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APICS PLATINUM 2009

SAVE THE DATE

April 14, 2010
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2010
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Mary Ellen Mika, Supply Chain Manager, Environment & Energy for Steelcase will present **"Suffering from 'green fatigue'? What sustainability issues matter in supply chain management"** at the Professional Development Meeting (PDM) on Wednesday, February 10th beginning at 5:45 p.m. at The Pinnacle Center (3300 Highland Drive, Hudsonville).

"Suffering from 'Green Fatigue'? What sustainability issues matter in supply chain management?" This presentation will cover:

- You don't need to be a Walmart supplier to be affected by their new sustainability index.
- What will we need to do about climate change after Copenhagen?
- Can we make supply chain improvements to increase savings while reducing waste and emissions?
- How do we make sense of (chemical) data management needs to support sustainability initiatives?

AGENDA:

5-5:45 p.m. Networking/Registration
5:45 p.m. Dinner Served
(Bruschetta Chicken with broccoli/cauliflower/carrot medley and roasted redskin potatoes)
6:45 p.m. Presentation

COSTS:

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

REGISTRATION:

Online at www.apics-gr.org/Events OR email to: ApicsGR@yahoo.com

President's Message....

Last month APICS-Grand Rapids Chapter co-hosted the January PDM with IMA (Institute for Managing Accountants) Grand Rapids Chapter. Co-hosted PDM's are always an interesting event as the opportunities to network with professionals in other areas of supply chain management welcomes much dialogue between the two professions.

This month's PDM features Mary Ellen Mika, Supply Chain Manager for Steelcase. Mary Ellen will provide a riveting presentation of the hot-topic "sustainability" and she will provide valuable insight during her presentation.

The APICS-Grand Rapids Chapter's student chapters will also be venturing out to Downers Grove, IL for the Great Lakes District Student Case Competition. This weekend is an educational event for the student chapters throughout the Great Lakes District. Students will be given a case study that they develop and present to a panel of judges. Scholarship money is always a motivating factor for the students and past competitions have brought over twenty (20) colleges/universities to the event. If you see any of the students from Grand Valley State University, Ferris State University and ITT Technical Institute—Grand Rapids, wish them luck at this year's competition!

Have you gotten your "Basics" out of the way or need a refresher? Basics of Supply Chain Management course will be offered for 9-weeks beginning on March 2nd. This class offers wonderful knowledge and insight to the 'basics' of supply chain management. Make sure you and your co-workers sign up today!

April is looking to be a VERY busy month for the Chapter. The Annual Supply Chain Management Conference will be held on Wednesday, April 14th at Grand Valley State University's Grand Rapids campus. Keep you on the Chapter's web site (www.apics-gr.org) and newsletter for upcoming details of the conference.

The Kandu Industries Plant Tour will be scheduled for Wednesday, April 21st. Speaker, Tom Breeman, CEO for Kandu will present and attendees will tour their facility.

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

I look forward to meeting 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:

- *Aaron Tuggle, SAF Holland*
- *Balaji Venkatesan*

APICS International Conference

SAVE THE DATE!!! This year's International Conference & Expo will be held on October 17-19, 2010 in Nashville, Tennessee. Registration will open in April. Visit Association's web site at: www.apics.org for complete details regarding this year's conference and expo.

2009-2010 Public Education

COURSE	DAY / WEEKS	DATES	COSTS
Strategic Management of Resources (VENUE: IRWIN SEATING 3251 Fruit Ridge Ave NW, Grand Rapids 49544)	Thursdays/9-weeks	February 4-April 1, 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** and click on "Events" or email to: ApicsGR@yahoo.com. Reservations MUST be received 4 days PRIOR to the start date to avoid additional materials shipping fees.

APICS Association Employment Outlook

APICS and University of North Carolina Operations Management Outlook is currently conducting a survey! Share your salary and employer needs views. This survey is a joint research project of APICS and the Cameron School of Business at the University of North Carolina Wilmington.

To view the current survey information, APICS Members: Access this exclusive members-only APICS Operations Management Employment Outlook report now.

The survey is also still available on line at: http://www.apics.org/sitefiles/research/

Did you know that APICS Association has Career Services assistance? Interested in posting your resume and searching current job postings? Looking for Career Development Tools? Visit www.apics.org/Resources/careercenter.

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 21, 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.

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