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# APICS Pittsburgh Chapter #31 Newsletter

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## C.J. Connelly (1944 - 2015)



It is with great sadness we report that CJ Connelly (long standing APICS Pittsburgh Chapter officer) has lost his battle with cancer.

CJ joined APICS in 1988 and was a strong supporter and voice of APICS. He faithfully attended District meetings (no matter what city!); a Pittsburgh Chapter officer from 1998 to present; on Region 3 staff 2001-2008; and the first Mid Atlantic District Manager (2008 through 2009).

Dear Paul,

Here is the latest from the APICS Pittsburgh Chapter!

## President's Message

September 9th will start the program season this year at the Rivertowne Pour House in Monroeville. The event will be a little different than our normal location tours in that there will not be a tour but we will have a presentation from the brew master. We are using this as a kickoff for the season and will provide ample opportunity for the membership to socialize. We will also use this event to introduce the Pittsburgh Chapter Board members in attendance



The Pittsburgh Chapter will continue with its green initiative by providing the newsletter electronically. Please watch the website for changes or updates to the PDM schedule. <http://apics-pgh.org/>

It is with great sadness that I inform the membership that a longtime APICS member, Chapter President, and former District Manager has passed. C.J. Connelly, 71, of Moon Twp. passed away in his home, surrounded by his family on Sunday August 16, 2015 after a courageous battle with cancer. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: APICS Scholarship Fund, Pittsburgh Chapter #31, PO BOX 3463, Pittsburgh PA 15230. The full obituary can be viewed at [www.huntsmanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.huntsmanfuneralhomes.com).

APICS 2015 international conference is scheduled for October 4-7 in Las Vegas. Early registration has ended but you can still register using the following link. <http://www.apics.org/events-landing-page-2015/2014/10/31/apics-2015>. I look forward to seeing other Pittsburgh Chapter members at the conference.

# Join us!

## Professional Development Meeting

Wednesday, September 9th 2015

Hosted by:

Pittsburgh Chapter

[Register now!](#)

Where:	Rivertowne Pour House 312 Center Rd, Monroeville, PA 15146
When:	Wednesday, September 9 <sup>th</sup> 2015 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM Registration
RSVP	Constant Contact E-mail Response Required by Monday September 7th 2015. If no invitation was received call 1 866 MYAPICS or (866-692-7427) Ext 105 or e-mail to: <a href="mailto:APICS.Pittsburgh@gmail.com">APICS.Pittsburgh@gmail.com</a> Please include your name, daytime telephone number, type of Membership, and your Company affiliation.
Notice	No show reservations and cancellations received after noon on Monday will be invoiced for the full cost.
Cost:	\$10 for APICS student chapter members \$25 for APICS members \$30 for Visitors
Agenda	<b>6:00 - 6:30</b> Registration <b>6:30 - 7:00</b> <i>Presentation by the Rivertowne Pour House Brew Master</i> <b>7:00 - 8:30</b> Dinner, socialize and meet the Pittsburgh Chapter Board members  <b>Cost of appetizers and dinner are included in the meeting fee... beer is on</b>

Let us know how we can improve. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 1-866 MY APICS extension 100 or [thomassbrown@eaton.com](mailto:thomassbrown@eaton.com).

## Education

### APICS Pittsburgh Chapter Upcoming Class Schedule

#### CSCP Exam Preparation Class

Dates: September 3 - November 12, 2015

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Location: Eaton Corporation, Moon Township, PA

Instructors: Jack Martis/Jim Arena

#### CSCP Exam Preparation Class

Dates: September 3 - November 12, 2015

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Location: Greensburg/New Stanton area

Instructor: Jim Dobos

#### Strategic Management of Resources

Dates: September 8 - October 27, 2015

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Location: Eaton Corporation, Moon Township, PA

Instructor: Kevin Kilmer

#### Master Planning of Resources

Dates: September 10 - October 29, 2015

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Location: Bayer HealthCare, Indianola, PA

Instructor: Oda Bolden

#### Detailed Scheduling and Planning

Dates: September 17, October 1, October 15, 2015 (3 full day sessions)

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: MSA Safety, Murrysville, PA

Instructor: Jim Dobos

#### Master Planning of Resources

Dates: September 29 - November 17, 2015

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Location: Eaton Corporation, Moon Township, PA

Instructor: Jack Martis

#### Execution and Control of Operations

##### *Special Pricing Applies*

Dates: Friday, October 2 through October 16, 2015 (3 full day sessions)

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: NWIRC, Meadville, PA

Instructor: Jack Martis

**your own!**

**Basics of Supply Chain Management**

Dates: November 5, 2015 - January 28, 2016  
Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM  
Location: Bayer HealthCare, Indianola, PA  
Instructor: Oda Bolden

**Strategic Management of Resources**

**Special Pricing Applies**

Dates: Friday, December 4 through December 18, 2015 (3 full day sessions)  
Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Location: NWIRC, Meadville, PA  
Instructor: Jack Martis

**CPIM class fees are \$500 for APICS members, \$625 for non-members. CSCP class fee is \$1,600 for APICS members, \$1,900 for non-members.**

If you are interested in any of these classes and have not already registered, please contact Jack Martis at [jfm2620@comcast.net](mailto:jfm2620@comcast.net) or call at 1-866-MY-APICS x102 or 724-331-0866. Also, we are always looking for organizations to host classes. If you're interested in bringing APICS education directly to your employee base, please contact me directly.

**Pitt Center for Supply Chain Management Breakfast Event - September 18**

Announcing the next Breakfast Networking and Informational Event, which is being organized by the Center for Supply Chain Management at the University of Pittsburgh.

The program will be a case study presentation on reverse logistics by Herb Shear, former executive chairman and CEO of GENCO, and Matt Peterson, supply chain director at Dell, Inc. The event is scheduled for Friday, September 18th from 7:00 am to 9:15 am at Alumni Hall, University of Pittsburgh. As in the last event, the first hour would be reserved for registration and networking.

For more information and to register for the event, please access the following link:  
<http://www.business.pitt.edu/katz/breakfast-speaker-series>

**Top ten reasons to host an "Introduction to Supply Chain Management" class at your organization:**

**10.** If you have new supply chain employees (and you know you do!), this is an excellent way to introduce and/or reinforce

**Current Membership**

APICS Pittsburgh Chapter:  
**371** members

**New Members:**

Fahad Algarni  
Jane Wagner Byroad  
Nicholas Delmonaco  
April Gulyard  
Tanner Gump  
Jacqueline Swiatek  
Marian Vendemia

**Renewals:**

Howard Bear  
Dolores Bendel  
Thomas Braund CPIM  
Michael Hess  
Malinda Hoffman CPIM  
Cynthia Koustis  
Mary Loera CPIM  
Ryan McConnell  
Sheri McKenna CPIM  
Joseph Sadaka  
Lance Sager  
Joseph Slater  
Vince Slaugh

APICS membership update: June membership totals came in at 42,676. New members totaled 1,377 and new student members totaled 241

**About APICS 2015**

APICS 2015 is the premier event for supply chain and operations management professionals.

Supply chain and operations management professionals are expected to achieve maximum productivity, meet consumer demand, and remain agile amid instability and unpredictability. Each year, the APICS annual

conference offers relevant education, best practices, and thought leadership to help attendees lead their organizations and reach these goals.

Attend APICS 2015 to

- ADVANCE your knowledge with best practices to create more sustainable, resilient, strategic, and value-driven supply chains.
- ADVANCE your career by networking with professionals who are shaping the future of supply chain and operations management.
- ADVANCE your company by gaining innovative solutions and applying them in your organization.

APICS 2015 will attract more than 2,000 attendees from 40 countries, offering a vast range of learning and networking opportunities.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR UPCOMING APICS EVENTS IN 2015



### [APICS 2015](#)

October 5-7, 2015 | Las Vegas, Nevada  
*(If you need help convincing your boss to go to APICS 2015, try [this!](#))*

**[Principles and Practices of MRP - Chicago](#)** September 7, 2015 | Chicago, IL  
**[Principles and Practices of Demand Management - Chicago](#)** October 22, 2015 | Chicago, IL  
**[Supply Chain Risk Management - Dubai](#)** 18 November 2015 | Dubai, United Arab Emirates

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the concept of the integrated supply chain.

9. It provides training that is focused on the planning and execution processes that drive your daily operating environment.
8. It's a great introduction to the APICS Operations Management Body of Knowledge.
7. It can be customized to your organization's issues, challenges and training needs.
6. It provides attendees with a common supply chain vocabulary, which will make communication easier and more efficient.
5. CPIM or CSCP certified attendees earn points toward their maintenance requirement.
4. It's extremely cost efficient - 10 people can attend for only \$2,500, additional attendees at \$200 each (Pricing effective through December 31, 2015).
3. It's extremely time efficient - it only takes one day from your busy schedule.
2. All attendees receive a participant workbook that will be a valuable reference going forward.
1. How about those GREAT bags!!!

## Professional Development

### 2015 Professional Development Meeting Schedule

You can register for future PDMs by clicking on the highlighted Presentation information.

September 9, 2015	Rivertowne Pour House	Monroeville, PA	<a href="#">Presentation by the Brew Master</a>
October 14, 2015	Eaton Crouse-Hinds	Washington, PA	<a href="#">Presentation and tour</a>
November 11, 2015	TBD		
December	No PDM due to the holidays		

## Membership

## Reminder:

Just a reminder from the Pittsburgh Chapter Board of Directors regarding the policy on providing past PDM attendance confirmation evidence for the membership.

*It has and will continue to be the responsibility of the attendee to keep proof of their attendance to PDMs. We (Pittsburgh Chapter APICS) offer receipts at the door and email confirmations during registration that should be acceptable. We (Pittsburgh Chapter APICS) are not unique, other professional organizations such as PMI also puts the recording of attendance on the attendee. We (Pittsburgh Chapter APICS) really do not have an easy process to see if the member paid or how. That would be a manually intensive process.*



Chapter Management Excellence is an integral component to enhancing the member experience. Successful APICS chapters provide their members with opportunities for stellar education, career development, and networking.

The APICS Chapter Benchmarking and Recognition (CBAR) program recognizes chapters that have exceeded minimum standards and exemplify excellence in overall chapter management. We are proud to announce the APICS Pittsburgh Chapter received the 2014 CBAR Platinum Award designation, an admirable accomplishment for an APICS chapter.

As a member of an APICS Platinum Award Winning Chapter, the CBAR designation signifies your chapter's commitment to providing an exceptional membership experience.

## Member Appreciation December 2015

In December we are holding a "Member Appreciation" event.

This event will center on the topic of "Enhancing your Personal Network within APICS Membership". The purpose is to help our members:

- develop peer and mentor relationships
- develop contacts for job search campaigns
- help Chapter member organizations find talent
- provide educational resources
- provide support to help you take charge of your Operations and Supply Chain career

The program will include a panel discussion consisting of perspectives New Members, Hiring Managers, Job Seekers (Both Student and Experienced), and APICS and University instructors.

We will be joined by two partner organization, PAPEN (Pennsylvania Professional Employment Network) North and South Pittsburgh Chapters, who have resources and tools for developing your job search networking skills.

This is an invitation to participate in shaping your local Chapter's resources for networking and thereby increasing the value of your membership.

Dinner will be provided as well as the ability to meet and network with other Chapter members.

## Networking Opportunity

### PAPEN

PA Professional Employment Network  
Serving the Western PA (USA) Region since 1994

### Meetings every Monday

**PAPEN North**  
Hampton Presbyterian Church,  
2942 East Hardies Road  
Gibsonia, PA 15044  
**9:30-11:30 AM**

**PAPEN South**  
Westminster Presbyterian Church  
2040 Washington Road - Dining Hall  
Pittsburgh, PA 15241



## Quick Links

[APICS Pittsburgh](#)

[Education Classes](#)

[Job Postings](#)

**7:00-9:00 PM**

[Check out their Calendar of events.](#)

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