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Message from the President

Greetings again.

Another month gone, the snow is gone, and the grass grows once more. Time is flying by and we only have two more PDM meetings before we close another year in the history of our APICS East Texas Chapter.

This has been a good year so far with new members joining our ranks and new companies participating in our educational programs. I want to thank JW Manufacturing for providing access to their excellent training facilities in which to hold this year's classes.

We are winding down the last of the Strategic Management of Resources classes this week and will let you know soon the details of our next educational opportunity. We are planning a "Project Seminar" for this summer or early fall.

This month's meeting should be of interest to anyone who does business with the military. We have a very knowledgeable speaker who knows the ins and outs of dealing with Uncle Sam. He happens to be our Chapter's designated support person appointed by the district and I am anxious to show him our East Texas hospitality. Please join us for what I feel will be a great meeting.

Regards,
Larry Pascoe, CPIM, C.P.M.
APICS East Texas Chapter President

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Chapter Events

Professional Development Meeting

Please join us for our **April PDM** on April 20 at 6:30pm at the Olive Garden Italian Restaurant in Longview. We have invited **APICS Terra Grande District Staff Chapter Support**, Vern Teichroeb, from StandardAero in San Antonio, TX.



Vern Teichroeb is a career supply and materials management professional with both commercial and military supply chain management experience. Vern has an MBA for the University of Winnipeg (Canada), is APICS CPIM and CIRM certified, and holds a Jonah designation (TOC) from the Goldratt Institute.

Vern will talk about his many years of trials and tribulations from working with military. He'll talk about finding work, types of contracts and Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR).

Vern will also be on-hand to answer your questions about APICS membership and APICS education. You will want to know WIIFM.*

*What's in it for ME?

Don't miss this invitation to meet Vern and learn more about supply chain management and what APICS can do for you.

Click here to sign up or **RSVP** to any board member.

Coming Soon: One-Day Workshop

Project Management for Supply Chain Professionals presented by Chuck Connelly CFPIM, CSCP and CPA

Overview:

In today's dynamic business environment, project management skills are essential for supply chain professionals. To successfully compete, businesses are constantly changing and therefore require individuals with the special skills to drive and implement those changes.

As a supply chain professional, you can expect to be involved in many projects throughout your career. In some cases you will be asked to lead and in other cases you will serve as a team member. Managing and/or participating in a project is significantly different than supervising/managing/executing within a function, process or department. While some of the skills are transferable, leading and/or participating in a project require unique skills.

In this workshop, you will walk through the project management lifecycle. You will discuss key project management topics such as defining and managing scope, establishing your project team, driving change, and tools for developing and tracking your project plan.

Watch for more information in future newsletters or visit:

www.apicseasttexas.org

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on Your Member
Benefits**

Update your contact
information at
apics.org/myinfo.

Member Needs Survey

We want your feedback!

Before our chapter year ends in June, we'd like to know how we're doing. We'd like your honest opinion on what we've done right, and what we can do better. Attached is short survey for you to fill out and return. We value your comments!

Chapter Board of Directors

Your **APICS East Texas Chapter Board of Directors** relies on volunteers to organize and plan events and programs for the professional development of its membership. The Board is working on your behalf to bring you monthly dinner meetings, technical sessions, plant tours, education classes, seminars and more.

Every year we put a call out to our membership to fill the positions on the Board of Directors. Here is an overview of some of the positions and duties:

President

- *Oversee all Chapter activities
- *Relate to APICS District and Corporate governing bodies

Education

- *Support member goals for Education and Certification
- *Recruit and train qualified instructors

Marketing

- *Market events and activities to support Chapter goals

Membership

- *Maintain Membership records for the Chapter

Treasurer/Finance

- *Maintain Financial records and reports
- *Comply with Federal, state and local requirements

Newsletter

- *Plan, layout and send monthly Newsletter

Arrangements

- *Plan and arrange monthly Professional Development Meetings (PDM) and plant tours

Secretary

- *Record and maintain minutes of meetings
- *Submit annual review for Chapter minimum standards and Benchmarking (CMS-CBar)

Company Coordinator - new

- *Act as a point-of-contact within a company for individuals who are interested in APICS.

Volunteering doesn't cost - it **PAYS**.

Your volunteer efforts are rewarded in many ways. It helps to advance your friends, your peers, your Chapter and your community. It pays off personally in leadership development and professional development. And it looks good on your resume.

Please let any one of the current Board members know that you are interested in serving on the new Board for 2010-2011. Terms extend from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.



East Texas Chapter

We'd like your feedback! Please complete the following survey.

Today's Date: _____

Activities I have attended:

- Professional Development Meeting
- One Day Seminar
- CPIM Exam Review Classes
- CPM Exam Review Classes
- Other (please describe): _____

Reasons for attending: _____

What I liked about the activity: _____

What I disliked about the activity: _____

I'd like to see our local APICS Chapter offer: _____

More comments: _____

Please complete the survey and return it to any board member.