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October Professional Development Meeting

Jeff Mohr

Tuesday, October 14th

Training Within Industry (TWI)

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2008-09 Annual PDM Schedule

October 14 th	Jeff Mohr, P.E The Missing Link in Creating and Sustaining Continuous Improvement; Training within the Industry	Longbranch, Marion
November 11 th	Lynn Jahn Leadership and Team Building	Raddisson, Iowa City **note new location**
January 13th	Gale Mote Creative topic yet to be announced	Longbranch, Marion
February 10th	Sign Productions Plant Tour	Marion, Iowa
March 10 th	Rock Island Arsenal Plant Tour	Rock Island, IL
April 14 th	TBD	

October PDM – Jeff Mohr**TWI: The Missing Link in Creating and Sustaining Continuous Improvement****When:** **Tuesday, September 9th**

6:00 p.m. Networking

6:15 p.m. Dinner

6:45 p.m. Chapter Business

7:30 p.m. Program

Where: **Longbranch Hotel & Restaurant**

90 Twix Town Road NE, Cedar Rapids, IA

Jeff Mohr is a Training Within Industry (TWI) Institute Certified Trainer in Job Relations, Job Instruction, & Job Methods. He is also a licensed Professional Engineer in the state of Iowa in the discipline of industrial engineering and has a B.S. degree in industrial engineering and a master of engineering degree in systems engineering, both from Iowa State University. Mohr has been with the Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) since 1997 and is currently a member of the CIRAS Productivity Improvement Team where he focuses his efforts on facilitating the continuous improvement efforts of Iowa manufacturers. CIRAS is an industry outreach branch of Iowa State University Extension & the College of Engineering and is a Network Affiliate of the NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP).

TWI: The Missing Link in Creating and Sustaining Continuous Improvement

Training Within Industry (TWI) was developed in the United States to help meet the unique and increased production demands of WWII. It was implemented within Toyota in the early 1950's and portions of it are still being used, virtually unchanged, in Toyota plants worldwide. Many believe that TWI is one of the foundations of the Toyota Production System (TPS). It is also believed to be a key component in *creating* and *sustaining* a Continuous Improvement organization – everyday, everywhere, and everyone – and is missing in many failed lean efforts. This session will give you a short history and background of TWI, why it is needed today, a brief overview of the TWI program, case study examples of the positive impacts of implementing TWI, and available resources. If your organization has had difficulty sustaining improvements or is stalled in its continuous improvement efforts, this information should be of great interest to you.

Reservations due by 5 PM Thursday, October 9th

Contact Cedar Valley APICS Director of Programs Joni Philips for reservations,

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Fall 2008 Class & Workshop Offerings

APICS: Advanced Supply Chain Management CBPR-165-SLI01

Prepares students for the APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional program. Students will learn how to boost productivity, and integrate and effectively manage worldwide supply chain activities. Prerequisite: APICS Certification or Bachelor's degree in appropriate field. Course fee includes text books and access to course Website. Fee does not include test, scheduled for December 13.

Thursdays, 6:00-9:00. 13 sessions, starting September 4th. (no class Sep 11)

Instructor: Milden

Location: 357 Benton Hall, Main Campus

Fee: \$1299.00

Registration deadline is Friday, August 29.

APICS: Execution and Control of Operations CBPR-195-SLI01

Focuses on prioritizing and sequencing work, executing work plans and implementing controls, reporting activity results, and providing feedback on performance. The course explains techniques for scheduling and controlling production processes, the execution of quality initiatives and continuous improvement plans, and the control and handling of inventories. Course fee includes APICS exam, scheduled for December 13.

Mondays, 6:00-9:00. 10 sessions, starting September 22th. (no class Oct 13)

Instructor: Teel

Location: Room 104, KTOS Center, Marion

Fee: \$450.00

Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 17.

Cycle Counting: CBPR-225-BRE-01

Workshop discusses concept of cycle counting, its benefits, how to utilize control groups, and the application of continuous improvement techniques to inventory accuracy. Designed for entry and mid level inventory, distribution and warehousing personnel.

Tuesday, October 14, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Instructor: Wilson

Location: Room 133, KTOS Center

Cost: \$159.00.

Registration deadline is Thursday, October 9.

Physical Inventory: CBPR-230-BRE-01

Workshop discusses physical inventory preparation, defining control criteria for auditing, how to prepare counters, and how to reconcile discrepancies and close a physical inventory. Designed for entry and mid level inventory, distribution and warehousing personnel.

Tuesday, November 11, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Instructor: Milden

Location: Room 133, KTOS Center

Cost: \$159.00.

Registration deadline is Thursday, November 6.

APICS: Strategic Management of Resources

Class will start on Monday Feb 2

9 weeks through Mar 30.

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

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“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 Director of Communications Joni Philips

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Job Postings

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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

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