



Albany/Capital District Chapter Newsletter
November 2008 Edition



November Professional Development Meeting

**A Tour of the
Hannaford Brothers Distribution Center**

Wednesday, November 12th, 2008

**Hannaford Distribution Center – Schodack Landing
La Bella - Valatie**

***** Please note that the tour begins 5pm sharp *****
Dinner to follow tour

Dinner Choices

**Chicken Parmesan
Broiled Filet of Sole
Chicken Marsala
Eggplant Parmesan**

All Dinners will be served with a salad, ziti and desert. All soft drinks and coffee is also included.

Directions

**Hannaford Brothers Distribution Center
970 Route 9, Schodack Landing, NY**

**La Bella
2967 Route 9, Valatie**

Registration fee is \$25 for member, \$30 for non-members, and \$10 for students. All reservations should be made via e-mail to reservations@apicsalbany.org (Please include in your e-mail; Name(s), Company Name, # Attending or submit a [Meeting Reservation Form](#)).



A Letter From The President

I was sitting down to dinner with my family a few weeks ago when the conversation turned to school and education. My third grade son was expressing his problems with transitioning back to school from his summer break. I tried to comfort him by saying that education never ends and that he did not stop learning while away from school this summer and that he will never stop learning as long as he is alive. Judging by the look on his face, he was in shock. Being a curious kid, he asked me what have I learned recently. I told him that I am an Operations Management professional and that I constantly read articles on how to do things better, quicker and more efficiently. I also told him that when I go the APICS meetings, I always learn new things and meet people with new ideas.

As we ride the roller coaster called our economy, we can easily begin to feel helpless. Although it may be difficult to fend off this type of feeling, there are actions you can take today to make yourself and your company more competitive. Your local APICS chapter offers a variety of educational options to get you started.

Our chapter holds monthly Professional Development Meetings(PDM's) where recognized subject matter experts make an hour long presentation on a preselected Operation Management topic. If there is a special topic that you or your company would like presented, please contact our Vice President of Programs, Joe Day, with your idea. We are currently making arrangements for an upcoming PDM on Forecasting per a member request.

A new CPIM (Certified in Production and Inventory Management) series started Monday, October 20 in Latham. If you are interested you can join the second course in the series of five starting Jan. 5th (Master Planning of Resources). This certification focuses on how to optimize your operations within the 4 walls of your company.

A CSCP (Certified Supply Chain Professional) class is currently in progress. The CSCP class brings your company's entire value chain into perspective. The focus of the class is to allow you to understand the components that make up your end-to-end supply chain, not just what is inside your company's four walls (ie. Collaboration, Transportation Management). Our chapter is planning to offer this course locally starting Jan. 6th on Tues. and Thurs. evenings for 7 weeks.

We have a certified instructor who is trying to organize a local offering of the APICS Lean course. This course contains 7 sections that include: Introduction to Lean, Lean Culture, Value Stream Mapping, Stability and Process Improvement, Just-in-Time, Measuring, and Sustaining. If you and your company want to stay competitive in the global market, you need to learn how to successfully implement Lean. Lean is applicable to high volume manufacturing, low volume manufacturing, the service industry and in front end business processes everywhere. This class is a great first step to improve your company's bottom line.

I encourage all Chapter members and non-members to attend an APICS sponsored event. We have a vibrant chapter with professionals from various industries. We can all learn from each other and make our organizations more productive collectively.

Josh Weinstock, CPIM
President, ACAP APICS



Upcoming Educational Programs

Certified in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM)

Course: Master Planning of Resources
Dates: Jan. 5 - Feb. 23, 2009
Day/Time: Monday Evenings 6pm-9pm
Where: Plug Power (Latham)
Instructor: Sal Ganino CFPIM, CSCP, CQE, CQM
Cost: APICS members \$350, non-members \$400 (materials not included)

Course: Detailed Scheduling and Planning
Dates: Mar. 9 thru Apr. 27, 2009
Day/Time: Monday Evenings 6pm-9pm
Where: Plug Power (Latham)
Instructor: Sal Ganino CFPIM, CSCP, CQE, CQM
Cost: \$350, non-members \$400 (materials not included)

Anyone interested can contact Dean Meierdiercks (447-6507 or dmeierdiercks@apicsalbany.org). To pay by credit/debit card [click here](#).

Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP)

Course: Certified Supply Chain Professional (All Modules)
Dates: Starting Jan. 9, 2009
Day/Time: Tuesday & Thursday Evenings 6pm-9pm
Where: EXEControl (Clifton Park)
Instructor: Dean Meierdiercks, CPIM, CSCP
Cost: \$2,000 (all materials included)

Anyone interested can contact Dean Meierdiercks (447-6507 or dmeierdiercks@apicsalbany.org). To pay by credit/debit card [click here](#).

APICS Lean Enterprise Workshop Series (NEW)

The workshop consists of 28 class hours and seven modules (Introduction, Lean Culture, Value Stream Mapping, Stability and Process Improvement, Just-in-time, Measuring, Sustaining). Participants will be awarded a certificate of completion from APICS. This course also counts as 28 professional development points towards CPIM and/or CSCP certification maintenance.

To learn more about the new APICS Lean Enterprise Workshop Series [click here](#).

Course: Lean Enterprise Workshop Series
Dates: TBD (Flexible, depending on interest)
Day/Time: TBD (Flexible, depending on interest)
Where: TBD, Likely EXEControl (Clifton Park)
Instructor: Todd Nadler, CPIM, CSCP
Cost: APICS members \$900, non-members \$1,150 (all materials included)

Anyone interested can contact Todd Nadler (265-8836 or tnadler@apicsalbany.org).

Pictures From September & October PDMs





Chapter Earns Gold/Platinum Ranking

The Albany/Capital Region Chapter has earned a gold ranking for the 2007-2008 year as part of the APICS C-BAR (Chapter Benchmarking and Reporting) process. Among other things, the C-BAR program is designed to recognize chapters that meet or exceed the set of activities recommended for a successful chapter. The Gold ranking is the highest yearly ranking awarded in the C-BAR program, and is reserved for chapters that perform well above the minimum standards. In order to qualify for the Platinum ranking, chapters must earn a Gold ranking for five consecutive years.



The Albany/Capital District Chapter acknowledges the following members

New Members

Greg Dunton

Erin Corcuera – Superpower, Inc.

Current Membership: 164

Professional Members: 87

Academic Professional Members: 1

Corporate Voting Members: 30

Corporate Associates: 46

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Comments, suggestions and story ideas are encouraged, and may be sent to:

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