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#### 2006-07 Annual PDM Schedule

The Board of Directors has finalized the PDM schedule. Below are the topics and speakers that have been confirmed. REMINDER: Please make PDM and plant tour reservations to Cedar Valley Board Member Dennis Teel.

Phone: (319) 465-3537 x.292 or by email: [dteel@energymfg.com](mailto:dteel@energymfg.com)

Apr 10<sup>th</sup>      Scott Imhoff – Performance Metrics

May 5<sup>th</sup>      CDVA APICS Night at the Ball Park

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND 2006-2007 CDVA PDM's -----WIN PRIZES**

Dear CDVA APICS Members and Friends,

Welcome back to another year of interesting and educational Professional Development Meetings. Plan now to join us each month to share ideas, food, and fun.....*and an opportunity to win some great prizes*. At each PDM you may put your name in the hat for a chance to win at our Grand Prize drawing at the PDM in April 2007 (must be present for drawing at April PDM to win)

**April PDM****Performance Metrics**

**Presenter:** **Scott Imhoff, CFPIM, CIRM, CSCP**



**When:** **Tuesday, April 10, 2007**

6:00 p.m. Networking

6:30 p.m. Chapter Business

6:45 p.m. Dinner

7:30 p.m. Program

**Where:** **Longbranch Hotel & Restaurant**

90 Twix Town Road NE, Cedar Rapids, IA

Performance metrics are a crucial element of operations management. Well developed metric systems can significantly improve the control of operations. Likewise, poor metric systems can do more harm to operational effectiveness than no feedback at all.

We have more ways to measure performance than ever before. Is it all good? Can you get too much of a good thing? Are there things we should be measuring? Are there things we should not be measuring?

This presentation will highlight some performance metric fundamentals; review some metric pitfalls to avoid and share some ideas to help ensure your performance metrics are providing the constructive feedback to manage your operation.

**PDM Speaker Biography**

Scott is the Logistics Manager at GAF Materials Corporation in Minneapolis. He has held a variety of positions of increasing responsibility at GAF over the past 15 years, most recently as the inventory functional lead for GAF's corporate wide ERP implementation and interim plant manager. Scott serves on the APICS Board of Directors as the Region 5 Vice President. A past president of the Twin Cities Chapter, Scott has been an active instructor with the Twin Cities Chapter for over 15 years. In addition to a variety of chapter and regional management responsibilities, he has presented original material at seminars, meetings and workshops, and participated in item writing and courseware development.

**Reservations due by Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>.**

Contact Cedar Valley APICS Director of Programs Dennis Teel for reservations,

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## May PDM – Saturday May 5th

### Mark your calendars!

Cedar Valley Chapter will host an outing for members and a guest Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Cedar Rapids Kernels! Pre-game dinner from 3:30 till 5:00 PM with Kernels vs. Quad Cities. Prizes and fun for all!!

*Be looking for details in the May CDVA Newsletter*

## Lean Manufacturing Series

### APICS: The 5's Course #CBPR-140-Wat-03

This workshop examines the visual workplace and effective use of visual controls to encourage employees to think about ways to improve their work environment. Visual systems provide correct information for employees to do their jobs and uncover the need for constant improvement. This class is part of the APICS Lean Manufacturing Series. Fee: \$149. Instructor: Denny Larsen

Tuesday, April 10, 1-5 p.m.

Location: Kirkwood Training and Outreach Services (KTOS)

**Registration deadline is Thursday April 10, 2007.**

## CSCP Certification

### APICS: Advanced Supply Chain Management I: Fundamental Concepts and Building Competitive Logistics

This class examines how to successfully manage supply chains, develop supply chain strategy, and optimize supply chain performance and profitability. Class is part of the APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional program. Prerequisite: open enrollment. Cost is \$975.00. Course fee includes workbook. Instructor: Milden

Begins Thursday August 16, 8 weeks Thurs. 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Iowa Hall Gritter Room CBPR-165-wat02

Registration deadline is Monday, August 13

### APICS: Advanced Supply Chain Management II: Customer and Supplier Relationships and Information Technology for Supply Chains\*.

This class examines how to successfully use customer data to improve service performance of supply chains, how to manage customer and supplier strategic relationships, and how to apply technology to enhance supply chain performance. Prerequisite: Advanced Supply Chain Management I. Class is part of the APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional program. Cost: \$375.00. Course fee does not include exam, scheduled for December 8. Instructor: Milden

Begins Thursday Oct 11, 8 weeks Thurs. 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Iowa Hall Gritter Room CBPR-175-wat02

Registration deadline is Monday, October 8

Note that the Advanced Supply Chain Management classes are open enrollment; however, to qualify for the CSCP exam, the candidate must meet one of the following criteria:

BS or BA plus two years of related business experience  
CPIM, CFPIM, CIRM or CPM designation plus two years of related business experience  
Five years related business experience

## Certified Supply Chain Professional Program (CSCP)

### Helps APICS CPIM and APICS CFPIM Certification Maintenance

There are three possible ways for APICS CSCP program participants to earn points toward maintaining their APICS CPIM or APICS CFPIM designations.

- *30 points*  
Completion of the APICS CSCP Learning System.
- *20 points*  
Receipt of a passing grade on the APICS CSCP exam.
- *1 point per instructional hour*  
Participation in an instructor-led course that uses the APICS CSCP Learning System. Please note that participants cannot claim points for both the course instructional hours and the completion of the Learning System.

For additional information visit the [Certification Maintenance](#) section of the APICS Web site.

The Cedar Valley Chapter will be offering the CSCP courseware in Fall 2007 through Kirkwood Community College. The CSCP program consists of two eight week courses starting on Thursday, August 16 and Thursday, October 11. The exam date is Saturday, December 8. The cost of the CSCP program is \$1350.00 excluding the exam.

## CPIM Certification

### Master Planning of Resources

Coming Fall 2007

To register for classes, call 319-398-1022 or register on line at Kirkwood's website: [www.foryourlifetime.com](http://www.foryourlifetime.com)

## April APICS Webinar Schedule

[www.cedarvalleyapics.org](http://www.cedarvalleyapics.org)

### Upcoming APICS Webinars

**Title:** [Getting the Best Results from Vendor Managed Inventory](#)

**Date:** April 11, 2007

**Time:** 2:00 p.m. ET

**Presenter:** Michael W. Gozzo, CPIM, CSCP

[Register Today](#)

**Title:** [Lean Six Sigma for the Service Industry](#)

**Date:** April 18, 2007

**Time:** 2:00 p.m. ET

**Presenter:** Ron Crabtree, CPIM, CIRM

[Register Today](#)

**Title:** [APICS Webinar Series—Defining Six Sigma](#)

**Date:** Thursdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. ET

**Presenter:** Lee Binz, Certified Six Sigma Black Belt

[Register Today](#)

The convenience and flexibility of APICS Webinars enable organizations to educate a large number of employees at once, reduce travel expenses, and maintain consistent levels of productivity by eliminating time out of the office. Each 60-minute APICS Webinar features an educational discussion, case studies, and a Q&A session. All you need to participate is an Internet connection and a telephone. As an added benefit, registrants of each APICS Webinar receive a CD-ROM of the presentation after the event.

## Chapter News

### Chapter Elections

Chapter Board Elections will be held at the April 10<sup>th</sup> PDM.

Candidates so far include:	Gordon Davis, Alliant Energy	Director at Large
	Sanh Tran, Hunter Specialties	Director at Large
	Chad Wilson, Cekarapids, Inc.	Director at Large

Anyone interested in being nominated for a position or if you know of someone you would like to nominate, please contact either Dennis Teel at [dteel@energymfg.com](mailto:dteel@energymfg.com) or Tim Soukup at [trsoukup@rockwellcollins.com](mailto:trsoukup@rockwellcollins.com).

### Celebrate with APICS Join the 50-Member Challenge

#### Make APICS' 50th Anniversary Our Best Year Ever

For 50 years, APICS has empowered members to reach their career goals and helped businesses improve productivity and efficiency through superior education and training, internationally recognized certifications, and comprehensive resources for operations management professionals.

The APICS 50-year legacy of leadership is possible because of members like you! Now, you can pass on the legacy to new members and share the rewards of APICS membership.

#### Refer a Member and Win!

Each month, APICS will count the referrals and send a gift to each recruiting member. All participants will be entered in a drawing to win a grand prize. So, for each member you recruit, the better your chances of winning. Check the APICS Web site often to find out about the latest prizes. All recruiters will be featured on the APICS Web site and in other campaigns throughout the year.

#### Keep the APICS Legacy Strong

The APICS community is only as strong as its members. Keep APICS going strong for the next 50 years. Refer a member today, help your APICS network grow, and qualify to win!



The Association for Operations Management is the global leader and premier source of the body of knowledge in operations management, including production, inventory, supply chain, materials management, purchasing, and logistics. Since 1957, individuals and companies have relied on APICS for its superior training, internationally recognized certifications, comprehensive resources, and worldwide network of accomplished industry professionals. To learn more about the APICS community, visit [www.apics.org](http://www.apics.org).

Locally, we're the Cedar Valley APICS Chapter - serving its members and the Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, and surrounding business community since 1972. 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.

Our mission is to develop, promote, and recognize the professional management of resources by individuals and enterprises.

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### **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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Contact Director of Communications Joni Philips

**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](http://www.apics.org), phone (800)444-2742, or email [jobs@apics.org](mailto:jobs@apics.org).

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

### **Job Postings**

A separate e-mail distribution list has been set up for job postings. If you would like to receive these postings, please contact Rick Held at [rick.held@mchsi.com](mailto: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.

If you have a Job you would like distributed to this list, also email to the above address.

Job Postings will also be available on the chapter website, [www.cedarvalleyapics.org](http://www.cedarvalleyapics.org)

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