regionally Elected VP (2000-2002), and two terms as VP for Member Services of Midwest DSI (2003-2005).

Secretary: Edward A. Duplaga is an associate professor of operations management in the Management of Information Systems and Operations Department of Winona State University (WSU). He received his MBA and PhD from the University of Iowa. His research has focused on several aspects of manufacturing planning and control systems and has appeared in *Interfaces*, *International Journal of Production Economics*, *International Journal of Production Research*, *Journal of Operations Management*, and *Production and Inventory Management Journal*. He serves on the Editorial Review Board for *Quality Management Journal* and *Mid-American Journal of Business*. Dr. Duplaga is a member of Decision Sciences Institute, ASQ and APICS. He has served as the Secretary for Midwest DSI, the Quality Management Track Chair for Midwest DSI and VP Education and Research for the Toledo Chapter of APICS.

V. P. Panning and Development: Charles G. Petersen, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Operations Management at Northern Illinois University. Dr. Petersen teaches both graduate and undergraduate supply chain management and previously served as the coordinator for the integrated undergraduate business core. He holds a

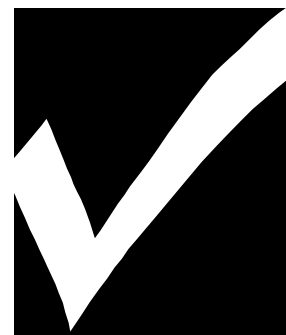
B.S. in industrial engineering from Iowa State University, a M.B.A. from Washington University, and a Ph.D. in operations management from Indiana University. Dr. Petersen's primary research interests are in the areas of supply chain management, order fulfillment, and electronic commerce. His scholarly work has been published in *Decision Sciences*, *Production and Operations Management*, *International Journal of Production Research*, *International Journal of Production Economics*, *International Journal of Operations & Production Management*, and *International Journal of Physical Distribution and Logistics Management*. He has served the past year as Midwest DSI Vice President for Planning and Development and has served as reviewer, discussant, session chair, and track chair at previous Midwest DSI and national DSI Annual Meetings. Dr. Petersen has also been chosen to be the 2007 Midwest DSI Annual Meeting Program Chair.

V. P. Publications: Chang Liu, DBA, is an associate professor of Management Information Systems at Northern Illinois University. He received his doctor of business administration from Mississippi State University in 1997. Currently, he teaches database and electronic commerce classes. His research works published at *Information & Management*, *International Journal of Electronic Commerce and Business Media*, *Journal of Global Information Management*, *Journal of Internet Research*, *Journal of Computer Information Systems*, *Mid-American Journal of Business*, *International Journal of Mobile Communications*, *Journal of International Technology and Information Management*, and *Journal of Informatics Education Research*. He has served as VP for Publication at Midwest DSI since 2001.

V.P. Member Services: Kristina Setzekorn is an Assistant Professor and teaches MIS and Operations courses at the University of Evansville in Evansville, IN. Her primary research interests deal with inter-organizational information sharing strategy, especially as it applies to supply chain management. Her work has been published in the *Information Research Management Journal*, *International Journal on Media Management*, *Journal of Small Business Strategy* and *Communications of the IIMA*, and in four book chapters published by Idea Group. She has presented papers at the International Conference on Information Systems, Decision Sciences Institute Annual Conference, Americas Conference of Information Systems, the International Information Management Association Annual Meeting, the Strategic Management Society Annual International Conference, the ATiB Fall Research Seminar Series and the Mid-West Decision Sciences Institute Meeting. She serves on the Program Committee for the IRMA 2005 International Conference. She's a member of the Global Manufacturing Research Group, the Editorial Review Board of the *International Journal of E-Business Research*, 2004-2006. She's an ad hoc reviewer for the Editorial Review Board of the *Information Resources Management Journal (IRMJ)*, 2004-2006 and an Associate Editor of IS World's Strategic Information Systems page. Additionally, she was a track chair for the Midwest Decision Sciences Institute Conference in 2001 and has served as a reviewer for ICIS, DSI, MWDSI, AMCIS, *IRMJ*, *JSIS*, *Database*, *JCIS* and *Minnesota KM Symposium*.

V. P. Student Liaison: Daesik Hur is an assistant professor in the Department of Management at Bowling Green State University where he teaches operations and supply chain management. He received his BA and MA from Yonsei University, MBA from Bowling Green State University, and Ph.D. in Operations Management from Indiana University. His research interests include supply chain management and service operations management, and his publications appeared in *Production and Operations Management*, *International Journal of Logistics*, *Production and Inventory Management Journal*, and *OMEGA*. He has received two best paper awards from the Decision Sciences Institute, and a best paper award from the ISM/CAPS North American Research Conference. He currently serves as vice president for student liaison of the Midwest Decision Sciences Institute.

V. P. Industry Liaison: Thomas F. Gattiker is Assistant Professor of Operations Management at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where he teaches OM and procurement/supply chain and is an affiliate of the Engineering Management program. His research appears in (or is forthcoming in) *The International Journal of Production Research*, *Information and Management*, *Production and Inventory Management Journal*, *Quality Management Journal* and *The Decision Sciences Journal of Innovative Education*. His current research is in the application of information technology, such as enterprise systems (ERP) and internet reverse auctions, to the operations and supply chain areas. He was the 1999 APICS E&R Foundation George and Marion Plossl Fellow. Before obtaining his Ph.D. from the University of Georgia, he worked for 6 years in industry, in operations and inventory management, most recently at Rockwell Automation/Reliance Electric. He is a past president of the Athens, Georgia chapter of APICS (American Production and Inventory Control Society).





April 14-16, 2005, Radisson Hotel-Toledo OH
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The 2005 Meeting is Almost Here!

I hope that you will be able to join us at the 2005 MWDSI Annual Meeting in Toledo Ohio. Pre-conference activities will be on the afternoon and evening of April 14th. The paper sessions will be scheduled 8:00 am – 4:30 pm on Friday April 15th and 8:30 – 11:45 am on Saturday April 16th.

Some of the planned activities are:

- A plant tour of the Toledo Jeep plant is tentatively scheduled during the afternoon of April 14th. Watch your email in March for more details about the plant tour. Thanks to Tom Gattiker, Miami University for planning this event.
- Doctoral students at all levels in their programs are invited to attend the doctoral student dinner hosted by MWDSI in the evening on April 14th. Students interested in attending, please email Daesik Hur (dhur@cba.bgsu.edu) who is coordinating this event.
- The awards luncheon will be on Friday 11:30-1:00 at the Radisson hotel. The awards for the best paper, best student papers, and the Stan Hardy award for the outstanding paper published in 2004 in Operations Management will be presented at the luncheon.
- Social activities will include the President's reception and tickets to the first home game of the season of the Toledo Mud Hens. The Hens will be facing the Durham Bulls. These activities are sponsored by the University of Toledo and Bowling Green State University.
- Continental breakfast will be provided each day. The breakfast on Friday is sponsored by Northern Illinois University. Coffee breaks will be sponsored by

Penn State Erie, Valparaiso University, and Winona State University. The generosity of our sponsors allows us to provide these activities!

Now is the time to start making your travel plans! If you are driving, downtown Toledo is easy to get to from I-75 or I 80/90. If you are flying you can fly into Toledo Express which is located about 25 minutes from downtown or Detroit Metro which is located about 50 minutes from downtown Toledo. If flying into Detroit you may want to rent a car.

Information about the hotel and registration for the conference can be found at www.mwdis.org. Conference rates at the Toledo Radisson Hotel (419-241-3000) are \$79.00 per night and be sure to ask for the MWDSI conference rate when making reservations. Conference registration fees for DSI members who register by April 8th are \$115 and students who are authors are free! This year we can accept major credit cards for your registration. See you in Toledo!!

2005 Annual Midwest DSI Meeting

Toledo, OH

Thanks to MWDSI Sponsors!

Thanks to the following sponsors who made the MWDSI Reception at the National Meeting in Boston a huge success! The reception was sponsored by:

- Bowling Green State University
- Miami University
- Michigan State University
- Northern Illinois University
- Ohio State University

