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### Professional Development Meeting

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

Hosted by PITT OHIO

Where:	PITT OHIO 45 26 <sup>th</sup> Street Pittsburgh, PA 15222 (Strip District)
When:	Wednesday September 14, 2011
RSVP	Required by Friday, September 9, 2011. Reservations: 1 866 MYAPICS (866-692-7427) Ext 105 or e-mail to: <a href="mailto:apics-pgh-pdm@hotmail.com">apics-pgh-pdm@hotmail.com</a> Reservations received after September 9 will be assessed a \$5 late fee. No show reservations will be invoiced for the full cost. Please leave your name, daytime telephone number, and affiliation.
Cost:	\$12 for APICS student chapter members, \$25 for APICS members and \$30 for Visitors.
Agenda	5:30-6:00 P.M. Registration 6:00-7:15 P.M. Program/Tour 7:30-8:30 P.M. Dinner, Networking, Social Conversation, and great door prizes!

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Edward T. Giacchino, CPIM

Welcome back! The past few months have been busy for the officers of your Pittsburgh chapter, as they have been putting together a package of educational classes and formulating Professional Development Meetings for the upcoming year. In August of this year, you received a special edition newsletter detailing course descriptions, dates and times for classes being offered this fall/winter, projected classes for 2011-2012, and where the first Professional Development Meeting will be held. To find out more information about educational offerings and Professional Development Meetings, check us out on the web at [www.apics-pgh.org](http://www.apics-pgh.org).

The Pittsburgh chapter has several experienced certification instructors that will educate you to give you professional strength and to get that competitive edge. If you are interested in taking certification classes or **your company is interested in being a host organization for the CPIM and CSCP exam preparation courses, please contact Jack Martis at 866-692-7427 extension 102 or [jfm2620@comcast.net](mailto:jfm2620@comcast.net).**

In our continuing effort to meet the expectations of our membership, we will once again be sending out our annual survey this fall and again in the spring. Please take the time to respond to this survey, as your comments do matter. We want to hear from you personally as to what you feel will make your chapter work better for you. The membership and marketing teams will work together analyzing your responses to this annual survey, and make recommendations.

Take advantage of the **CAREER LINK** section on our web site [www.apics-pgh.org](http://www.apics-pgh.org). Employers seeking job candidates can post

job openings by sending the job posting to [James.Dobos.wt04@wharton.upenn.edu](mailto:James.Dobos.wt04@wharton.upenn.edu)

Make your reservations now for the **APICS International Conference & Expo** coming to your home town, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania from October 23-25, 2011. This year's theme is **Achieving Sustainable Productivity, meeting customer demand in an unpredictable world**. Don't miss out on this opportunity to attend an exciting educational program and earn maintenance points while doing so! For more information about the International Conference & Expo log on to [www.apics.org](http://www.apics.org).

As always, thank you for being part of the APICS chapter. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 1-866 MY APICS X 100 or [ed.giacchino@timet.com](mailto:ed.giacchino@timet.com)

**“Advancing Productivity, Innovation and Competitive Success”**

## **September 14, 2011 Professional Development Meeting Hosted by PITT OHIO**

For our September PDM, we will be visiting PITT OHIO in Pittsburgh. We have all seen their trucks on the road, and many of our members have used PITT OHIO as their LTL provider of choice. We will now have the opportunity to see how this respected supply chain company has used technology to enhance its planning and performance. Don't miss this unique logistics-focused PDM.



### **About PITT OHIO**

PITT OHIO has used its legacy Less-Than-Truckload (LTL) service in the Mid-Atlantic and Midwest regions as the foundation for what the company is today. In addition to LTL, they have expanded their reach to include supply chain, small package, and truckload needs across North America.

This family-run business has prided itself on the following vision for over 30 years:

*[We] value hard work, respect, commitment and teamwork and our workplace is characterized by the high energy, enthusiasm and effort of our employees who thrive in this positive environment. We are committed to providing our customers with first-rate service, which starts with our employees' commitment and dedication to our enterprise of services.*

PITT OHIO has been consistently recognized as having one of the highest rated safety departments in the industry receiving many awards, including the American Trucking Association's (ATA) President Trophy for operating the safest fleet in the United States.

PITT OHIO's successful journey to evolve into a total transportation solutions provider is based on the growth and contributions of its people, as well as the company's commitment to leveraging the best logistics technologies. Our hosts will share these methods with the Pittsburgh Chapter of APICS in what promises to be an interesting and informative PDM.

### **New Member:**

Shuting Wu  
Gregory Griffith  
Alison Stephanic

Rebecca Hollerman  
Tenneille Patterson  
Ryan Mitchell

Jeff Henry  
Jonathon Bucher

### **Membership Renewals:**

John Harper

Kevin Kilmer CSCP

Ralph Schepp CPIM

Shutao Mi CPIM

Bo Litwiler CSCP

Douglas Sharbaugh CSCP

Jesus Gonzalez CSCP

Laura Miller

Robert Besterman CPIM

John Roth

Leann Goettel

Ki-hyun Park

John Ross

Michael Harnish

Katie Ryan CSCP

Yunbeom Seo CPIM CSCP

Ashley Slater CPIM

Patrick Ross CSCP

Terry Hinton

John Lubic

James McKain

## **Fall/Winter CPIM Class Schedule**

The Pittsburgh Chapter is offering the following CPIM certification classes beginning in November, 2011. Fee schedule for all classes: members - \$450, non-members \$575. Class sessions begin at 5:30 PM and are usually about 3 hours in duration. Class locations will be determined based on geographic concentration of attendees. Major credit cards accepted.

### **Basics of Supply Chain Management**

Dates: Tuesday, November 1, 2011 through January 3, 2012

Instructor: TBD

This is an introductory course for production and inventory management personnel and CPIM candidates. This course provides basic definitions and concepts for planning and controlling the flow of materials into, through, and out of an organization. It explains fundamental relationships among the activities that occur in the supply chain from suppliers to customers. In addition, the course addresses types of manufacturing systems, forecasting, master planning, materials requirement planning (MRP), capacity management, production activity control, purchasing, inventory management, distribution, quality management, and Just-in-Time manufacturing.

### **Master Planning of Resources**

Dates: Tuesday, November 8, 2011 through December 27, 2011

Instructor: TBD

In this course, students explore processes used to develop sales and operations plans, identify and assess internal and external demand and forecasting requirements, and learn the importance of producing achievable master schedules that are consistent with business policies, objectives, and resource constraints. The course focuses on developing and validating a plan of supply, relating management of demand to environment, and developing and validating the master schedule. In addition, the course encompasses concepts for transforming sales, marketing, and business requirements into a feasible and economic operations plan in various business environments. It also addresses concepts and methodologies for managing projected and actual demands from distribution networks and external customers. Finally, the course presents methods for integrating sales and operations plans, demand forecasts, and customer demand into a specific master schedule.

### **Detailed Scheduling and Planning**

Dates: Thursday, November 3, 2011 through January 5, 2012

Instructor: TBD

This course, which focuses on material and capacity planning, includes a detailed explanation of materials requirements planning. The course also covers material-dominated scheduling --a material planning technique that is applicable to process industries and other mature production environments. The course explains capacity requirements planning in detail and introduces other capacity planning techniques, including processor dominated scheduling.

### **Execution and Control of Operations**

Dates: Thursday, November 3, 2011 through January 5, 2012

Instructor: TBD

This course focuses on three main areas: prioritizing and sequencing work; executing work plans, implementing controls, and reporting activity results; and evaluating and providing feedback on performance. The course explains techniques for scheduling and controlling production and process operations. It also addresses the execution of quality initiatives and continuous improvement plans, as well as the control and handling of inventories. Finally, the course presents techniques for evaluating performance and collecting data for effective feedback.

### **Strategic Management of Resources**

Dates: Tuesday, November 8, 2011 through January 3, 2012

Instructor: TBD

In this course, students explore the relationship of existing and emerging processes and technologies to manufacturing strategy and supply-chain-related functions. The course addresses three main topics: aligning resources with the strategic plan, configuring and integrating operating processes to support the strategic plan, and implementing change.

### **Certified Supply Chain Professional**

#### **CSCP Exam Preparation Class**

Location: TBD

Dates: Thursday, September 29 through December 8 at 5:30 PM

Instructor: Jack Martis

The APICS CSCP brings your company's entire value chain into perspective. By giving you a truly end-to-end view of the supply chain, you become the expert, not just within your organization's walls-you become the global expert. From manufacturing to service, in business and consumer markets, the increasingly important role of effective supply chain management affects all organizations. Customer expectations are high-with the APICS CSCP, you can ensure that your company not only meets, but exceeds them. Cost: Members - \$1,600, Non-members - \$1,900.

To register for any of these courses, please contact Jack Martis at 1-866-MY-APICS or 724-331-0866 or email to [jfm2620@comcast.net](mailto:jfm2620@comcast.net).

## Survey Result Comments from the VP of Membership

The results from last year's final survey are in and I would like to thank all of the members who responded to our end of year survey. Your input will help the board with our strategic planning session. With your influence our direction will be set for the next few years.

Thanks again,

CJ Connelly  
VP Membership

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### **Driving Directions to PITT OHIO at 45 26th Street, Pittsburgh, PA**

#### From West of Pittsburgh

Take I-376 E (Parkway West, eastbound) through the Fort-Pitt Tunnel. After crossing the Fort Pitt Bridge, take Exit 6C toward the Convention Center / Strip District. Merge onto the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Bypass and continue for 0.5 mile. Continue onto 11<sup>th</sup> Street for 0.3 mile before turning left onto Smallman Street. Follow Smallman for 1 mile and turn left onto 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### From East of Pittsburgh

From I-376 W (Parkway East, westbound), take Exit 71B to merge onto 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Continue 0.5 mile, and take a right onto Ross Street, followed by a quick left onto Court Pl. Take the first right onto Grant Street, and continue 0.5 mile. Continue onto Liberty Avenue, for 1.1 mile. Turn left onto 26<sup>th</sup> Street.