



Student Achievements

Usually I start by welcoming new members but this month I am moving something else to the top and it's the success of members of both the University of Toledo Student Chapter and the Bowling Green Student Chapter.

First of all I'd like to congratulate a team of 4 students from the University of Toledo APICS Student Chapter, **Justin Blake, Emily Burghardt, Athrey Rajan and Sasha VonSacken**, who won the GM / Wayne State University Case Competition which took place at the Renaissance Center, Detroit from 19th to 21st September.

There were 20 teams of 4 students representing universities from all around the US, each team was given a business case 3 weeks before the competition and had to prepare a presentation with their solution which they then presented to a panel of judges at the competition.

The 20 teams were divided into 5 groups of 4, and a winning team was selected from each division and given a new business case, they had about 20 hours to review the case develop their solution and prepare a presentation which was reviewed by a panel of 4 judges.

The UT team was the winner of their division and went on to the final and I am delighted to say that at the end of the competition the UT team was declared the overall winner.



The winning team, Athrey, Sasha, Professor Sundar (UT APICS Student Chapter Adviser), Emily and Justin

Congratulations and well done Justin, Emily, Athrey and Sasha, an excellent payback for all your hard work.

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There is an excellent article about the competition in **Automotive Logistics**.

http://www.automotivelogisticsmagazine.com/home-page/toledo-wins-3rd-gmwayne-state-supply-chain-competition?goback=%2Egde_2889021_member_276847548#%21

Staying with students congratulations to **Beth Albers** recipient of the **APICS 2013 Student Volunteer Award** at the 2013 APICS International Conference in Orlando.

The APICS Student Voluntary Service Award honors an operations management student who has shown a commitment to the APICS vision.

The nominee must demonstrate superior

- contributions to APICS professional chapter, district, or association
- student chapter leadership
- leadership in college/university and other professional associations
- community service

This is a significant honor, being one of only three individual awards given by APICS each year, and it is testimony to the exceptional efforts that Beth made in the areas above.

Beth is a former President of the student chapter in BGSU and is currently working as a Supply Chain intern for a company in Dallas.

New Members

This month we welcome 7 new members

Ross Carr

Joe Curtis

Cheri Delp

Heather Everitt

Vanessa Herrero

Ed Isaac

Britani Partin

All seven have joined the chapter for the BSCM class which started Tuesday September 24th and I think all intend to take the certification exam. I hope they enjoy the class and have success with the exam.

LinkedIn

How many of you are on LinkedIn and if you are already a member did you know that there is an APICS Toledo group? If you join our group you will receive notices about PDMs and other things happening at the chapter. It's also a way for the members to communicate to each other, for example if you read something you think would be of interest to others you can send out a short note with a link, and of course group members can comment on the notices.

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Finally

I recently heard from couple of former UT chapter members, Chenyu Gong and Tianxin Wang both are continuing their education, Chenyu in Philadelphia and Tianxin in St Louis. Both contacted me because they want to maintain their APICS membership but there no student chapters at these universities I have put them in touch with the local professional chapters. It's good to know that both Chenyu and Tianxin value APICS.

Bruce Brechin, CPIM, CSCP

October Programming News

The programs schedule for the chapter is coming together very nicely. Over the coming months, we have lined up a number of speakers and tours and these future engagements can be seen on the Toledo Chapter website at www.apicstoledo.org.

October brings us a presentation that the programs group have been working hard on for some time now to get set up. Don Guild with Synchronous Management will be with us to present MRP and Kanban, Together Again for the First Time. An abstract describing the event can be found on the chapter website as well as in the flyer that emailed to all chapter members. The registration deadline for the event is Friday October 11th. It will be held at Pizza Papalis downtown near Fifth Third Field in Toledo in their Taverna Room. Registration begins at 5:30 with dinner at 6:00 and the presentation beginning at 7:00.

As always, if you are interested in hosting a tour or if you would like to present at a PDM, please contact me at programs@apicstoledo.org.

APICS Toledo VP of Programs

Brian Pointer, CPIM

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Education Report – October 2013

APICS CPIM Certification Review Classes

It's going to be a busy fall.....CPIM BSCM classes have already begun (first class was September 24), and CPIM SMR classes start October 2. I'm excited to report we have a full house for BSCM: we have 12 professional members taking the class, as well as four students from The University of Toledo (with two other students waiting to see if we can fit them in). We have participants from Johns-Manville, Schindler Elevator, Libbey Glass, Frozen Specialties, Hirzel Canning, Fresh Products, and Thermatru. Some come to the class with many years' experience (10-20 years plus), and some are fairly new to operations management (1-2 years). And they represent a wide range of positions within operations management ...demand planners, production planners, purchasing agents, schedulers, and others....so we're going to have some lively discussions!

The students who are in the class are seniors majoring in operations and supply chain management and are APICS student members. APICS Toledo is supported by The University of Toledo with the use of a classroom for the CPIM classes, and in exchange, we offer any available seats to the students at no charge. For taking this class, the students get credit in their Production Planning university course, and they're getting a head start on their career advancement before they graduate! We're glad to have them join us for the class.

The CPIM Strategic Management of Resources (SMR) course begins Wednesday, October 2, and this class also is being held at The University of Toledo. The SMR class is considerably smaller than BSCM, but is made up of some very dedicated individuals who have been through the first four CPIM modules, and are eager to be taking this final step toward CPIM certification. We have six professional participants, from Wacker Chemical, Owens Corning, Calphalon, and Libbey Glass, and we have one UTAPICS student in this class, as well. I expect this class to be very challenging....and extremely rewarding!

APICS CSCP Certification Review Classes

Plans are going forward for APICS Toledo's CSCP Certification Review classes. Classes will begin in early January, 2014, and these classes are intended to help CSCP candidates prepare for the certification exam. APICS has announced three CSCP exam test windows for 2014, and the first window is March 22, 2014 – May 10, 2014. Plan on taking these CSCP Certification Review classes to help prepare you for your exam. More details will be out soon.

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VP Education

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Membership Milestones for the Month of *October*

Professional APICS membership for this month:

10 Years with APICS

Brent Schlegel 10/20/2003

5 Years with APICS

Matthew Kowalka 10/7/2008

Tony Meo 10/30/2008

1 Year with APICS

Nichole Wachter	10/2/2012	Joe Van Bolderen	10/3/2012
Robert Everard	10/3/2012	Danielle Hurst	10/3/2012
Natalie Letostak	10/3/2012	John Urbina	10/3/2012
Jordan Sherry	10/3/2012	Nam Vo	10/3/2012
Alexandria Shock	10/3/2012	Ariella Centlivre	10/4/2012
Shaowen Lo	10/4/2012	Jonathan Gilberg	10/10/2012
Robin Girija Raj	10/10/2012	Sasha VonSacken	10/22/2012
Jacob Ellerbrock	10/10/2012	Jindan Zhang	10/22/2012
Kyle Jacob	10/10/2012	Tim Nafziger	10/31/2012
Colin King	10/10/2012		

New Professional Members joined the Toledo Chapter in September:

Ed Isaac	Cheri Delp	Britani Partin
Ross Carr	Heather Everitt	
Joe Curtis	Vanessa Herrero	

New Student Associate Members joined the Toledo Chapter in September:

Lawrence Black and Pon Chyuan Tsou

CONGRATULATIONS on your Milestones to all current APICS Members and **WELCOME** any new APICS Toledo Chapter members, we look forward to seeing all of you at one of our future chapter events.

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Total Membership 216

BGSU student chapter members 29
UT student chapter members 36
Toledo chapter Professional / Enterprise 144
Toledo chapter Retiree members 1
Toledo chapter Academic members 5

~ *Lisa McLaughlin*

“[Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.](#)” ~Henry Ford

Student Chapter Reports



2013 GM/Wayne Sate Case Competition

Introduction: This is the third year since the launch of this annual all-expense (UT paid the transportation cost) paid competition sponsored by General Motors and Wayne State University. The University of Toledo – SCM students participated since its inception and **this year UT Team won big, very big, beating out 19 other competitors.**

2013 Participants:

1. Bowling Green State University
2. Colorado State University
3. Eastern Michigan University
4. Florida State University
5. Howard University
6. Indiana University – Indianapolis
7. Lehigh University
8. Miami University
9. Michigan State University
10. North Carolina State University
11. Ohio State University
12. Pennsylvania State University
13. Rutgers University

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14. Syracuse University
 15. University of Maryland
 16. University of Memphis
 17. University of Northern Iowa
 18. University of Toledo
 19. Wayne State University
 20. Western Michigan University

2013 Industry Participants: General Motors (co-sponsor with Wayne State University), Delphi, Denso, Ryder, Lear, AIAG, Detroit Regional Chamber.

Competition Format: One faculty member from each school selects their team with inputs from other interested faculty. Faculty would have no role in the case after this step. The case analysis is entirely the responsibility of students with zero input from faculty. The first case is distributed to students about three weeks before the event. They may ask questions through email with the faculty coordinator at Wayne State. All questions are answered in one shot anonymously and sent to all teams.

Round I: For 2013, schools were divided into five regions by the sponsors. The regions are not geographic. In round I, there are four schools in each region. There are three judges from industry and the case is presented by students for about 30 minutes followed by Q and A for about 10 minutes. Each region produces one winner.

Round II: Case for Round II is distributed immediately after the end of Round I. Students have about 20 hours to do the second case and present it in front of the entire participants and four judges from Industry. One winner emerges in the Round II.

Bill Hurles- Executive Director-Supply Chain--General Motors
David Drouillard - Executive Director-Purchasing--General Motors
Kevin Wilson - Director--DENSO
Bob Monczka - Director of Research-CAPS Arizona State University

Other events: During the three-day **Supply Chain Case Competition (September 19-21, 2013) held at Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan**, two employment oriented panel discussions, several sessions on the state of automotive industry supply chain by leading players in the field, a factory visit to DHAM plant of GM which makes the Volt, several interviews for fulltime employment and internship as well as a Tiger Game were part of the Agenda.

2013 Result: The University of Toledo faculty advisor was P. S. Sundararaghavan and the **UT Student team:**

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- c. Rajan, Athreya (Athreya.Rajan@rockets.utoledo.edu); (Ph. (419) 215-5401)
- d. VonSacken, Sasha (Sasha.VonSacken@rockets.utoledo.edu); (Ph. (260) 577-2742)

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The University of Toledo won the 2013 General Motors/ Wayne State Case Competition beating out 19 other Universities.

GM/WAYNE Case Competition. **(Winners of each of the Regional competition (Round I):**

1. The University of Toledo
2. Howard University
3. Florida State University
4. Colorado State University
5. Wayne State University



Bowling Green State University

The beginning of this school has been extremely busy for the SCMA. So far in the Bowling Green Business School the SCMA was the most visited organization by freshman during our recruitment events. Already we have put into motion fund raising events, community service and already had our first social event of beach volleyball. Our first full member meeting went extremely well and created a lot of interest as we brought in students to talk about their internships and the experiences they had. At the end we had a ton of questions asked and the entire group seemed very happy and positive about the direction that the SCMA is headed this year. The executive board has already started the process of making goals and we hope to finalize our entire calendar for this rest of the year. The board will be meeting early next week to finalize these plans. As a whole the Bowling Green chapter of SCMA is very excited and ready to do some great things this year as an organization.

If you'd like to hear about the internships and experiences of our students, we invite you to join us on Monday, September 30 for the joint APICS Toledo/ BGSU Supply Chain Management Institute meeting at the BGSU Student Union. From 5:30-6 pm students will be talking about their internships with a poster session during the networking before the dinner and best practices presentations. Please mark your calendar!

BGSU SCMA would also like to give one last wish of luck our nominees for the annual APICS volunteer of the year awards. All three are terrific servant leaders that spend a great deal of effort promoting APICS and the supply chain profession:

- Beth Albers: Student Voluntary Service
- Dr. Janet Hartley: Student Chapter Mentor

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- Bruce Brechin: Voluntary Service

While the nominations were sent in June, the APICS International winners aren't officially announced until the APICS conference in Orlando, this coming weekend September 29-October 1. But win or lose you are all amazing people who have constantly supported the SCMA diligently —thanks for all your support!!

APICS Updates – October 2013

Here we list items recently announced by APICS or provide links to useful APICS information.

Principles of Sales & Operations Planning (S&OP) Seminar

Chicago, Tuesday November 12th 2013

This seminar is designed to assist beginning as well as experienced managers and planners to acquire a firm understanding of the principles and functions of sales and operations management planning (S&OP).

[http://www.apics.org/events-landing-page/2013/08/20/principles-of-sales-and-operations-planning-\(s-op\)](http://www.apics.org/events-landing-page/2013/08/20/principles-of-sales-and-operations-planning-(s-op))

CSCP Exam

Have you studied CSCP and not yet taken your exam and are you worried about not passing first time and the cost of the retake?

For the remainder of this year APICS is offering a promotion for APICS CSCP candidates designed to increase testing confidence—**and save cost**.

From now until the end of 2013, candidates who take the APICS CSCP for the first time and do not pass are **eligible for one retake exam at no cost**. This offer is being extended to first-time candidates who do not pass the APICS CSCP exam sometime between September 21, 2013, and the end of 2013.

Qualified retake candidates need to contact APICS at cscpexam@apics.org for this limited-time offer and will receive an exam credit that must be used within one year of date issued.

To find out about this promotion and other CSCP information including exam tips use the link below

http://view.apics-email.org/?j=fe911677736c077d71&m=fe971570746d037874&ls=fdfa17777663047b72167174&l=fec7107377610574&s=fe631674756c007a7517&jb=ffce15&ju=fe671c737661057f7714&utm_medium=Email&utm_source=ExactTarget&utm_campaign=CSCPTriggered&utm_content=email1&&&r=0

As a reminder, the upcoming APICS CSCP exam windows in North America:

September 21, 2013–October 26, 2013 and November 30, 2013–January 11, 2014

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New APICS Learn It App

Just announced **APICSLearnIt** a new free app for iPhones and Android phones. Want to check the meaning of a term? The new APICS app **APICSLearnIt** allows you to do that, it also gives you a “term of the day” and its meaning and there is a flashcard game. Play it and find out if you know the correct definition for terms.

Other Information

US Veteran – Certification Test Benefit

Did you know that if you are a US veteran and are thinking of becoming CPIM certified then you may be eligible to have the cost of your certification tests refunded by the Department of Veterans Affairs? Veterans please check out the VA site to find out if you are eligible, and thank you for your service.

<http://www.va.gov/>