



January 2012

# Newsletter

## President's Message

Greetings Members:

Another year has passed by. Have you ever wondered why each year seems to go by much faster than the previous? While pondering this thought, I believe we spend so much of our time in our early years trying to find our way in the world. We want so much, but don't know how to accomplish our goals yet. As we grow older, we marry, have children, work more, stay busy as new parents etc. Our goals shift from me, to them. We start to focus on taking care of our family and their needs and not so much focus on ours. We become baseball coaches, soccer moms, Sunday school teachers, taxi cab drivers and anything else that would benefit others.

Giving your time to others gives so much satisfaction that is unparallel to any selfish act one can achieve in life. Once you get started you just can't seem to stop. This is where our time goes. We start focusing on how we can become better servants to our fellow mankind. We stop asking others to support us, and in turn, starting supporting others in their cause. When we are young, we want and want. As we mature, we see the true meaning of giving as a means of getting what you want.

This year, I challenge our membership to give more of your time so that you can achieve what you want. The secret is to choose which group you want to associate yourself with. I highly recommend starting with the APICS Bluegrass Chapter. We can use all Professional points of view. We need those who can be of service to others who actually want your help. Let us help you help yourself find fulfillment through service this coming year!

To kick off the new year we have an excellent program planned for this month. Our speaker, David Veech, is the Executive Director of the Institute for Lean Systems. His presentation is about "Building Satisfaction into Jobs Using Lean Tools."

We hope that you'll take the time to join us on January 10th for the meeting.

Gary Jones CSCP, President

APICS Bluegrass Chapter

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## Building Satisfaction into Jobs Using Lean Tools

David Veech, Executive Director, Institute for Lean Systems

Building satisfaction into jobs using lean tools (How standardized work, 5S, work cells, team, and flow hit every key contributor to job satisfaction: Significance, Variety, Identity, Awareness, and Responsibility)

David Veech is the Executive Director of the Institute for Lean Systems where he consults with companies to help them design more satisfying work systems for their team members using lean systems principles. He also develops and teaches lean systems certification courses, executive courses, and short courses in topics related to human performance (problem solving, motivation, employee involvement and satisfaction, team building, and leadership.) He has completed post-graduate studies in Educational and Industrial/Organizational Psychology. Mr. Veech is married, has three children and lives in Lawrenceburg, Kentucky.

<u>Location</u>	Ramada Inn - North Lexington 2143 N. Broadway, (at I-64/75 Exit 113) Lexington, KY 40505 (859) 299-1261
<u>Agenda</u>	5:30 – 6:00pm: Registration – Networking 6:00 – 7:00pm: Dinner - Business Meeting 7:00 – 8:00pm: Speaker Presentation 8:00 pm: Door Prizes, Announcements, Adjournment Board Meeting (all are welcome)

### Menu

Cost \$22

You can register online at <http://www.bluegrassapics.org> or you can

Contact Monty Northcutt to make your reservation no later than Thursday, January 5th.

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Online networking for  
Bluegrass APICS members

## Bluegrass APICS is LinkedIn!

Greetings Members and Members Past:

Did you know that the Bluegrass Chapter of APICS has a user group on LinkedIn that you can visit and obtain information on upcoming events, local job postings, and educational offerings? Come join us and stay up to date on all the happenings.

To join our group, sign into LinkedIn, click on Groups, then search for APICS – Bluegrass Chapter. You will find a link to request to join the group. Once submitted, you will receive a message and email that your membership is pending approval. The email will explain the criteria that we look for before accepting members to the group. This is done to avoid SPAM postings and SALES pitches.

We look forward to seeing you as a member of our LinkedIn group.

Sincerely,

Bluegrass APICS Board of Directors





## 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>

## 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 Eric-Stephan Neill at - [vp-education@bluegrassapics.org](mailto:vp-education@bluegrassapics.org).

Welcome our new  
Chapter members

Sarah Diener

