



The Association for Operations Management

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March 18, 2009
SAVE THE DATE
Supply Chain Management Conference

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009

“LEAN ACCOUNTING IN A LEAN ENVIRONMENT” PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

“Lean Accounting in a Lean Environment” will be presented by **Douglas Hicks, CPA, CMC**, at this joint Chapter Dinner Meeting with IMA (Institute of Management Accountants)-Grand Rapids Chapter on Wednesday, January 14th, at Boulder Creek Country Club beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Accounting and lean thinking appear to be about as compatible as Buckeyes and Wolverines. Accountants blindly follow GAAP-based rules that were created to provide generalized, historical accounting measurements for individuals outside of an organization while lean thinkers require more specific, forward-looking economic measurements to guide and manager their lean initiatives. Current solutions to this conflict—Lean Accounting included—all come up short because each one has been developed by a specific interest group that only cares about solving its own problems, not the overall problem.

This session discusses fundamental changes that must be made in the way accounting views business operations if it is to be an effective partner in creating lean and competitive businesses. Included is a case study showing how management accounting and lean thinking can be effective partners in moving a manufacturing firm into a financially successful future.

Doug Hicks is President of D.T. Hicks & Co., a consulting firm concentrating on the decision costing needs of small and mid-sized organizations. Before establishing his firm in 1985, Doug accumulated over 15-years of financial and management accounting experience, twelve of those years in industry.

AGENDA:

- 5:00 p.m. Registration/Networking
- 6:00 p.m. Buffet-Style Dinner Served (Selections: Baked Butter Crumb Scrod; Grilled Ham Steaks with Pineapple or Vegetarian upon request).
- 7:00 p.m. Speaker’s Presentation

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2008-2009 CPIM PUBLIC COURSE SCHEDULE

Welcome to 2009! It is going to be another great year full of opportunities to network and learn with APICS activities!

At the November PDM, our student chapters had an opportunity to meet with some of our membership companies at the Student Resume Night. This event was well attended and provided students with a chance to interact with professionals from various areas of business.

Our January PDM will be a joint session with the Institute of Management

Accountants (IMA). The featured speaker for the evening will be Douglas T. Hicks, CPA, CMC. His presentation will be on Accounting for the Lean Organization. With so many companies involved in some form of lean, this presentation will benefit participants from the accounting department to the shop floor.

Be sure to visit our website at www.apics-gr.org for classes being offered and other networking opportunities within the APICS chapter, as well as other APICS events. As

always, if there are areas of interest to you or your organization, please do not hesitate to contact any of the board members. We are here to provide the opportunities that will help you in your daily lives.

For more information on any events, classes, or to register, visit our website at www.apics-gr.org.

Denise L. Whittington
APICS Grand
Rapids Chapter
President
2008-09



STUDENT CHAPTERS

Congratulations to the Grand Valley State University student chapter on receiving bronze for their CBAR program! Throughout the year, President Jason Wilkie and his team have participated in and tracked multiple measurements and activities. The CBAR program helps ensure the chapters run in an organized manner and focus around strategies that have proved to help chapters remain successful. We will be honoring our team from GVSU at our February PDM- congrats again to GVSU!

On another student chapter note, we are proud to welcome ITT Technical Institute of Grand Rapids as our newest student chapter! Hot off the press from APICS Society, an approval came through granting them as our next student chapter. Led by student chapter President Tim Stencil and student advisors Lisa Gort and Susan Cox we are excited to have our third student chapter within our membership area.

Our next student event will take place Feb 20-22 at the annual student case competition. This yearly event challenges over 15 regional colleges/universities attending in a friendly yet fierce program. It begins Friday night with details of the case study and ends Sunday with final recommendations from the students. The Grand Rapids Chapter is proud to have great representation at this year's competition held in Downers Grove, Illinois.

If you see any of the students from Ferris State University, Grand Valley State University or ITT Technical Institute at a PDM—give them a BIG congrats (and welcome) for being a part of the APICS-Grand Rapids Chapter.

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Sarah Cooper, CPIM, Past President



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2008-2009 Grand Rapids Chapter Events

Day/Date/Time	Event	Speaker/ Presentation
January 14, 2009 Wednesday 6:00 p.m.	Professional Development Meeting with IMA-Grand Rapids	Doug Hicks, CPA, CMC, presents: “Lean Accounting in a Lean Environ- ment”
February 11, 2009 Wednesday 6:00 p.m.	Professional Development Meeting	TBD
March 11, 2009 Wednesday 6:00 p.m.	Professional Development Meeting	Tom Schulte
April 8, 2009 Wednesday 6:00 p.m.	Professional Development Meeting	NetShape Corporation Plant Tour
May 13, 2009 Wednesday Seminar 1—5:00 p.m. PDM 6:00 p.m.	1/2-Day Seminar AND Professional Development Meeting	Tom Wallace presents “S&OP”
June 8, 2009 (Tentative) Monday 11:30 a.m.	Chapter Golf Outing	

For complete details regarding any of the upcoming Chapter events, please check the Chapter's web site at: www-apics-gr.org or refer to the monthly membership mailing.

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COSTS:

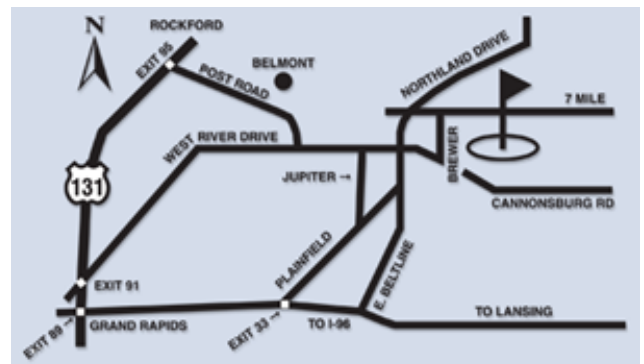
\$ 25.00 Members

\$ 35.00 Non-Members

\$ 15.00 Full-Time Students

VENUE: Boulder Creek Golf Club
5750 Brewer Road, NE, Belmont

DIRECTIONS: US-131 to West River Drive/Comstock Park exit—turn LEFT onto West River Drive. Proceed on West River past Northland Drive. Brewer Rd. is the FIRST street on your left just past the gypsum mines.



2008-2009 CPIM PUBLIC COURSE SCHEDULE

Course/Course #	Weeks/Days	Dates	Costs	Time
Master Planning of Resources (CP 575)	8 Weeks / Thursdays	January 8—February 26, 2009	Member \$475.00 Non \$570.00	6:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Strategic Management of Resources (CP 590)	9 Weeks / Wednesdays	March 4—April 1, April 15—May 6, 2009	Member \$515.00 Non \$620.00	6:00— 9:00 p.m.
Detailed Scheduling & Planning (CP 580)	9 Weeks / Tuesdays	March 24, 31, April 14—May 26, 2009	Member \$515.00 Non \$620.00	6:00 — 9:00 p.m.

Registration for any of the classes may be done online at: www.apics-gr.org and click on EVENTS Page/Tab at the top of the screen. Registrations may also be emailed to: Apicswestmi@aol.com. Please register at LEAST 6-days PRIOR to the beginning class start date to avoid shipping fees for late materials necessary for each class. ** Please bring a calculator with you to all sessions. **

Payment Information (Payment is due by the FIRST class session, if payment is not received by the first class, an additional \$50.00 will be invoiced):

- \$100 deposit is required with ALL enrollments and is refundable up to 10 days PRIOR to the class start date.
- Payment may be made securely online at: www.apics-gr.org with a credit card
- Check may be made payable and mailed to: APICS-Grand Rapids Chapter
PO Box 230256
Grand Rapids MI 49523-0256

All classes are held at The Pinnacle Center located at 3330 Highland Drive, Hudsonville.

DIRECTIONS:

From the North, East or South: Take US-131 to Eastbound M-6. M-6 will merge you into I-196 toward Zeeland/Holland. Take I-196 to the 32nd Avenue Exit # 62. Turn RIGHT onto 32nd Avenue to first traffic light (Highland Drive) and turn LEFT onto Highland Drive. The Pinnacle Center is located on your LEFT.

From the West: Take I-196 towards Grand Rapids and exit off of I-196 at 32nd Avenue Exit # 62. Turn LEFT onto 32nd Avenue and proceed to the 2nd traffic light (Highland Drive). Turn LEFT onto Highland Drive. The Pinnacle Center is located on your LEFT.





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