Another quarter! Another year! How fast the months and years go by. All is well in the MPM program as we enter the new calendar year, and we hope the same is true in each of your lives. As you will see in this edition of the MPM News, our students and alums are busy producing the next generation of MPM students and we are most appreciative of this effort. Keep up the good work.

**New Graduates**

Congratulations to our new graduates who completed their MPM degree in the Fall Quarter. We wish them the best of luck during these challenging economic times.

- Rudy Cerrone (USA)
- Xing Yan (China)
- Daniel Marron (USA)
- Yi Yang (China)

**New Students**

We are happy to extend a warm welcome (despite the outside temperature) to the following students who will join the MPM program in the Winter Quarter.

- Tarik Chafa (Algeria)
- Meijun Liu (China)
- Yicheng Ding (China)
- Tamer Mindaye (USA/Ethiopia)
- Carolina Fong Guzzy (Mexico)
- Gamalier Rodriguez Batiz (Puerto Rico)
- Mazin Khosho (Iraq)
- Elizabeth Zurita (USA/Venezuela)

**Spring Brunch**

Plan ahead and reserve **Sunday, June 2, 2013** on your calendars for our next Spring Brunch, which will be held again at the Park Ridge Country Club.

**Alum News**

*Kimoo Heo* (MPM 1998) has had a varied career since leaving Northwestern University. After graduating from the MPM program, he returned to Korea and worked in various Korean EPC companies, such as Hyundai and SK, in thermal power and petrochemicals. Then he moved into the renewable energy industry and worked on wind and solar energy. Recently, he transferred from the Korean parent company to a USA subsidiary, OCI Solar Power, in San Antonio, Texas, to build one of the largest solar plants in the United States. To complement his MPM background he recently attended the Executive Program in the Kellogg School of Management.

Congratulations to *Diane Redszus Zimmer* (MPM 1997) and her husband, Scott, on the birth of their second daughter, Dagny Lu, on October 10, 2012. She weighed 7 lbs 2 oz and was 20 inches long. Diane works for Lend Lease and is a member of our MPM Advisory Board.
Christopher Green (MPM 2008) and his wife, Prem, are the happy parents of a son, Rian James, who was born on November 12, 2012, weighing in at 6 lbs 13 oz and measuring 18 inches long. Chris was in Minneapolis on a work assignment when his wife headed to the hospital. Although he got on the first available flight, his son decided to manifest his independence and made his entry into the world just before the plane left the gate in Minneapolis. Chris was simultaneously disappointed and excited, but fortunately everyone is healthy and doing well.

Chris continues in his position with Mortenson Construction and has recently completed a project in Jacksonville, Florida. He is now back in Illinois working on the renovation and expansion of the Deerfield Public Library. The 45,000 sf project consists of a complete renovation of the existing library plus the construction of an addition and it is scheduled for completion in May 2013.

Congratulations to Chad Hall (MPM 2008) and his wife, Vicki, on the arrival of their daughter, Penelope Ivy. She was born on November 20, 2012 in Northridge, California, and weighed in at 8 lbs 5 oz. Chad is working in California with R-T Specialty Insurance Services.

Fahad Alayaf, a current MPM student, and his wife, Sarah Alsulaiman, announce the birth of their daughter, Fahdah, who was born on November 21, 2012. She was 21 inches long and weighed 8 lbs.

Michael Cirillo, a current MPM student, and his wife, Jenny, are the proud parents of Sophia Lee (dubbed by her father as their “little meatball” girl), who made her grand entry into the world on December 19, 2012, weighing in at 8 lbs 10 oz, with a length of 20.5 inches.
**Executive Management Program**

We have completed one-quarter in the inaugural year of our Executive Management program and every indication suggests that we are having the success for which we had hoped. Efforts are now underway to assemble the second class to start in the coming Fall Quarter. Accordingly, please encourage your qualified colleagues (or even you yourself) to consider this program of study to enhance their career. The web site for the program is at: [http://emdc.northwestern.edu](http://emdc.northwestern.edu)

**New Specialization Areas**

Plans are shaping up to add two new specialization areas to the MPM program. These will be in Transportation Management and Sustainability and they will replace the current offerings in Infrastructure Management and Environmental Management. The course descriptions and new faculty for each area are being assembled and will hopefully be in place for the Fall Quarter. We will keep you posted on the progress being made and ask your support in bringing these new opportunities to the attention of your colleagues.