



**INTRODUCTION TO
SOLE
The International Society of
Logistics**

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SOLE



SOLE - The International Society of Logistics is a non-profit international professional society composed of individuals organized to enhance the art and science of logistics technology, education and management



HISTORY



SOLE was founded in 1966 as the Society of Logistics Engineers "to engage in educational, scientific, and literary endeavors to advance the art of logistics technology and management." There are over 90 SOLE chapters in more than 50 countries throughout the world. Chapters conduct technical meetings, symposia and workshops, all designed to provide the SOLE member with opportunities for professional advancement. Chapters and districts also sponsor regional technical meetings.



SOLE's PROFESSIONAL PLEDGE



We, as members of SOLE - The International Society of Logistics and professionals in logistics management, engineering and education, recognize our deep obligation to mankind to help conserve the world's resources and increase the efficiency of business methods, industrial processes and public services.

We acknowledge our duty to use all the knowledge and skills at our command to assure that the basic necessities of human life -- food, health care, education, energy, housing and public services -- are efficiently produced and distributed in the required quantities at an equitable cost.

We resolve to undertake vigorous promotion of progressive programs, in cooperation with educational and other institutions in all lands, to improve the knowledge, skills and social awareness of logisticians, educators and executives in the efficient management of physical and human resources.



SOLE's PROFESSIONAL PLEDGE



We resolve to exercise professional vigilance in the quality, reliability and safety of products and services to sustain civilized life.

We recognize our obligation to help increase the effectiveness of logistics management, raise the productivity and reduce the costs of industrial and public service support systems, and develop and conserve scarce material resources for the benefit of all men.

As members of SOLE - The International Society of Logistics, we pledge our energies and professional skills to realization of these goals, in consonance with our increasing awareness of the delicate balances of the natural environment and the need for improvement of the human habitat. We do so with full confidence in the great potential for human betterment offered now and in the future by improved technology, management and education in the art and science of logistics.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS



Through SOLE, you'll gain the support you need to effectively work in the broad field of logistics. As an individual member of SOLE, you'll take an active part in shaping the future in areas like the environment, space frontiers and alternative energy sources. You'll have an opportunity to participate in SOLE's numerous boards and committees or serve as an elected officer.

You'll build on your knowledge base by working with your peers and other experts to find solutions to matters of worldwide importance. You'll be at the forefront of establishing current policy. SOLE, for instance, helped to drive the policy on computer software maintenance adopted by the defense and commercial industries.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS (cont)



The Return on Your Investment is a Better You

When considering membership in SOLE – The International Society of Logistics, you have every right to ask: *“What’s in it for me?”*

Membership in SOLE sets you apart from the norm. It shows that you are a proactive, results-oriented individual who wants to be on the leading edge of your profession. It demonstrates commitment to personal and professional growth and says that you have empowered yourself to be a leader in your field. What better way to make your mark on the worldwide Logistics community? When you make a commitment to join SOLE you make a commitment to yourself. The benefits of SOLE membership are your building blocks for a great future.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS (cont)



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

New Technologies and Best Logistics Practices Membership in SOLE entitles you to a role in shaping the future of your chosen profession. Take an active role in promoting current initiatives like:

Performance Based Supportability - reducing the cost of ownership by design

Reverse Logistics Management - utilizing logistics to develop, implement and sustain eco-efficient business practices that create multi-profit cycles for products

Outstanding Seminars and Workshops Only SOLE offers training across the entire spectrum of logistics; many programs in cooperation with renowned educational institutions.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS (cont)



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

Quarterly Journal - Theme issues of the *Logistics Spectrum* explore the hottest topics in your areas of expertise.

Annual International Logistics Conferences with Exhibitions - Learn from and network with the world's leading logistics professionals, at symposia/congresses in the U.S. and abroad.

Special Interest Conferences - Hone the skills required for your area of expertise or explore new areas of interest.

Certification Programs - SOLE's CML and CPL programs are the only internationally recognized professional “whole enterprise” logistics certifications. Recertification requirements continuously validate your expertise and elevate the designation's recognition in industry.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS (cont)



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

Designation Programs - SOLE's Designated Logistician programs – to include the Army, Raytheon, Global Logistics Council of Taiwan and other company-specific applications – afford logisticians worldwide the opportunity to be recognized for their experience, education and training through a series of designations as either a Demonstrated Logistician (DL), Demonstrated Senior Logistician (DSL), or Demonstrated Master Logistician (DML). Recognized in both defense and industry worldwide, these non-exam programs form the foundation of your recognition as an expert in your field.

Scholarships - Take advantage of educational assistance. Scholarships and Doctoral Dissertation Awards are available for every level of academic study in logistics and related disciplines.

Application Divisions - Join one or more of SOLE's nine special interest groups to focus your development in your area(s) of interest.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS (cont)



PEER RECOGNITION

Publish -SOLE offers ample opportunity to publish journal articles, monographs, technical papers; or conference presentations and proceedings.

Speak and Teach - Share your knowledge and expertise at local (chapter) or national meetings, conferences, seminars and workshops.

Leadership - Distinguish yourself as a leader in your profession by participating in SOLE management. Opportunities abound at the local, national and international levels.

Awards - Earn recognition for outstanding contributions to your industry and your society.



SOLE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS (cont)



CAREER ADVANCEMENT

Resume Clearinghouse - Don't miss out on that dream job. Post your resume to SOLE's website, and search for openings free of charge.

Job Recruitment Services - Professionals help you find the right job, in the right place, for the right salary.

Global Logistics Network - Members helping members, the Global Logistics Network reaches out across the worldwide logistics community to bring its combined knowledge to your fingertips.



SOUTHERN MARYLAND SOLE CHAPTER 4



The Southern Maryland SOLE Chapter chartered on August 27, 1970

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Current Chapter 4 Officers

Chairman - William E. Hidle

Vice Chair Administration – Susie Larson

Vice Chair Operations – Charles Wheeler, CPL

Vice Chair Finance – June Bateman

Vice Chair Education and Professional Development – Charles Wheeler

Vice Chair Members Services - Julie O'Brien

Webmaster – Art Leforge



SOUTHERN MARYLAND SOLE CHAPTER 4



- **Southern Maryland SOLE 2009**
 - **Monthly Luncheons (Guest Speakers)**
- **PLANS FOR 2010**
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 - **Education Forums (CPL, CML, ect..)**
 - **SME Workshops (PBL, Joint Logistics, ect..)**



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- **Need Participation**
- **Need ideas and suggestions**
- **Membership Cost**



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- **Remember: It is not the organization that makes the person, but the person who makes the organization.**

QUESTIONS?



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