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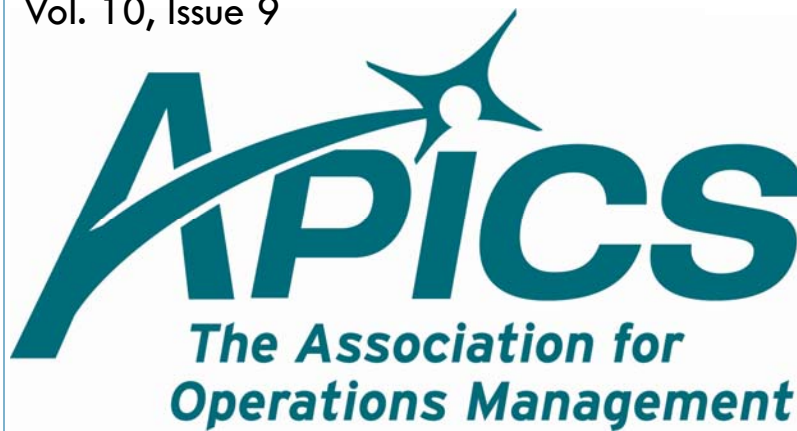
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## June PDM & Joint Meeting

### The St. Louis Business Climate Featuring: Vincent Schoemehl, former Mayor of St. Louis



The June 2010 Professional Development Meeting (PDM) is our joint society session with several professional societies in St. Louis including the St. Louis Chapter of the American Society for Quality (ASQ). The speaker will be Vincent C. Schoemehl, Jr and he will present the state of the current St. Louis economic business climate and its future direction.

**Mr. Schoemehl** is President and CEO of Grand Center, Inc., a not-for-profit organization charged with restoring the Grand Avenue District of St. Louis as the premiere arts and entertainment district in St. Louis. Since joining Grand Center in 2001, Schoemehl's accomplishments include increasing charitable funding, focusing on redevelopment, creating a special tax district to provide more funding for security and cleanliness programs, and supervising the completion of major investment projects. Prior to Grand Center, Inc., Schoemehl was Chairman & CEO for Quadrex Corporation. He has also worked at several energy companies including New Millennium Energies, LLC Company, where he was Founder. From 1981 to 1993, Schoemehl served as Mayor for the City of St. Louis where he took a leading role in organizing and implementing a light rail transit program for the St. Louis region. His work included structuring financing for planning and for matching fund requirements. He was awarded doctorate degrees from Saint Louis University, University of Missouri - St. Louis, Fontbonne University, Southeast Missouri State College, and the Aquinas Institute of Theology. Schoemehl also holds a Bachelors of Arts Degree in History from the University of Missouri - St. Louis.

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## Chapter Message

**By: Bob Bielecki, CPIM, CSCP, CPM President**

### Year in Review

It has been a very productive year for the St. Louis Chapter. Let's take a look back at the highlights:

**LinkedIn** – We kicked off the social media \ networking late last summer, by November we had over 200 members and have grown to be one of the largest local APICS chapters on the site. This enables our members to connect on a real time basis.

We conducted a one day seminar on interviewing skills – free to our members between jobs

**Marketing** – We started our first radio campaign. We ran spots daily on KDHX promoting our CPIM classes and our PDM's

**Educational Offerings** – We signed a 2 year agreement with LMI Aerospace to provide APICS CPIM training. The classes started in January and are open to the public. We began offering classes at both St. Louis and St Charles Community Colleges. We purchased a license from Datachem to provide our students with a question engine to help them prepare for CPIM exams.

We continued to conduct CSCP classes with success.

**Joint Meetings** – We expanded our joint meetings by collaborating with ISM- St. Louis. We had a very large turnout – over 125 people. In June we will hold our joint meeting with ASQ – I am sure it will be a complete success.

**Website** – We are extremely proud of our new website which was launched in April 2010. The site provides mem-

bers with on-line reservations access for PDM and classes. Members are able to update their profile for meal preferences. We are able to upload the current membership directly from the APICS national site to ensure our membership records are up-to date. The site also serves as a repository for APICS records such a BOD meeting minutes and our current C-Bar.

**Workforce Investment** – We were approved by the State of Missouri to have our CPIM classes covered under the Workforce Investment Act. This enables our members between jobs to apply for State aid to upgrade their skills by becoming CPIM certified.

**Job Board** – we expanded our Job Board we now have an average of 15 postings that relate to Operations Management.

Finally, I would like to thank all of our members for their support this year – remember it is all about you – the BOD is here to serve!

Thanks – **HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**



### PDM & Joint Meeting

#### Date:

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

#### Schedule:

5:15—6:15 p.m.  
Open Networking  
5:30 p.m.:

Check-In starts

6:15 p.m.:

Program, followed by dinner

#### Cost:

\$25 (Members)  
\$30 (Non-members)

#### Location:

Sheraton – Westport  
Lakeside Chalet

#### Reservations:

e-mail:

[reservations@apics-stlouis.com](mailto:reservations@apics-stlouis.com) or call Karen at 636-343-8877

Reservations due by 5:00 pm on Thursday, June 10, 2010.

*Reservations and cancellations will not be accepted after the deadline. Reservations not cancelled will be billed.*



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## APICS Communications — A Season of Challenge

**By: Theresa Scully, CPIM, CSCP, CPM**  
**Vice President — Communications**

During the course of our 2009 – 2010 season, we have been faced with many challenges. For our St. Louis APICS Chapter, challenge presented itself with the implementation of many new applications, from our website, to LinkedIn, and educational classes in new locations. For some of our members, challenge came in the form of unemployment, revised work schedules, reduced wages and benefits, and an unsettledness. For others, challenge was presented from the overall state of our economy and wondering when things will recover and regain the sense of 'normal'. Challenge also faced our world with war, natural disasters, economic downturn and the devastation that brings to so many lives.

Before you reach for the liquor bottle and antidepressants, the great thing about what we do and what we know is that Operations Management is code for resolving challenges. We are in the middle of everything! With our knowledge, skills, and creativeness we can offer so-

lutions to some of the toughest challenges our chapter, our state, our country and even our world is facing. Challenges all have at least one thing in common – the need for communication.

For our local chapter, communication has been a focused area of improvement over the past year. The implementation of our new chapter website was completed with the intent to putting as much information at our member's fingertips. LinkedIn APICS-St Louis was developed to get information out quickly to our membership. Communication is power and your board of directors are focusing on how to get you these vital links to assist you in resolving whatever your challenges are.

The Bible states, "...the wise seek the wise...". Your local APICS chapter is a pool of knowledge that is here for you. We all have challenges. We all are involved in some form in Operations Management. Let's use our monthly meetings and communication tools available to share with each other and bring solutions to light that will resolve our challenges. Won't you come be a part of the resolution? I hope to see you at our June meeting.



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

*(pictured at left) Theresa Scully received the Volunteer of the Year Award at the May PDM. Joe Witkowski received the Educator of the Year Award (not pictured.)*

**Excellence in  
the New Normal**

**2010 APICS  
International  
Conference & Expo**

**October 17-19, 2010  
Nashville, Tennessee, USA**

**Best Practices for  
Global Supply Chain  
and Operations  
Management**

Registration opens in April.



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## CPIM Recertification Announcement

APICS announced a new certification product known as the APICS CPIM Recertification Exam. The APICS CPIM Recertification Exam provides an opportunity to individuals whose CPIM credentials have expired. Instead of taking all five CPIM exams again, expired candidates can renew their certification by taking only one exam.

### Recertification Program Introduction

In this competitive job market, it is more important than ever for individuals to have APICS certification. This program has been developed as a service to our members.

A new certification product, the APICS Certified Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) Recertification Exam, is being developed to help designees re-certify. Candidates with expired CPIM designations can renew their certification by taking only one exam. This is a limited time offer and will not be positioned as an alternative to certification maintenance.

### About the Exam

Exam consists of 120 multiple choice items Includes 30 questions from each of the following exams:

- Detailed Scheduling and Planning (DSP)
- Master Planning of Resources (MPR)
- Execution and Control of Operations (ECO)
- Strategic Management of Resources (SMR)

- No un-scored items
- Three hour duration
- Scheduled to launch in October at APICS Conference
- Available only through December 31, 2011

### Exam Delivery

- Available via CBT throughout North America and paper-and-pencil testing outside North America
- Recertification exam dates for 2010 and 2011 will be posted in second quarter
- Computer-based testing will be available on-demand
- Group testing will not be available

### Who Qualifies?

- Available to individuals whose CPIM credentials have expired and can only re-certify by taking all five CPIM exams again
- Provides candidates with a one time opportunity to demonstrate they still have mastery of the knowledge required to be a CPIM
- Candidates must take the exam before December 31, 2011

### Eligibility and Cost

- Candidates will be required to go through an eligibility process that will verify they were previously certified.
- Applications will be reviewed and candidates will be notified if they qualify.
- Once their application is approved they will be able to register online or by phone with Pearson VUE.
- There is a non-refundable application fee of \$150.
- The cost of the exam is \$425 for members and \$575 for nonmembers. There is an exam retake fee of \$350.

### How to Prepare

- The exam content outline as defined in the 2010 APICS CPIM Exam Content Manual (ECM) for each of the APICS CPIM modules included will apply to the re-certification exam.
- APICS and Datachem will develop a skill gap assessment tool to determine an individual's strengths and weaknesses to assist with exam preparation (available June or July of 2010).
- Study Notes Series by Brian Wilcox will also be a helpful resource.

### Certification Maintenance

- Once an individual passes the exam, their APICS CPIM certified date will be reset.
- Their new maintenance deadline will be five years from the exam date.
- Individuals with expired Certified Fellow Production and Inventory Management (CFPIM) credentials must re-apply using the established CFPIM application process once their CPIM is reinstated which can be located at the following URL:

[http://www.apics.org/NR/rdonlyres/6D4755DF-984F-450D-9FA2-C0BF04A84E7C/0/09\\_CFPIM\\_Application.pdf](http://www.apics.org/NR/rdonlyres/6D4755DF-984F-450D-9FA2-C0BF04A84E7C/0/09_CFPIM_Application.pdf)

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**David Allen  
Kraft**

**Christy Gallentine**

**Sherry Kee**

**Robert Lingner**

**Don Murr**

**Deepak Paluru  
Laird Technologies**

**Nyla Schneider**

## APICS THE ASSOCIATION FOR OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

### APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

#### On-Line

Visit the St. Louis Chapter web site at [www.apics-stlouis.com](http://www.apics-stlouis.com)

or

Visit APICS National's web page – [www.apics.org](http://www.apics.org) - click on "Join online today."

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Call APICS Customer Service at (800) 444-2742 or (703) 354-8851, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., EST, Monday through Friday, and have your credit card ready.



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<b>FOR THE RECORD:</b>		<b>May, 2010 PDM Ratings &amp; Attendees (Scale = 4.0)</b>		<b>Speaker</b>	<b>3.27</b>
				<b>Subject</b>	<b>3.18</b>
				<b>Facilities</b>	<b>3.45</b>
				<b>Food</b>	<b>3.55</b>
<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Organization Name</b>			
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BOB	BIELECKI	NORDYNE			
LINDA	BLACKBURN	SIGMA ALDRICH			
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AL	DOWNS	SUNNEN PRODUCTS CO			
JAY	FURNER				
SUE	HITES	RESOURCES GLOBAL			
SHARON	HOLDENREID	JACKSON SAFETY			
JENNIFER	HUGHES	SIGMA ALDRICH			
CHRISTOPHER	JOHNSON	SIGMA ALDRICH			
CARLA	JOHNSON	COVIDIEN			
KELLY	KING	CAREFUSION			
JIM	KIRKWOOD	CAREFUSION			
ROBERT	LINGNER	ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT			
WILLIAM	LLOYD				
SHEILA	LOVELAND	NESTLE PURINA			
ABEL	LOYA	COVIDIEN			
TIM	MCLAUGHLIN	BUNZL			
JEFFREY	MUDD				
RICHARD	PHILLIPS	DAZOR MFG			
PHIL	PRICE	BASF			
MISTY	REDWINE				
CHERYL	SAPP	CAREFUSION			
MIKE	SCHMITT	INTUITIVE MFG			
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RHONDA	SHURTLEFF				
JEFFREY	SPARKS	RUBIN BROWN			
JOHN	VERLAUTZ	AESCULAP			
RHONDA	WHALEN	SIGMA ALDRICH			
DAVID	WIDDER	COVIDIEN			
BILL	WILLIS				
JOE	WITKOWSKI	DR PEPPER SNAPPLE GROUP			
KAREN	ZUMWALT	JACKSON SAFETY			



*Carla Johnson accepts the Company of the Year Award on behalf of Covidien at the May PDM.*

#### **APICS CSCP July/August CBT Exam Registration**

Earning the APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) designation is the first step to enhancing employment marketability. Don't miss the next opportunity to become an APICS-certified professional by registering for the July/August APICS CSCP computer-based testing (CBT) exam and start gaining benefits.

The APICS CSCP CBT exam window is **July 3–August 7, 2010**. For more information, including the application, registration processes, testing locations, and exam dates, visit [apics.org/cscp](http://apics.org/cscp).

#### **CPIM Certification Classes**

Registration for the Fall, 2010 Certification Classes at St. Louis Community College at Meramec and St. Charles Community College is available on the web site.

[www.apics-stlouis.com](http://www.apics-stlouis.com)



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