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JANUARY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

OPERATIONAL ADVANTAGES TO DIVERSITY & INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN MANUFACTURING AND LOGISTICS

As operations managers you are faced with constant pressure to find efficiencies, reduce risk, eliminate processing errors, and manage costs. Although many facilities are continuously advancing their technology and automation, there is still a limit to the positive impacts of these improvements. Even with advanced systems the impacts of turnover and subpar employee performance or unskilled workers cannot be eliminated. Many organizations are finding that although applicants aren't hard to find, dedicated and skilled employees are.

On Thursday, Jan. 10th, at APICS's Monthly Dinner Program we hope to uncover new ideas in bridging the skills gap, and ultimately help you explore alternative options to control your operations costs.

Please join us for an insightful panel discussion about the positive and sometimes unexpected benefits that can be realized in your operations by adopting diversity and inclusion within your operations. We are excited to welcome an expert panel who will share experiences and examples of the successes and challenges

they have encountered in creating opportunities for disadvantaged workers while concurrently helping companies improve production, accuracy, and costs.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Melanie Wells

BOSMA, *Employment Services Manager*

Curtiss Quirin

Crossroads Industrial Services, *Chief Operating Officer*

Jim Humphrey

Goodwill Industries, *VP of Commercial Services*

Moderator: Jack Pomprowitz, Board Member, Diversity Round Table of Central Indiana

PDM MEETING INFORMATION

Date/Time	Thursday, January 10th, 2013
5:30 pm	Registration—Networking; 6:15 pm Dinner Served
7:00 pm	Dinner & Speaker (cash bar and complimentary coffee will be available)
Location	The Mansion at Oak Hill 5801 East 116th Street, Carmel, IN 46033
Pricing	\$30 Members; \$40 Non-members; \$20 Students
Registration	Register online at www.apics-cind.org

We will also be holding roundtable discussions on various Risk Management topics, and giving away a networking prize. We look forward to seeing you there!



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Central Indiana Chapter



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BY Jim Conner, CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Is 2013 GOING TO BE BETTER THAN 2012?

Seems like this question gets asked most every year- at least during troubling economic times. In our December Professional Development

Meeting, our speaker Gerry Dick, spoke about many potential economic development opportunities in Indiana in the coming year. Will these opportunities help Indiana turn the corner to economic prosperity in 2013 or will this be a year of single digit growth or will Washington's inability to balance the budget drag down the 2013 economy. Like most of the people in this country and around the world, I do not have the answer to that question. Even the most famous politicians, financial and economic gurus are unsure of the future. I've have heard many smart people say "Don't miss opportunities that come your way by worrying about things you can't control." So if I can't control the economy, what can I worry about that will help me catch the opportunities when they do arise?

At the APICS-Central Indiana Chapter, we do offer many benefits that you may be able to turn into opportunities. These include-

- **Education:** *On-Line resources, local trainings, networking, award winning publications, Bookstore.*
- **Certification Programs:** *CPIM, CSCP*
- **Career Center**
- **National Professional Affiliations:** *Aberdeen Research, AMA Business and Management training, Affinity Program*
- **Indiana Alliance of Professional Societies**
- **Platinum Level Central Indiana Chapter with monthly Professional Development Meetings, company tours and seminars.**

We also have a new addition for our 2013 curriculum which will enhance our educational offerings:

- **Fundamentals** - A five module program designed for people working in the fields of Materials and/or Operations Management who need to learn the basic concepts, techniques, and languages of these disciplines. Completion of this program will greatly improve the participant's knowledge of Materials and Operations Management; knowledge that can be used in the working environment. These practical courses are based on a solid body of know ledge that has evolved over the past century.

There is also one particular benefit that can be extremely helpful in the times we are living and that can make the difference in somebody's life. This benefit is called-

Unemployed Member Benefit Extension Program.

To participate in the program you will need to fill out a form that is available on the APICS Corporate website, meet the criteria and follow the instructions. The form must be signed by the member and approved by the member's chapter president. If, at the time of billing, the member is unemployed and actively seeking work within the APICS business sector, his/her membership may be extended for a six-month period at no cost. The member may apply for the extension through the local chapter, which must approve the request and waive the chapter dues assessment. If the member remains unemployed at the end of the extension period, he/she may apply for an additional extension. Total extensions will be limited to three for a total of 18 months membership without assessed fees.

I hope to see you at upcoming Chapter Professional Development Meetings, Tours or Education classes. We are also always looking for volunteers for our Board of Directors. This is another great opportunity to improve your skills.

Here's to a great 2013.

Jim



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2 current jobs posted!

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The Central Indiana Chapter welcomes the following new professional members:

Ling Zhang
Cullen Miller

Jill Stout
Ryan Shaw

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Tammy Lantz, CPIM - VP Membership

2013 Education Opportunities – CPIM

Members: \$500
Non-Members: \$550
Late Fee: \$100

Date	Description	Location
Jan 19, Sat 8a	Basics of Supply Chain Management Fast Track Meets 1/19, 1/26 and 2/6; Registration Deadline: 1/10/2013	University of Indianapolis
Feb 23, Sat 8a	Master Planning of Resources Fast Track Meets 2/23 and 3/2; Registration Deadline: 2/14/2013	University of Indianapolis
Mar 23, Sat 8a	Detail Scheduling and Planning Fast Track Meets 3/23 and 4/6; Registration Deadline: 3/14/2013	University of Indianapolis

http://www.apics-cind.org/education/apics_educ_signup.aspx?PROG=CPIM

2013 Education Opportunities – CSCP

Members: \$1,250
Non-Members: \$1,500
Late Fee: \$100

Date	Description	Location
Mar 9, Sat 8a	CSCP Review Class Meets 3/9, 3/16, 3/23; Registration Deadline 2/7/2013	University of Indianapolis

http://www.apics-cind.org/education/apics_educ_signup.aspx?PROG=CSCP

2013 Professional Development Meetings

Date	Title	Presenter/ Sponsor	Location
January 10, 2013	Operational Advantages to Diversity & Inclusion Programs In Manufacturing and Logistics	Melanie Wells, BOSMA Enterprises Curtiss Quirin, Crossroads Industrial Services Jim Humphrey, Goodwill Commercial Services	Mansion at Oak Hill
February 12, 2013	TBD	TBD	Mansion at Oak Hill
March 14, 2013	TBD	TBD	TBD

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ADMISSION:

Members: \$30.00
Non-Members: \$40.00
Students: \$20.00

SIGN-UP:

5:30 p.m.



Upcoming Events:

January Professional Development Meeting

(January 10th , 2013) — **Location:** The Mansion at Oak Hill,
Carmel Fishers
Time: 5:30 pm

January Board of Directors Meeting

(January 23rd , 2013) — **Location:** The Mansion at Oak Hill,
APICS Training Office, Castleton
Time: 6:00 pm

http://www.apics-cind.org/events/100_538001.aspx?PROG=SMNR

18th Annual Great Lakes District Student Case Competition

(February 22-23 , 2013) — **Location:** Double-Tree Hotel &
Conference Center,
Downer's Grove, IL
Time: TBA

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