



May 2010

Newsletter

President's Points

Greetings Everyone:

We only have one more Professional Development Meeting for the year. This will be our plant tour of R. J. Corman on May 11. This promises to be a great event, so make your plans now to attend.

For those of you who missed the April meeting, you missed a very interesting and thought-provoking presentation by Dave Magee on the topic "Maximize Your Personal Effectiveness." Dave's interactive presentation gave the audience some tools to help them be more effective in both their professional and personal lives. Our thanks to Dave for his great presentation.

Abe Eshkenazi, APICS CEO, publishes some very interesting articles, and sends them to all chapter presidents. We received one in March that included some information regarding the economy that I want to share with you.

The basic message was that your opinion of the status of our economy depends on who you believe. He quoted two experts with two very different opinions. One stated that we need to prepare for the economy to get worse, while another one cited the increase in companies that are hiring temporary workers as a prelude to them hiring permanent workers, resulting in lower unemployment and improved economy.

Abe emphasized the role that APICS plays during these uncertain times. Excerpts are as follows:

"As we move forward into an uncertain future, we all must move forward together. Individually, you may be working to further your organization; yet, collectively, operations and supply chain professionals are getting smarter. You are making significant progress in the face of complex obstacles. APICS is here to support you in good economic times and bad. We provide a wealth of resources – from the APICS Career Center to the APICS International Conference and Expo. One of the most important resources is access to more than 40,000 operations management professionals across the globe, all as committed to this field as you are."

I couldn't have said it better myself.

We hope to see everyone on May 11 at R. J. Corman.

Regards,

Donna NeSmith, President

Bluegrass Chapter, APICS

In this issue:	
President's Points	1
May. 11 PDM	2
2010 - 2011 Officer Elections Results	3
Bluegrass APICS has a new website	3
2010 Golf Scramble!	4
Links of Interest	5





Professional Development Meeting
Tuesday, May 11th, 2010 - 6:00 PM

Plant Tour: R. J. Corman Railroad Group

R. J. Corman Railroad Group, LLC, is the owner of several business entities. Based in Nicholasville, Kentucky, with operations throughout the United States, they provide a full array of services to the rail industry. Their services include:

- Railroad Construction & Maintenance
- Derailment Services (Emergency & Non-Emergency)
- Distribution Centers
- Material Sales Yards
- My Old Kentucky Dinner Train
- Railpower - GenSet Locomotives
- Shortline & Switching Operations
- Storm Team Response

In June 2009, R. J. Corman Railroad Group acquired Railpower Technologies Corp. & Railpower Hybrid Technologies. "We are pleased and honored to be able to continue the development and production of the Railpower Gen-Set locomotives for the railroad industry."

- Rick Corman

Come out and join us for our last meeting of the 2009 - 2010 year. It's sure to be a unique opportunity to get a glimpse into the operations of what is considered by many as the best service provider in the rail industry!

Location

R. J. Corman
Nicholasville By-pass across from Wichita Drive
Nicholasville, KY

Menu

The meal will be catered by
R. J. Corman

Agenda

5:30 – 6:00pm - Registration – Networking
6:00 – 6:45pm - Dinner
6:45 – 7:00pm - Business Meeting – Door Prizes
7:00 – 8:00pm - Tour

Cost \$10.00

VISA and Mastercard accepted

Registrations must be made no later than 5 pm Thursday, May 6th.

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

Email: monty.northcutt@insightbb.com

Remember that you can now register online at www.bluegrassapics.org





2010-2011 Officer Elections

At the April meeting we conducted the election of the Directors for 2010 - 2011. Here is the slate of volunteers for the coming year:

President	Donna NeSmith
President-Elect	Gary Jones
Secretary	Adam Burja
Finance VP	Jim Thurston
Marketing VP	Ken Koger
Membership VP	Lisa Begley
Education VP	John Damm
Meeting Coordinator	Monty Northcutt
Newsletter	Bill Monroe
Past President	Dave Magee
Director at Large	Treva Payne
Director at Large	Charlene Martin

Once again, we're thankful to all of the folks who generously volunteer their time and energy to keeping the chapter going. We're always happy to hear new ideas and suggestions so let your voice be heard. Better yet, volunteer and help us make our chapter more beneficial for all.

Bluegrass APICS has a new website!

For the last several months we've been including an announcement for our website on the last page of the newsletter. Well, just in case you've been too busy to make it all the way to the last page we thought we'd tell you more about it so you'll be sure to visit and check it out.

The URL is the same as it's always been, www.bluegrassapics.org. But there are many new features that you can explore:

- **New** - Online Registration for Events and Classes
- **New** - Job Board for Posting Local Employment Opportunities
- **New** - Event Management System

And **Coming Soon** - Online Payment Capabilities

PLUS - Information about our chapter, our upcoming events, education opportunities, and more.

Come and visit and let us know what you think!





Bluegrass APICS Presents

Tee Off Fore Hunger - 2010 Golf Scramble

Once again, the Bluegrass APICS chapter is proud to announce the Tee Off Fore Hunger event. This year brings many exiting changes including give-a-ways and challenges. If you missed last year's event, you definitely do not want to miss out this time. Event to be held on July 10, 2010 at Kearney Hill Golf Links. All proceeds go to benefit God's Pantry to feed the hungry.



Special Hole-n-One Challenge

- Fee is \$100 per person and includes Fees, Cart, Breakfast and/ or Lunch.
- Other fund-raising: Tee Off from the Reds, Buy a Putt, Arm Extension Club, etc.
- Open to Everyone!
- Shot-Gun Start
- Special plaque for company that has most employees in attendance.
- Many Challenges and Give-A-Ways

Give-a-ways for hole-in-one challenges include:

A New Car!

Set of Golf Clubs

Entertainment System

Two Round-Trip Airline Tickets

Seiko Men's or Ladies Watch

Other give-a-ways will be given for different challenges on the course

Reserve Online Now:

www.bluegrassapics.org

Sponsorship Opportunities

Gold Tee Media Sponsor \$5,000

Includes logo on all materials and signage, entry for four players, recognition on all hole signs, verbal recognition during awards ceremony, special appreciation plaque.

Blue Tee Event Sponsor \$2500

Includes logo on select materials and signage, entry for four players, one hole sponsorship sign, special appreciation plaque.

Red Tee Give-A-Way Sponsor \$1,000

Includes logo on select materials and signage including all four hole-in-one challenge signs, entry for four players, special appreciation plaque.

Hole Sponsorship \$150

Name or Logo will appear on a select hole sign.

Hurry Up! Registration is Limited. Registration Ends on June 15, 2010.



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

