



## The Association for Operations Management

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### SAVE THE DATE

**April 14, 2010**  
SUPPLY CHAIN  
MANAGEMENT  
CONFERENCE

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2010 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Tim Mroz, Vice President of Marketing and Communications for The Right Place, Inc., will present “21st Century Manufacturing” at the Professional Development Meeting (PDM) on TUESDAY, January 19th beginning at 5:45 p.m. at The Pinnacle Center (3300 Highland Drive, Hudsonville). This PDM will be co-hosted with IMA (Institute for Managing Accountants) Grand Rapids Chapter.



We all know that the face and future of manufacturing is changing. But more importantly, without significant shifts in both culture and practice, the U.S. risks losing its competitive edge. 21st Century manufacturers are embracing this and realize that global commerce, innovation and investing in talent are keys to successful growth. Utilizing these practices, from design through delivery, is critical for the U.S. to retain a leadership position in the global marketplace. Learn what some local manufacturers are doing to maintain their position in the marketplace.

**Tim Mroz** joined The Right Place, Inc. in 2008, bringing with him over 10-years of marketing communications and public relations experience. He is currently responsible for leading the organization’s efforts to promote West Michigan’s business capabilities across the country and the globe.

Tim’s formal education includes a bachelor’s degree in communications from Grand Valley State University and an associate’s degree from Grand Rapids Community College in graphic design. He serves on the boards of American Advertising Federation (AAF), the Greater Grand Rapids Chapter of the Young Non-Profit Network (YNPN, GGR), and is a member of the West Michigan Film Task Force.

**DIRECTIONS:** I-196 toward Hudsonville and exit (Exit # 62) onto 32nd Avenue. Proceed westbound onto 32nd Avenue off of exit ramp to Highland Drive (traffic light at intersection) and turn LEFT onto Highland Drive. The Pinnacle Center will be located on your left, 3330 Highland Drive.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE....

Happy 2010 to You!! The APICS-Grand Rapids Board of Directors hopes you enjoyed the Holidays.

For most of us, a New Year brings a new beginning and resolutions to spend more time with our families, lose some weight, seek education or professional advancement, etc., etc. This time of year, though promising as it might be, can often be overwhelming to most of us.

The Grand Rapids Chapter Board of Directors is working to alleviate some of your stress and has developed programs for the upcoming year that will present networking opportunities with other professionals, plant tours and educational sessions to broaden your professional knowledge.

January's PDM will be held on a TUESDAY night with professionals from the Institute for Managing Accountants. The PDM will feature Tim Mroz from The Right Place, Inc. and his

presentation on 21st Century Manufacturing. This PDM will enlighten the memberships as to the direction manufacturing will be taking in the future and provide a wonderful networking opportunity with the accountants behind all the numbers we face daily.

Speaking of accounting, the Chapter is offering Accounting for Non-Accountants on Tuesday, January 19th from 8 a.m. until Noon at The Pinnacle Center. Cost for the half-day seminar is \$165 and the session will provide insight as to where the accountants come up with their financial information we need in our careers.

February will bring Mary Ellen Mika from Steelcase and her "Sustainability" presentation. The Great Lakes District will also be holding its annual Student Case Competition in Downers Grove, IL.

March 2010's PDM will feature "Lean Core Values" presented by Bill Andrews, VP of Manufacturing for NetShape International.

April 2010 will be a busy month! Save the date for the upcoming Supply Chain Management Conference on Wednesday, April 14th at Grand Valley State University's Eberhard Center (downtown Grand Rapids). Followed by the Kandu Plant Tour in Holland.

As you can see, the Board has a full agenda for you in 2010!

For more information on any events, classes, or to register, visit our website at [www.apics-gr.org](http://www.apics-gr.org).

Hope to see you at one of the upcoming events!

Jody Craig  
President 2009-10



## APICS GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER NEW MEMBERS

*APICS Grand Rapids Chapter would like to welcome the following new members:*

- *Donald Michaud*

## APICS MEMBERS

Did you know that APICS Association has a Membership Program for those current members that have been unemployed? Members who have become unemployed are allowed a 'grace period' for their membership dues. If you've let your membership lapse due to unemployment—STAY CONNECTED with APICS and contact the Chapter's Membership Director, Danielle Campbell, at: [dcampbel@steelcase.com](mailto:dcampbel@steelcase.com). Danielle will assist you in filling out the unemployment extension form to continue your membership.



## January 19th PDM Continued....

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### AGENDA:

- 5-5:45 p.m. Networking/Registration
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner Served
- 6:45 Presentation

### COSTS:

- \$ 28.00 Members
- \$ 35.00 Non-Members
- \$ 15.00 Full-Time Students

### REGISTRATION:

Online at [www.apics-gr.org/Events](http://www.apics-gr.org/Events) OR email to: [ApicsGR@yahoo.com](mailto:ApicsGR@yahoo.com)



## 2009-2010 PUBLIC EDUCATION

COURSE	DAY / WEEKS	DATES	COSTS
Strategic Management of Resources (VENUE: IRWIN SEATING 3251 Fruit Ridge Ave NW, Grand Rapids 49544)	Wednesdays/9-weeks	January 28-March 25, 2010	\$515 Member \$620 Non-Member
Basics of Supply Chain Management	Tuesday/9-weeks	March 2-30, April 13-May 4, 2010	\$625 Member \$700 Non-Member
CSCP (Certified Supply Chain Professional)	Thursdays/10-weeks	March 25-May 27, 2010	\$1850 Member \$2150 Non-Member
Detailed Scheduling & Planning	Mondays/9-weeks	April 5-June 7, 2010	\$515 Member \$620 Non-Member

All classes are held at The Pinnacle Center (3330 Highland Drive, Hudsonville) EXCEPT for Strategic Management that will be held at Irwin Seating Company. ALL classes are held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. To register visit the Chapter's web site at: [www.apics-gr.org](http://www.apics-gr.org) and click on "Events" or email to: [ApicsGR@yahoo.com](mailto:ApicsGR@yahoo.com). Reservations MUST be received 4 days PRIOR to the start date to avoid additional materials shipping fees.

## 2009-2010 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

Day/Date	Speaker	Topic	Costs
Wednesday, February 10, 2010	Mary Ellen Mika Steelcase	Sustainability	\$28.00 Member \$35.00 Non-Member \$15.00 Student Members
Wednesday, March 10, 2010	Bill Andrews VP of Manufacturing NetShape International	Lean Core Values	\$28.00 Member \$35.00 Non-Member \$15.00 Student Members
Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at Grand Valley State University-Eberhard Center (401 Fulton, Grand Rapids)	To Be Announced	Supply Chain Management Conference	To Be Announced
April 2010	Tom Vreeman, CEO Kandu Industries	Kandu Industries	\$28.00 Member \$35.00 Non-Member \$15.00 Student Members

All PDM's (Professional Development Meetings) are held at The Pinnacle Center located at 3330 Highland Drive, Hudsonville. Each PDM will begin at 5:00 p.m. with Registration/Networking with Dinner served at 5:45 p.m.

To register on line visit the Chapter's web site at: [www.apics-gr.org](http://www.apics-gr.org) or email us at: [ApicsGR@yahoo.com](mailto:ApicsGR@yahoo.com)



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