



February 2010

Newsletter

President's Points

Greetings Everyone:

I hope by the time you read this, you have survived the snowstorm, and are anxiously awaiting spring, as I surely am.

For those of you who missed last month's meeting, you missed a great presentation by Bill Monroe. Bill shared some good information regarding Software Project Management that can be useful to anyone whose company is planning any new software projects in the future.

Our February meeting will be a joint meeting hosted by ASQ. Will LaFollette from Humana in Louisville will be presenting "Humana – A Perfect Service Journey." Please note that this will be at a different location and date than our normal meeting. It will be on Thursday, February 18, at the Ramada Inn on Broadway. The joint meetings are always a great opportunity to meet and network with individuals from other organizations. We hope to see everyone there.

Please be aware that the next Southeast District Meeting will be in Charlotte on February 19-20. If you are interested in attending the district meeting, you can find the details at www.apicssoutheast.org. If you have never attended a district meeting, this is a good way to get more involved in APICS. There is a lot of good information that is shared, and it is another good opportunity for networking.

We are very fortunate to have a great Board of Directors, who are hard-working and dedicated individuals. However, sometimes due to employment changes or changes in personal situations, we will lose a board member. We are sad to announce that Amy Sither will be resigning from the board. We are happy to say that this is due to her pregnancy, but we will miss her very much. Lisa Begley will be taking over the position of VP of Membership, and Treva Payne has agreed to assist her. If there is anyone who is interested in joining the board, please let one of the current board members know. We always welcome new members.

I look forward to seeing everyone on February 18.

Regards,

Donna NeSmith, President

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"Humana - a Perfect Service journey" - Will LaFollette

Will LaFollette of Humana, Louisville will be presenting Humana's improvement journey utilizing the Disney model.

He'll tell us about what his team does and how Humana drives operational excellence. Will will focus on how Humana looked at the economy and industry and identified the need to adapt to ever changing times and created a Perfect Service mindset.

William LaFollette has over 20 years experience as an Industrial/Quality Engineer, Organizational Excellence Director, Operations Leader and Production and Inventory Control manager. Will is active in the American Society for Quality (ASQ), is a Certified Quality Engineer and has served on its Editorial Review Board. He is also a Past Regional Councilor for the Healthcare Division and currently serves on the ASQ Board of Directors as a National Director (7th year).

Location

Ramada Inn Conference Center
2143 North Broadway
Lexington, KY 40505

Agenda

5:30 – 6:00pm - Registration – Networking
6:00 – 6:45pm - Dinner
6:45 – 7:00pm - Business Meeting – Door Prizes
7:00 – 8:00pm - Speaker Presentation
8:00 – 8:10pm - Announcements & Adjournment
8:15 – 9:00pm - Chapter Board Meeting

Menu

Stuffed Chicken Breast
Roasted Red Skin Potatoes
Confetti Corn
Chocolate Cake
salad w/choice of dressing, iced tea,
hot tea and coffee.

Cost \$18.00

VISA and Mastercard accepted

Registrations must be made no later than 5 pm Monday, February 15th.

Contact Monty Northcutt - Phone: (859) 285-7620

Email: monty.northcutt@insightbb.com

You can now register online at www.bluegrassapics.org





Upcoming Meetings

March 9, 2010 - Plant Tour.

We're finalizing the plans for a plant tour for the March meeting. Look for more details in next month's newsletter.

CSCP Certification Training

What is the APICS CSCP?

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.

Don't Miss This Opportunity!!!

The Bluegrass APICS Chapter is proud to offer CSCP Certification Training beginning on February 18, 2010.

The CSCP Course consists of four modules taught over a period of seven weeks, one night per week from 6pm to 9pm at Lexmark.

For more information or to register, contact John Damm by email at jdamm@lexmark.com or by calling (859) 232-3059 or visit www.apics.org or www.bluegrassapics.org.

Schedule: cost is \$1100 for members and \$1300 for non members.

Schedule:

- February 18 Module 1
- February 25 Module 2 (Part 1)
- March 4 Module 2 (Part 2)
- March 11 Module 3
- March 19 Module 4 (Part 1)
- March 25 Module 4 (Part 2)
- April 1 Review Session (Live Session, Go through Post-Test in Online Training System)





Links of Interest

There are many sources of APICS information available to you:

Bluegrass Chapter website:

<http://www.bluegrassapics.org>

APICS Southeast District website:

<http://www.apicssoutheast.org>

APICS HQ website:

<http://www.apics.org>

Read the latest news about APICS:

<http://www.apics.org/About/PressRoom/default.htm>

Check out our new website!

Bluegrass Education Program

One of the most valuable benefits of APICS membership is our educational opportunities. The Bluegrass Chapter has always had a strong educational program, and it's available to you right now.

Find out about how we can help you achieve your educational and career goals.

Bluegrass APICS education program:

<http://www.bluegrassapics.org/education/default.aspx>

To get more information about the Bluegrass Chapter's educational opportunities contact the chapter VP of Education John Damm at - jdamm@lexmark.com

VISA and Mastercard are accepted

