

Cedar Valley Views

Celebrating 30 Years in the Cedar Valley!



APICS

March 2004

**Build Your Business—
Build Your Team—
Build Your Career**
APICS and our Cedar Valley Chapter offer almost unlimited opportunities to improve your career, your work team, and your enterprise.

**Maximize your
Membership ROI—
Be an active member!**

**CPIM & CIRM
Certification Programs**
are a great way to develop and motivate your resource management individuals or teams. Visit the Cedar Valley APICS website for more info on the programs and a schedule of local review courses and exams for 2004

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May 12th Golf Outing

We're Cedar Valley APICS

We're the local chapter of APICS—the American Production and Inventory Control Society, an international organization with 70,000 members in 20,000 companies worldwide. Locally, we're the Cedar Valley APICS Chapter—120 members from 40 companies in Cedar Rapids, Iowa City and the surrounding area. We're a non-profit volunteer organization, dedicated to providing leading edge learning opportunities, professional certification, networking, and access to the education resources of APICS International.

Cedar Valley APICS

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Cedar Valley APICS, a nonprofit educational organization and the local chapter of APICS International, has been serving its members and the Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, and surrounding business community since 1972. Our mission is to develop, promote, and recognize the professional management of resources by individuals and enterprises.

Cedar Valley Views, the chapter’s monthly newsletter, is available to members by email. Interested nonmembers may request inclusion on our “Friends of CDVA” email distribution by contacting rick.held@mchsi.com. The newsletter may be forwarded to interested parties; articles may be reprinted with permission from Cedar Valley APICS.

<p style="text-align: center;">Special thanks to Cedar Valley Company Coordinators, our behind-the-scenes recruiters of new members, PDM attendees, and Certification students:</p>			
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March Meeting by Cedar Valley APICS

Plant Tour – Lear Corporation, Iowa City
2500 Highway 6 East, Iowa City, IA 52240

When: Tuesday, March 9, 2004

5:30 pm Tour

7:00 pm Dinner at the Okoboji Grill
 (Main course of steak, chicken breast or one of two pasta dishes)



Lear Corporation is a Fortune 500 company manufacturing a diverse group of products worldwide. The Iowa City plant was established in 1964 and currently is 364,000 square feet on 20 acres, employing over 900 associates.

Lear Iowa City manufactures a variety of interior trim components for the automotive industry, including instrument panels, door panels, and armrests. Several different processes are utilized, such as injection and rotational molding, urethane foam cure lines, paint processes, and resistance spot welding, to name a few. Lear Iowa City is a Tier 1 supplier to Chrysler, Ford, GM, and Toyota.

Safety: Safety glasses (with side shields) are required on the plant tour. These will be provided if you do not have your own. Open toe or heel shoes are not allowed.

Cameras are not allowed during the tour.

Reservations are due by Friday, March 5th; Cost of dinner \$20.00 payable at restaurant
 (No-shows are billed.)

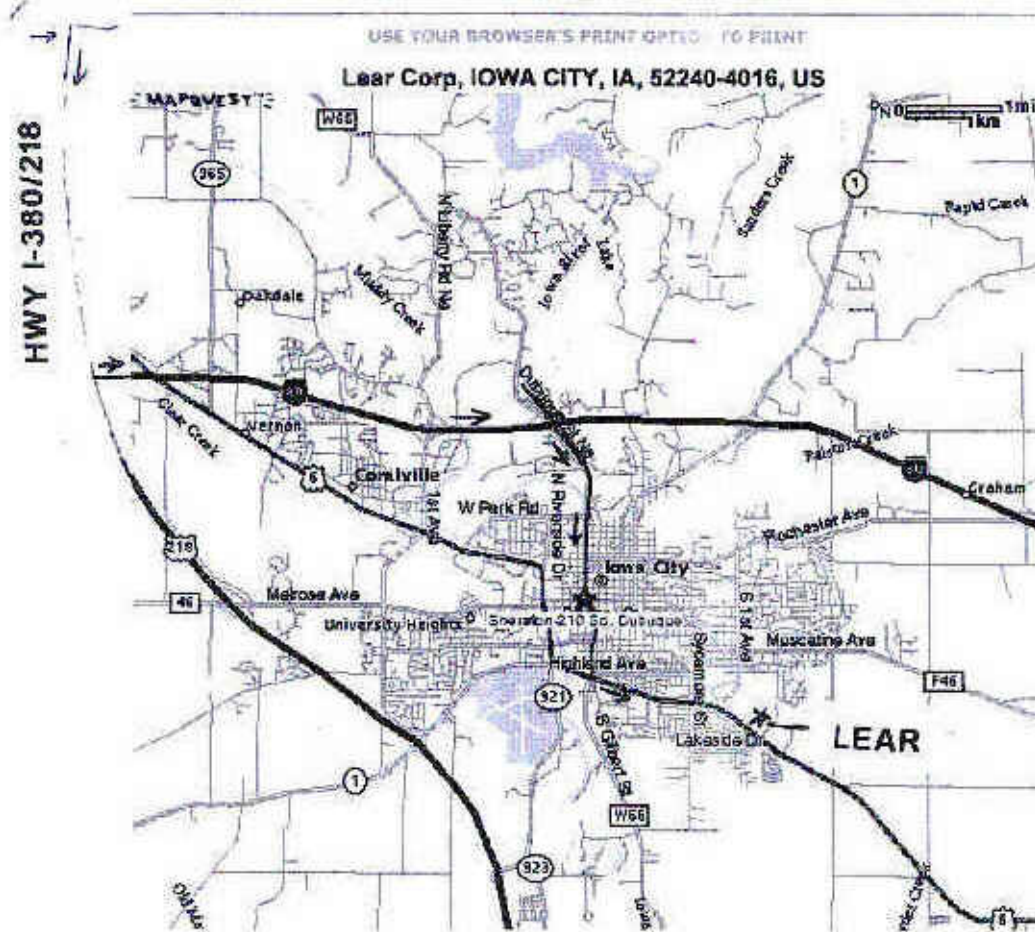
Contact Cedar Valley APICS Director of Programs Kavi Parupally,
 Phone (319) 295-6280, E-Mail kkparup9@rockwellcollins.com, or FAX (319) 295-7400
 Please check if you are attending the tour, the dinner or both.

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Directions to Lear



To Lear direct from Cedar Rapids: From I-380/218 take Hwy 1 exit east (left) and continue to Lear on left side of highway. Note that Hwy 1 intersects with Hwy 6 east.

To Lear coming from the east on I-80, take Herbert Hoover exit (turns into Rochester) to 4-way stop and turn left on Scott Blvd. Follow Scott Blvd to Hwy 6 and turn right. Lear Plant is approx ½ mile on Hwy 6 to your right.

New book donations to the Cedar Rapids Public Library

Director of Education Jim Milden has donated the following three new books on the behalf of the chapter to the Cedar Public Library as part of the chapter's educational initiatives for 2003-2004.

- Thomas Wallace and Robert Stahl, Master Scheduling in 21st Century
- David Burt, et al. World Class Supply Management
- Nigel Slack and Michael Lewis, Operations Strategy

CPIM “Basics” Course Starts April 8

Today more than ever, our businesses need people with the skills and knowledge to meet ever-increasing challenges to the efficient and effective management of resources--to plan, schedule, coordinate, expedite, and optimize the flow of material, labor, services and information which creates value for our customers. Whether we compete in manufacturing, service, distribution, healthcare, utilities, communications, or any other business area, APICS education, reference materials, and involvement can help our team members excel in their resource management roles.

Timing is everything, and the time is now! Whether you are developing the professional skills of yourself, a valued employee, or your work team, the combination of Certified in Production & Inventory Management course content & certification is a powerful incentive. Contact Kirkwood to register today!

Basics of Supply Chain Management

Review the four phases of supply chain management—planning, procuring, producing, and distributing—and focus on the flow of material and info through a modern supply chain. Emphasis is on the fundamental terminology and concepts of materials management. Classes will be held Thursday evenings, 6:00—9:00 PM, April 8 through June 10. Course fee includes textbook, exam content manual, sample test, and the CPIM Exam for the module.



Experienced Instructor

Jim Milden has 25 years experience in materials management in a variety of retail, wholesale, and manufacturing companies. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Mr. Milden is certified by APICS in both Production & Inventory Management (CPIM) and Integrated Resource Management (CIRM). He is currently the Materials Analyst with Apache Hose and Belting.

APICS CPIM Review Course Schedule: 2004-2005

COURSE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	KCC LOCATION	START DATE	END DATE	EXAM DATE
Basics of Supply Chain Mgmt	Apr 5, 2004	Amana Room Iowa Hall	Apr 8	Jun 10	Jun 12
Execution & Control of Ops	Sep 6, 2004	TBA	Sep 9	Nov 11	Nov 13
Strategic Mgmt of Resources	Jan 17, 2005	TBA	Jan 20	Mar 24	Apr 9
Basics of Supply Chain Mgmt	Apr 4, 2005	TBA	Apr 7	Jun 9	Jun 11

Fundamentals of Inventory Workshop - March 26

Sponsored by Cedar Valley APICS & Kirkwood Community College

*In these challenging times, are you getting a satisfactory return on your inventory investment?
Do you understand the impact inventory has on the growth & development of your organization?
Are you taking advantage of the strategic potential of a well-managed inventory?*

“Fundamentals of Inventory Management” will:

Introduce essential vocabulary and skills needed to identify and apply the basic concepts of inventory management.

Provide participants with the essential tenets, techniques, and terminology of inventory management.

Include the basic methods of planning & controlling inventory in manufacturing, wholesale distribution, service, & retail environments.

Who will benefit?

- **Managers** in all phases of Operations
- **Planners** for Operations, Production, Inventory, Logistics
- **Supervisors** of Warehouses and Distribution Centers

Which topics will be addressed?

- Inventory Functions
- Lot-sizing and Safety Stock
- Perpetual Inventory Systems
- Periodic Inventory Systems
- Time-phased inventory Systems
- Forecasting and Safety Stocks
- Record Accuracy and Cycle Counting

Friday, March 26, 2004 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Instructor: Jim Milden

**KTOS – Kirkwood Training & Outreach Services Center
3375 Armar Drive, Marion, Iowa**

Register Through Kirkwood Community College

To register for course # 221447, “Fundamentals of Inventory,” follow the easy phone registration instructions in the latest issue of the Kirkwood Catalog, or phone 398-1022 or 1 (800) 332-8833 for assistance. You may register online at www.foryourlifetime.com. Payment options include company billing, credit card, or check. If you are interested in company billing, call Gayle Kennedy at 398-5623. Space is limited to the first 30 registrants.

Cost per workshop registrant is \$195.00, which includes instruction, class materials, and extensive workbook with examples. Lunch will be on your own.

February PDM had 31 attendees

Special thanks to Gale Mote, who gave a wonderful presentation, entitled “Nobody Ever Washes a Rental Car” which focused on building a work environment where everyone takes ownership and accepts responsibility. Those in attendance enjoyed a presentation that was thought –provoking and full of energy.

Attending were Rick Held, Maytag; Kavi Parupally, Tim Soukup, Kurt Carr, Kirk Schroeder, Kay Landuyt, Mary Knutson, Shawn Phillips, Gerald Muench, Julie Stull, Gary Reimer, Michelle Bell, Rockwell Collins; Larry Bolton, Lear Mfg; Steve Schmitz, Penford Products; Steve Wedgewood, Joe Miller, Stan Schmidt, Joyce Lint, Kinze Mfg; Jack Parisien, Nancy Dean, Hunters Specialties; Jim Mildren, Lori Miller, Apache; Greg Stark, McLeod; Phyllis Krambeer, Bill Coyle, Harvey Amidon, ADM; Deb Pingel, Cargill; Gordan Baker, Alliant Energy; Cindy Hathaway, Schneider Electric; Steve Rose, Midland Forge; Teresa Heitman.



Help For Our “Downsized” APICS Members

“Seeking Employment” advertisement in our Cedar Valley Views newsletter—Quarter-page ad FREE to unemployed Cedar Valley APICS members. Copy due 15th of the month. Contact Rick Held.

APICS Career Center—all candidates may search jobs, but only APICS members receive the added benefits of posting resumes and receiving email alerts when new positions are listed. Visit the APICS Career Center at www.apics.org, phone (800)444-2742, or email jobs@apicshq.org.

Benefits Extension for Unemployed Members Program—a six-month extension of membership benefits without cost. Contact Julie Stull for more info and an application.

Job Postings

A separate e-mail distribution list has been set up for these job postings. If you would like to receive these postings, please contact rick.held@mchsi.com and ask to be added to the job postings list. You can have the newsletter and these job postings sent to different email addresses if you like.

We welcome your inquiries regarding articles, submissions, advertising, address changes, etc. The deadline for each monthly issue is the 15th of the preceding month. Please contact the editor, Rick Held at (319) 622-2561 or rick.held@mchsi.com for more information.