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April 14, 2010
SUPPLY CHAIN
MANAGEMENT
CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2010 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING PLANT TOUR

Kandu Incorporated, 4190 Sunnyside Drive, Holland, will host the April PDM and Plant Tour on Wednesday, April 21st beginning at 5:45 p.m.

“Developing an Affirmative Business through Singleness of Purpose and Diversity” will be presented by **Tom Vreeman**, CEO of **Kandu Incorporated**.



Tom's presentation will cover:

- Singular Mission with diversity of workforce and outcomes.
- Diversity of customer base and maintaining focus on singular mission.
- Maintaining purpose when both the external customers and internal customers have diverse “cross missions and expectations”
- How seeking diversity is a strength in a challenging/changing economy.

While Kandu may technically be called a nonprofit organization, it has functioned for over 50 years like a business. They produce revenue from their products and services, and pay the bills with those revenues. So Kandu knows what it's like to compete, to grow, to change and to diversify. Really, the only difference between Kandu and any other company is that they are driven not by profit from investors, but by the commitment of putting people to work in our community.

They pay attention to things like quality, speed and cost savings because their business depends on them. Kandu knows your business does too.

If you need [light manufacturing services](#), a [flexible labor supplier](#), or [custodial services](#), we have the resources to support you cost-effectively.

Kandu is a business that helps other businesses compete more effectively. We invite you to learn more by [talking with](#) them or touring their facility. You'll be amazed by the things you can accomplish faster and better with the help of Kandu Incorporated.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE....

Can you believe another Program Year has almost concluded? The Board of Directors will be closing this 2009-2010 Program Year out with plenty of APICS-Grand Rapids Chapter events!

The 7th Annual Midwest Supply Chain Conference will be held at GVSU's Eberhard Center on Wednesday, April 14th beginning at 7:30 a.m.

As in the past, this conference offers a full day of education with this year's theme: Working Together to Drive Business Growth.

April 21st the Chapter will hold its

monthly PDM at Kandu Incorporated in Spring Lake. Kandu Inc. is an amazing corporation and speaker, CEO, Tom Vreeman will share his unique perspectives in leadership and share with you valuable insight during his presentation "Developing an Affirmative Business through Singleness of Purpose and Diversity". Hope you can join us at Kandu for this professional development meeting that includes dinner.

The Grand Rapids Chapter will conclude its program year on May 12th with a lunch meeting and plant tour at Light Corporation. Stay tuned for

the details of this event.

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 tours!

Jody Craig
President 2009-10



APRIL 21, 2010 PDM/TOUR CONTINUED...

Tom Vreeman has been CEO for over 10-years. He has a diverse background of education and work experiences which created the unique experience needed to lead the company which Kandu has become. Tom is a Michigan State University graduate, with graduate studies also completed at MSU leading to an MBA with combined focus in both Marketing and Finance; he also holds a MA degree in Clinical Psychology.

AGENDA:

5-5:45 p.m. Registration

5:45 p.m. Speaker Tom Vreeman, CEO of Kandu Incorporated

6:45 p.m. Tour/Dinner

COSTS:

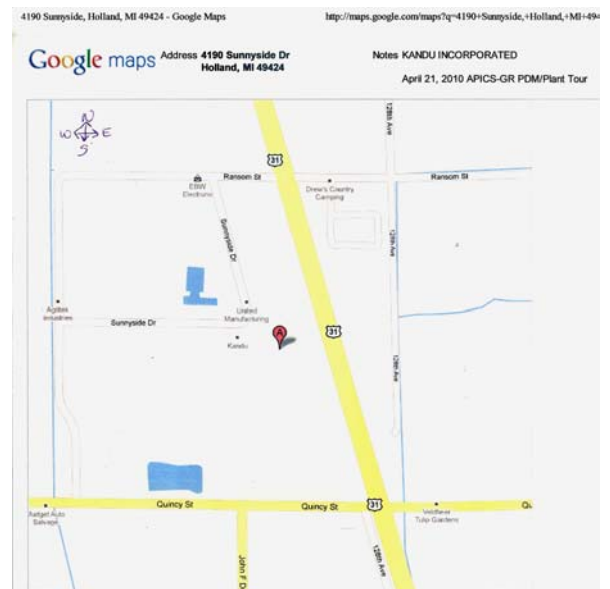
\$ 28.00 Members

\$ 35.00 Non-Members

\$ 15.00 Full-Time Students

REGISTRATION:

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



APICS GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome to APICS-Grand Rapids Chapter the following new members:

- * Zoe Wilson
- * Ryann Simpson
- * Alex Keefe
- * Nadia Truxell
- * Ron Gross, Dupont

APICS ASSOCIATION INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Congratulations to Grand Rapids Chapter Member, Debra L. Smith, CFPIM, CPIRM, CSCP, for being an Association approved instructor to participate in their development program.

Deb is an experienced APICS instructor with many valuable qualities and experiences that enrich her students' experience. The Instructor Development Program takes those experiences into consideration but also accredits Deb's accomplishment to teaching the specific APICS courses within the last two years, and teaching the requisite number of courses within that time frame.

Congratulations, Deb!

7TH ANNUAL MIDWEST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Working Together to Drive Business Growth is this year's theme of the Conference. This conference is a comprehensive supply chain management education and networking event. This year's conference will include leaders from industry, consulting and academia who will share practical experiences in:

- * Recovery
- * Growth
- * Safeguards
- * Future Opportunities

Keynote speakers include:

Rick Matoon, Senior Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and his presentation "The Midwest Regional Economy and Impacts for the Supply Chain."

Kate Vitasek, Faculty, Center for Executive Education, University of Tennessee, Founder, Supply Chain Visions, and her presentation "Vested Outsourcing: Five Rules that Will Transform Outsourcing."

There is still time to register at: www.regonline.com/scmc

2009-2010 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

Day/Date	Speaker	Topic	Costs
Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at Grand Valley State University-Eberhard Center (301 Fulton, Grand Rapids)	Many!!!	Supply Chain Management Conference	\$225.00
Wednesday, April 21, 2010	Tom Vreeman, CEO Kandu Industries	Kandu Industries 4190 Sunnyside Drive Holland MI 49424	\$28.00 Member \$35.00 Non-Member \$15.00 Student Members
Wednesday, May 14, 2010		Light Corporation Plant Tour	

To register on line visit the Chapter's web site at: www.apics-gr.org or email us at: ApicsGR@yahoo.com



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