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APICS

April 2004

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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.

Contact any board member for information on service and leadership opportunities beginning in 2004.

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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.

Special thanks to Cedar Valley Company Coordinators, our behind-the-scenes recruiters of new members, PDM attendees, and Certification students:

Jim Milden CPIM CIRM	Apache Hose & Belting Inc.	Debra Pingel CPIM	Cargill Inc.
Cathy Bolton CPIM	Lear Corporation	Julie Stull	Rockwell Collins
Larry Fenner	Cryovac	Patricia Schiel	Evergreen Packaging Equip.
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Rick Held CPIM	Maytag Appliances – Amana	Mary Smith	Siemens Trans Systems
Todd Peterson CPIM	CorrFlex Display & Packaging	Darin Grice	Klein Tools
Eric Van Roekel	Proctor and Gamble Co.	Ken Nelson	Norwood - Souvenir

Topic: E - Business

Presenter: John-Paul E. Besong
Senior Vice President
Electronic Business & Lean Electronics
Rockwell Collins



When: Tuesday, April 13, 2004
6:00 PM Networking
6:30 Chapter Business
6:45 Dinner
7:30 Program

Where: Longbranch Hotel & Restaurant
90 Twixt Town Rd NE, Cedar Rapids, IA

John-Paul (J.P.) E. Besong is Senior Vice President of e-Business and Lean ElectronicsSM for Rockwell Collins. Besong is responsible for Rockwell Collins' e-Business and IT strategies and initiatives, the implementation of SAP and the company's overall information technology architecture. He is also responsible for the centralized Lean ElectronicsSM organization that facilitates Lean training, Lean benchmarking and for the introduction of new Lean concepts and developments.

Previously, Besong served as head of the Enterprise Resource Planning system implementation team, a position he was appointed to in 1997. Besong joined the company in 1979 and has held various management positions of increasing responsibility, including director of Collins Printed Circuits and Fabrication, lead chemical engineer and process control manager for Collins Printed Circuits.

Besong holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Minnesota. He earned his master of business administration from the University of Iowa in 1992.

Reservations are due by Friday, April 9th \$20.00 payable at check in (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

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APRIL Is Awards Month At CDVA

Your local chapter will be recognizing all the volunteers who work in front and behind the scenes at the April PDM. Awards include: Member of the Year, Company Coordinators, and board members.

CPIM's Recognized

We have six members that have recently become CPIM certified. These members will be pinned at the April PDM. Please help the chapter recognize their accomplishments by congratulating the following: Todd Peterson from Corrflex, Rick Held from Maytag, Theresa Heitman from Daredevil Shells, Carol Wilson from Crane Valves, Cathy Bolton from Lear, and Yan Wang.

Director Elections

Director elections will be held at the April 13 PDM/Annual Meeting.

The proposed list of Directors for the 2004-2005 year:

President	Kirk Schroeder
Finance	Lori Miller
Programs	Kavi Parupally
Education	Jim Milden
Historian	Steve Rose
Web Master	Rick Held
Member @ Large	Denny Larson
Member @ Large	Tim Soukup
Marketing	Julie Stull
Membership	open
Communications	open
Administration	open
President Elect	open
Student Activities	open

Additional nominations can be made to any board member on or before April 13th.

March PDM Had 54 Attendees

The March tour of Lear Corporation in Iowa City was our largest turnout yet this year. Attendees enjoyed another great tour and an excellent dinner at the Okoboji Grill. Special thanks to Cathy and Larry Bolton for setting everything up; and thanks to all their guides and greeters. They all did an outstanding job organizing and giving this tour.

Lear manufactures armrests, instrument panels, interior trim and door panels for Chrysler, GM, Dodge and Toyota. These products are made using cellular manufacturing that includes rotational rotocast molding, injection molding, resistance spot welding, robotic paint machines, water knives, and robotics for automatic part removal from injection molding machines. Lear also uses a Pull System Visual Control Board to assist with organizing and ordering pull signals for most of the raw materials required to support their manufacturing facility.

Attending were Sean Williams, Eric Hentges, Lori Miller, Terry Kupka, Jim Milden, Dean Wood, Howard Worm, Andy Niswander and guest, Apache; Bill Weber, Centro Incorporated; Theresa Heitman, John Samota, Daredevil Shells; Jim Chapman, Evergreen; Janeen Trachta, Dave Alatalo, Doug Roman, Jack Parisien, John Brockhardt, Lynn Emrich, Craig Emrich, Marlene Stern, Nancy Dean, John Beyer, Hunters; Rick Walter, Stan Schmidt, Joe Miller, Duane Meek, Kinze Mfg; Cathy Bolton, Larry Bolton, Lear Corp; Rick Held, Steve Sandersfeld, Brad Albert, Maytag; Gregg Stark, McLeod USA; Steve Rose, Midland Forge; Dave Beastron, Ken Nelson, Dave Thole, Amy Albright, Gail Blum, Debbie O'Meara, Judy Walderbach, Shirley Pender, Norwood Souvenir; Rick McMann, Patrick Schmidt, Darin Price, Casey Gustafson, Oral -B; Steve Schmitz, Penford Products; Kelani Parisien, Kurt Carr, Tim Soukup, Larry Robinson, Kavi K Parupally, Kirk Schroeder, Mary J Knutson, Rockwell Collins.

Registration deadline for the Basics class is April 5th

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 – Begins April 8th

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

CEDAR VALLEY APICS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

May 12, 2004

HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB
MT. VERNON, IOWA

GOLF TEE TIMES START AT 12:30 P.M.
SOCIAL HOUR BEGINS AT 5:00 P.M.
STEAK FRY (COOK YOUR OWN) \$15

GOLF RESERVATIONS (\$13/Person)(NAMES):

CART RESERVATIONS (\$10/Person--\$20/Cart):

STEAK RESERVATIONS (NAMES)(Steaks provided by Hillcrest):

Cedar Valley APICS Members green fees will be paid for. Come out and join your fellow APICS members, enjoy the weather, and have some fun hitting that little white ball around. Beginners are welcome. Hillcrest has limited sets of clubs to rent, so please call them to reserve clubs if you need them. Prizes will be awarded.

For golf reservations, cart reservations, and steak reservations, please call Steve Rose at 319-558-0235 or fax 319-362-4492, or email steve.rose@cmworks.com. Hillcrest's phone number is 319-895-8193.

PLEASE REGISTER BY MAY 5.

The Fundamentals Of Inventory Management Class Had 15 Attendees

There were 15 attendees for the Fundamentals of Inventory Management class on March 26. Companies represented include: Rockwell-Collins, Profol Plastics, PMX, Hunter's Specialties, Corrflex, CCB Packaging, Orbis, City of Coralville, and McLeod USA. Attendees learned about the functions of inventory, classes of inventory, lot sizing, reorder points, safety stocks, time-phasing, replenishment techniques, and cycle counting.

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.