

Cedar Valley Views

Build Your Business - Build Your Team - Build Your Career

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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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The Cedar Valley Chapter has achieved the Chapter Benchmarking and Reporting (C-BAR) Gold award level. The submission demonstrates the chapter's dedication to providing exemplary member services and professional development opportunities to APICS members and customers.

January Professional Development Meeting

Topic: Implementing Successful Change
Presenter: Gale Mote

Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2009
Location: Longbranch Hotel and Restaurant
90 Twixt Town Rd NE, Cedar Rapids, IA
Schedule: 6:00 Networking
6:30 Chapter Business
6:45 Dinner
7:30 Program

RSVP Due Date: Friday, January 8, 2010, 5:00 pm

RSVP to: cedarvalleyapics@gmail.com

Cost (payable at check-in): \$10 Members / \$20 Non-members - **Please Note:** No-shows are billed

Preview: Gale Mote Associates leads individuals and organizations to heightened levels of effectiveness and success, resulting in lower employee turnover, higher client attraction rates and a radical shift towards invigorating workplace environments. Since Gale Mote Associates started in 1990, Gale's experience in organizational development consulting has revolutionized the workplace and has changed lives with her exceptional training and presentations.

Highly interactive and inspiring, Gale transforms audiences of all sizes into engaged learners through simulations, assessments, lively discussions, and multi-media presentations—all techniques proven to increase adult learning retention. Gale provides a dynamic array of critical skills training, motivational workshops.

2009-2010 PDM Schedule

Date	Company/Speaker	Topic
1/12/2010	Gale Mote	Implementing Successful Change
2/9/2010	Tim Lowe	University of Iowa Professor - Topic TBA
3/9/2010	Sign Productions	Tour
4/13/2010	TBD	Board Elections / Annual Meeting

CSCP Certification

APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) Offered in January 2010.

BECOMING A CSCP CANDIDATE

The CSCP program is for professionals who are interested in increasing their knowledge and expertise in the field of supply chain management. This new program is for individuals who have relevant work experience and would like to advance their careers in this growing field and gain a broader understanding of all of the areas that make up the supply chain.

“The APICS CSCP designation will equip today’s professionals with the credentials to improve their company’s competitive success and their own professional advancement,” said Thomas J. Krupka, CFPIM, Jonah, APICS president. “The new CSCP designation reflects the expanding role supply chain management plays in today’s increasingly competitive global marketplace.”

To be eligible to sit for the CSCP exam, a candidate must meet **one** of the following criteria:

- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent, plus two years of related business experience
- CPIM, CFPIM, CIRM, or C.P.M. designation, plus two years of related business experience
- Five years of related business experience.

CSCP LEARNING SYSTEM

The CSCP Learning System is a comprehensive training tool that helps students prepare for the CSCP examination. The easy-to-use system contains learning and reference tools needed to study for the CSCP examination. The learning system is based on the CSCP body of knowledge and features print-based study modules as well as online tools, including an assessment component that enhances the learning experience by enabling participants to check the progress of their studies and their understanding of the content.

The CSCP Learning System was developed to reflect the four domains of the CSCP body of knowledge, which are:

- **Supply Chain Management Fundamentals**
- **Building Competitive Operations Planning and Logistics**
- **Managing Customer and Supplier Relationships**
- **Using Information Technology to Enable Supply Chain Management**

CSCP EXAMINATION

To earn the CSCP designation, an individual must pass one, four-hour, comprehensive exam. The exam consists of 175 multiple-choice questions and is delivered via paper-and-pencil/computer-based testing.

CPIM Certification

Maximize Your Performance with CPIM

The APICS CPIM program provides operations management professionals with an education that equips them for today's global economy and marketplace. CPIM is preferred by employers worldwide because of its in-depth approach to evaluating a company's production and inventory activities.

Learn the essential terminology and concepts related to demand management, procurement and supplier planning, material requirements planning, capacity requirements planning, sales and operations planning, master scheduling, performance measurements, customer relationships, supplier relationships, quality control, lean, and continuous improvement.

The APICS CPIM program, offered through Kirkwood Community College, concentrates on the tools, techniques, and knowledge you need to improve your organization's supply chain, streamline its operations, increase its profitability and efficiency, and enhance your credibility among your peers. According to a recent survey, APICS CPIMs earn an average of 9% more than their counterparts.

The CPIM program consists of five modules; and candidates must successfully pass an exam for each module to complete the program. Classes are offered each semester at Kirkwood Community College so candidates can finish the program in two years or less.

The program consists of:

- **Basics in Supply Chain Management (Entry module):** how to manage the flow of materials and information in a supply chain.
- **Master Planning of Resources:** how to manage demand, sales and operations planning, and master scheduling.
- **Detailed Scheduling and Planning:** how to plan for material and capacity requirements, and manage supplier relationships
- **Execution and Control of Operations:** how to schedule, control, and measure production operations
- **Strategic Management of Resources (capstone module):** how market requirements drive the resources and processes of an organization.

Experienced facilitators will guide you through interactive discussions, case studies, and problem-solving exercises to help you successfully prepare for the certification exams.

Get started today:

- **View the education schedule and details for the educational offerings on the following pages -**
- **Visit the Cedar Valley website for classes and information -**

2009-2010 Education Schedule

CSCP: Advanced Supply Chain Management: #CBPR-165-SLI02

Thursdays, January 14 - April 1 (11 sessions), 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Computer-based exam dates: March 13 - April 10

Registration deadline is Friday, January 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

CPIM: Basics of Supply Chain Management: #CBPR-170-SLI02

Thursdays, January 21 - March 25 (10 sessions), 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Exam: Saturday, April 10

Registration deadline is Friday, January 15

CPIM: Detailed Scheduling and Planning: #CBPR-207-SLI01

Wednesdays, April 14 - June 9 (9 sessions), 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Exam: Saturday, June 12

Registration deadline is Friday, April 9

Workshop: Global Sourcing Workshop: #CBPR-203-SLI01

Thursdays, April 15 - June 3 (8 sessions), 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Registration deadline is Friday, April 9

Register Through Kirkwood Community College using one of the following convenient options:

- Follow the easy phone registration instructions in the latest issue of the Kirkwood Catalog
- Phone 398-1022 or 1 (800) 332-8833 for assistance
- Register online at www.foryourlifetime.com

Payment options include:

- company billing
- credit card
- check

Up-to-date course descriptions can be viewed at the following locations:

- Kirkwood Website: www.kirkwood.edu/ce
- Cedar Valley APICS chapter website: www.cedarvalleyapics.org/Education/education.htm

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Upcoming APICS Online Events

The National chapter regularly offers webinars covering issues and topics pertinent to members of the organization. The following upcoming Webinars are currently posted on the APICS website (www.apics.org)

There are currently no APICS Online Events scheduled.

For updated details on the webinars, or to view up-to-the-minute webinar opportunities, visit the APICS Online Events section of the APICS website:

http://www.apics.org/Education/Online_Events.htm

Useful Links / Resource Spotlight

This section will highlight links to articles and resources that are pertinent to issues being covered in recent and upcoming PDM's or in current educational offerings

This month's link:

<http://www.apics.org/Resources/ombok.htm>

Summary:

This is a link to the page on the APICS corporate website devoted to the Operations Management Body of Knowledge (OMBOK) Framework.

The 2nd Edition of the APICS OMBOK Framework has recently been released. This page offers a summary of the updates as well as links to download the updated Framework document or purchase a printed copy.

Career Center

Job Postings:

Up-to-the minute job postings are available on the chapter website, www.cedarvalleyapics.org

If you have a job you want listed on the CDVA website, please contact the CDVA Board at cedarvalleyapics@gmail.com

APICS Career Center:

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

Member Benefits

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

Local Benefits:

The CDVA Board of Directors is actively looking into ways to provide added benefits to the local chapter members

- **Rebates are available for members attending selected certification courses and workshops offered through Kirkwood.**
- Discounted PDM rates were instituted this year- cost for current members has been cut in 1/2, to \$10 per PDM.
- Additional benefits are currently being planned and will be added to this section as they become available.

National Benefits:

APICS offers a number of membership options, with a number of benefits associated with each category of membership. Details on the benefits provided through membership in APICS can be found at the following link:

<http://www.apics.org/Membership/Categories/>

Certification Anniversaries

The following members marked anniversaries of their certifications during the month of December:

CPIM:

- Mark Burkman - 12/10/2005 - 4 years

CIRM:

- Keun Man Lee - 12/10/2004 - 5 years

CSCP:

- John Brockardt - 12/2/2006 - 3 years
- Dennis Teel - 12/2/2006 - 3 years
- Terri Kenward - 12/2/2006 - 3 years
- Gordon Baker - 12/2/2006 - 3 years
- Sherry Brustkern - 12/8/2007 - 2 years
- David Becker - 12/13/2008 - 1 year
- Daniel Pollock - 12/13/2008 - 1 year

Please Note: Every effort has been made to recognize all certification anniversaries occurring in the time-frame listed above. If you believe you should have appeared in this section, please contact cedarvalleyapics@gmail.com with the details you expected to see. Please use the subject line "Certification Recognition" to ensure we can begin investigating as soon as possible.

Feedback

Questions/Comments/Concerns/Ideas related to the newsletter or CDVA chapter are always welcome. Please send any correspondence to cedarvalleyapics@gmail.com, using the subject line "Feedback."

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