



BLUEGRASS CHAPTER

NEWSLETTER



APRIL 2009
Edition

The PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

For our last two meetings this year, we have tours scheduled at Link-Belt in April and Gall's in May. They are located right across Palumbo Drive from each other. If you can find one you should be able to find the other. The Link-Belt tour will be on Thursday, April 16. This is not our usual night and we will be joining NAPM. I toured Link-Belt over 10 years ago and was impressed by the operation. I understand there have been a number of changes since then. I am sure the tour will be well worth your time.

If you were not at our March meeting, you missed an outstanding presentation. Michael Ford was able to open up some different perspectives. He used the term "purple bird" to describe the concept that if we can imagine something, then we can make it happen. For those of you who missed him, hopefully we can get him back here sometime in the future.

We will be holding elections for the new board of directors at the April meeting and they will be installed in May. While we have a good board of directors lined up for next year, we can always use more help. We have a lot of fun, but it is also an opportunity for professional growth. I have made a number of connections and even developed friendships because of contacts I made through APICS.

I have a friend from China who is teaching at Lorain County Community College this year. I met her last year when I was teaching at her university in Changsha. I brought her to Lexington last week to show her the local sights. We had a wonderful time visiting Keeneland, Shaker village and other local destinations. I had seen them all before, but they were new to her. Life is a journey and an adventure. Make sure that you take a little time to enjoy each day and appreciate the gift you have. I look forward to seeing you at the tour.

Dave Magee, CPIM CIRM CSCP President, APICS Bluegrass Chapter President

Welcome!
Newest Member:
Travis J. Ramsey

Thursday, April 16th PDM / Plant Tour

(Professional Development Meeting)

Link-Belt Construction Equipment Company, Lexington



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April PDM / Tour

2009-10 Board Election

Plan to Attend! **Tee Off Fore Hunger**

May 9th ...Golf Scramble at Kearny Hill Golf Course

To benefit God's Pantry Contact Ken Koger - kenkoger@bellsouth.net

Professional Development Meeting

TOPIC: PLANT TOUR

TOUR: Link-Belt Construction Equipment Company



DATE: Thursday, April 16, 2009 (space limited to first 30)

LOCATION: 2651 Palumbo Drive, Lexington

FEE: \$12.00 (includes boxed dinner)
(Note: If you make a dinner reservation and do not attend you will be billed)

AGENDA:

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| 5:30 — 6:00 p.m. | Registration/Networking |
| 6:00 — 6:30 p.m. | Dinner, Officer Elections and Announcements |
| 6:30 — 8:00 p.m. | Plant Tour |
| 8:05 — 8:45 p.m. | APICS Board of Directors Meeting (all welcome!) |

APICS Bluegrass Chapter is now accepting MasterCard and VISA for PDM and Class charges.

Reservations: Required by Monday, April 13th, 2009 (limited to first 30)
...on-line at www.bluegrassapics.org, email to aburja@lexmark.com or by calling Adam Burja at 859/ 232-1559. Make sure your reservation is verified.

MENU: (boxed dinner)

Sandwich, chips, pickle & cookie
Soda, coffee or water

(If you can't come in time for the meal, please come for the tour!)



Upcoming APICS Meetings:

PDM: April 16, 2009

Plant Tour

Link-Belt Construction Equipment Company, Palumbo Drive, Lexington

PDM: May 14, 2009

Lexington Legends Game \$20 (Apr. 5th paid deadline)

Encourage your colleagues to join APICS now!

Some Membership Benefits:

Free APICS Dictionary (\$45 value)
CPIM exam discount (\$175 on all 5 total)
Multiple discount options on educational classes

Link-Belt Plant Tour...

ABOUT OUR HOST FACILITY: Link-Belt Construction Equipment Company is a leader in the design, manufacture and sales of telescopic and lattice boom cranes. Since the 2004 plant tour, Link-Belt has seen many transformations company-wide through expansion and continuous improvement programs. Lean Sigma methodology has been used to establish value stream and standard work via kaizen in production areas.

Directions: Link Belt is located at 2651 Palumbo Drive and can be reached from either New Circle Road or Man-O-War Blvd. Guests will be required to enter through the North gate and proceed directly to the downstairs training room (route will be marked). Signs will be posted from the guard house to the meeting room.

Safety: No cameras will be allowed on the property (new rule since last meeting). Safety glasses with side shields are required; these will be available if guests do not bring their own.

ANNOUNCEMENT: 2009 – 2010 Board of Directors Election at tour April 16, 2009

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| President | - | Donna Nesmith |
| President Elect | - | Gary Jones |
| Treasurer | - | Jim Thurston |
| Secretary | - | Bryan Tompkins |
| VP of Education | - | Open |
| VP of Programs | - | Dave Magee |
| VP of Membership | - | Amy Deaton |
| VP of Marketing | - | Ken Koger |
| Meeting Coordinator | - | Monty Northcutt |
| Newsletter / Communications | - | Bill Monroe |
| Director at Large | - | Adam Burja Mandi Jones |

APICS Bluegrass Chapter Membership Profile:

...What do you value most about your membership with APICS?

“Being a member of APICS has given me the opportunity to view supply chains from an overall strategic perspective, not just one area of expertise” - Gary Jones

Visit the APICS Bluegrass Chapter website at www.bluegrassapics.org for more information on Board of Directors, contacts, current Educational Schedule with pricing and policies and links to other information.

Upcoming APICS Southeast District Meetings:

Louisville, KY

June 5-6, 2009

OUR MISSION:

To provide the business community with high quality resource management education and to meet the challenge of individual professional growth.