



President's Message June 2015

I would like to welcome our newest chapter members, names marked with an asterisk are the “just graduated” former student chapter members and I congratulate them for all the effort it has taken to achieve their degrees and wish them success as they start their professional careers.

Bradley Campolo *	Shila Firozabadi *	Rebecca Hartman *	Tyler Kralovic *
Predhil Kumar KR	Jordan LaBenne	Nathaniel Langhals *	Haksun Lee *
Ashley Materise *	Brian Pavalonis *	Katelyn Perrine *	Srinath Rangarajan *
Jeremy Reeves *	Kyle Siefker	Levi Straub *	Paul Trendel *
Tanya White			

Remember APICS is here to help all our members succeed in advancing their careers.

Congratulations to 3 chapter members who have been working on their CPIM certification and in May passed one of the certification exams, **Jeremy Adair**, **Tiffany Finkenbiner** and **Cyndi Sayre**, more information about their achievements is in the education section of the newsletter.

The Chapter Board of Directors held their annual recognition dinner recently and we were delighted to recognize **John Cavanagh CPIM** and **Johns Manville Inc.** for their commitment to continuing education for their staff through the CPIM education program and **Sheryl Holbrook CPIM, CSCP** for her hard work as VP Education and APICS Instructor.

Those chapter members who hold APICS certifications are reminded of the need to keep their certification current through the APICS Certification Maintenance process, more details can be found in the APICS News section of the newsletter.

Each year APICS asks chapters to confirm they meet certain standards and chapters can elect to complete a submission for the **Chapter Benchmarking and Reporting Award**, the Toledo chapter has been a Gold Award recipient since September 2007, we were granted Platinum status in 2011 and I am delighted to say we believe we are on track to maintain our performance.

We will be sending out our Annual Chapter Survey in June and I would ask everyone who receives the survey (via our mailing list [Subscribe Now](#)) to take a couple of minutes to help us improve the chapter.

Our Annual Meeting will be held at Gradkowski's, Secor Rd, Toledo, on the evening of Monday June 8th when we will report on the 2014 – 2015 chapter year, vote on revisions to the chapter bylaws and elect the 2015 – 2016 Board of Directors.



The majority of the current board are standing for re-election, **Vanessa Burkard CPIM** has announced her intention to stand for the board and we invite all other interested members to come to the meeting. Full details are available on the website [2015 Annual Meeting](#)

Finally this is my last month as Chapter President, and I am delighted to tell you that **Lindsay Vollmar CPIM**, our current Executive Vice President, will succeed me as president, effective July 1st.

Lindsay is a former president of the UT Student Chapter and served on the Toledo Chapter Board as VP Administration prior to becoming Executive Vice President.

Bruce Brechin, CPIM, CSCP



June Programming News

May Plant Tour

Tuesday May 19th saw nearly 25 APICS members tour the newly opened Maumee plant of Allermuir, part of the Senator group, a manufacturer of high quality European styled furniture for reception, breakout areas, hotels, restaurants and cafes.

The plant opened in December 2014 moving from a smaller location in Maumee and our tour was hosted by Tyson Stoll (Plant Manager) and John Spitler (a long time member and former president of APICS Toledo), Tyson and John took us through the facility explaining each stage of the manufacturing process, including fabric cutting and sewing and furniture assembly and their distribution process. For those of us who haven't had the chance to see this kind of operation it was very interesting to see multiple variations on a basic design, and how the process is more complex than it initially appears.

The business uses designs from their UK parent but is responsible for sourcing all materials used in Maumee, currently operating on a single shift basis the company anticipates continued growth in coming years.



Many of us have probably encountered Allermuir furniture without knowing it as they supply their products to a number of US corporate customers in different business segments, for example Best Buy uses Allermuir stools in its stores.

I would like to thank Tyson and John for giving their time to host the tour and give those who attended the opportunity to see a company operating in an industry unfamiliar to most of the participants.

Brian Pointer, CPIM
VP Programs



Education Report – June 2015

Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP)

Registration is now open for APICS Toledo's newest series of CSCP Certification Review Classes.

All three CSCP modules will be reviewed during five full-day Saturday sessions: September 12, September 19, October 3, October 10, and October 24.

To register for the class, or for more information, visit the education section of our website www.apicstoledo.org or use this link: [Toledo CSCP - Information and Registration](#)

To find out if CSCP certification is right for you please review the recent CSCP Webinar Series [APICS CSCP Webinars](#)

Part 1 – Why Every Supply Chain Professional Needs the APICS CSCP

Part 2 – How to Prepare for the APICS CSCP Exam

Part 3 – Taking the APICS CSCP Exam with Confidence

Certified in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM)

Congratulations to Ed Isaac, who passed his SMR exam in April and has earned the CPIM designation. Great job, Ed!

Congratulations also go to **Jeremy Addair** and **Cyndi Sayre**, who both recently passed the exam for Module 1, BSCM. Well done, Cyndi and Jeremy!!

I would be remiss if I didn't mention all the exam success we're having with our CPIM classes at Johns Manville in Defiance, where we're bringing in-house CPIM certification training to thirteen Johns Manville employees. Six class participants have passed the Module 1 exam, and 4 other participants have also passed the Module 2 exam. And, **congratulations to Tiffany Finkenbiner**, who has passed the first four exams and is now studying for the fifth and final exam... good luck to Tiffany and the rest of the JM Defiance group!!

APICS Toledo Education Calendar 2015/2016

APICS Toledo's 2015/2016 Education Calendar is now available!! Click on [Education Calendar](#) to find out what is available or contact education@apicstoledo.org for more information.

Sheryl Holbrook, CPIM, CSCP
VP, Education



Membership Report – June 2015

Membership Milestones for the Month of *June*

10 Years with APICS Professional Member – **Thomas Dixon**

5 Years with APICS Professional Member – **Christine Gohr**

1 Year with APICS Professional Members – **John Dobias, Steven Mitchell, Bryan Sahadi, Brittney Laird**

1 Year with APICS Student Member – **Mohammed Abouelniaj**

New Professionals joined the APICS Toledo Chapter in May: **Jordan LaBenne, Kyle Siefker**

New Students joined the APICS Toledo Chapter in May: **Michael Lokcynski, Chelsie Schmitz, Nicholas Waldrop, Sara Rundle, Adrianna Boli, Hannah Glass, David Headley, Joshua Herman, Lakshika Kuruppurachchi, Ginni Singh**

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.

Total Membership 294

BGSU student chapter members 43

UT student chapter members 43

Toledo chapter Professional / Enterprise 203

Toledo chapter Retiree members 2

Toledo chapter Academic members 3

Lisa McLaughlin
VP Membership



The University of Toledo APICS Student Chapter

May was an important month for the University of Toledo APICS chapter.

On May 3rd the transitional board meeting was held at the university with the intention of transitioning between outgoing board members and incoming board members. Present were Bruce Brechin (Toledo Chapter President), Brad Compolo (Outgoing UT chapter President), Danielle Long (Incoming UT chapter President), Crystal Glambin (UT chapter Vice-President), Zachary Lozar (VP of Marketing and PR), Stephen Olsen (Incoming Treasurer), and Bryan Winters (Incoming Secretary).

During this meeting we discussed our strategy for this upcoming year and re-organized responsibilities of board members to better assist us in reaching our goals. We briefly touched on the possibilities of volunteering at a Mud Hens game this summer and some other activities we can participate in during the summer semester to get a jump start on achieving our goal of Gold Status. We also discussed the first two speakers will be for this upcoming year, the speakers will be Otto Steele of Owens Corning and Dan Fortunato of Ford Motor Company.

We also had multiple students finish the MPR CPIM class this May. These students will be sitting for the test sometime over the next few months. We discussed during our meeting how to improve attendance of these classes as we believe they are a unique and important opportunity student should take advantage of to get a jump start on the competition in the job market. Overall we have formulated a strategy for this upcoming year that we believe will benefit our student chapter but also will benefit and support our parent chapter of Toledo APICS.

Danielle Long
Student Chapter President



APICS News – June 2015

Here we list items recently announced by APICS and provide other APICS information.

APICS Certification Maintenance

APICS requires individuals holding CPIM, CFPIM and CSCP certifications to maintain their certification at 5 year intervals. You can apply for certification maintenance at any point during the 5th year of certification. Keeping your certification up-to-date and active shows your dedication to your career in operations and supply chain management and helps boost your standing within your organization and the industry.

To maintain certification you must achieve 75 maintenance points during the 5 year cycle, maintenance points come from APICS membership, attending PDMs or other educational events including repeating certification classes and attending the APICS Conference.

After the 5th year the required maintenance points increase by 15 points per year to a cut-off of 10 years and 150 points. After 10 years you have to start over and retake and pass the relevant certification exam(s).

Lifetime Certification

Did you know that individuals aged 62 or older with a current APICS certification are eligible to convert their certification to lifetime?

Converting the certification to a lifetime designation eliminates the need to renew the certification every 5 years through the Certification Maintenance program and resets the certification expiration date to lifetime.

Individuals who meet lifetime requirements must notify APICS in writing at certification@apics.org of their interest in being converted to lifetime status and must provide proof of age. There is no fee for this status change. Once approved, candidates are no longer required to complete the recertification process to maintain the designation.

Retired Member Category

After reaching age 62 APICS members who have retired from formal employment may switch to the Retired Member category, once approved APICS reduces the annual membership dues to \$75 and effective May 2015 the Toledo Board of Directors agreed to waive the chapter dues element.

The application form is available at the following link [APICS Retired Member Application](#)

Merger of APICS and the American Society of Transportation and Logistics (AST&L)

On May 5th APICS announced a proposed merger with AST&L, the merger is subject to approval by the AST&L membership and if approved will become effective in July.

The merger will expand, extend and deepen the end-to-end supply chain body of knowledge that fuels APICS global supply chain research, education and certification programs. Together, APICS and AST&L offer unmatched content and subject matter expertise that will enable individuals and organizations to meet key supply chain



challenges.

This agreement acknowledges the importance of transportation and logistics, and the tremendous innovation impacting delivery processes today. It also reflects APICS commitment to keeping our content and capabilities at the forefront of our industry, providing our members, customers and the supply chain community at large the most up-to-date, relevant and complete body of knowledge. This is a strategic combination that paves the way for us to fortify supply chain education and certification in the areas of transportation and logistics.

APICS 2015 International Conference – Las Vegas October 5th – 7th

Connecting with professionals from all the sides of the value chain enables you to foster relationships, explore trends, debate challenges, strengthen processes, and heighten efficiency.

APICS 2015 is the supply chain and operations management premier annual event and your go-to source for dynamic thought leadership, best-practice strategies, and big ideas inspired from the APICS body of knowledge.

Use the following link to get more conference information [ABOUT APICS 2015](#)



Upcoming Chapter Events

Chapter Annual Meeting

Monday June 8th at 6:00PM

Gradkowski's 1440 Secor Road, Toledo, OH 43607
Reports from President and VP Finance
Approval of Revised Bylaws
Election of 2015 – 2016 Board of Directors

CPIM – Detailed Scheduling & Planning (DSP)

Starts Thursday August 20th

Weekly from 6:00PM – 9:00PM for 9 weeks
University of Toledo

Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP)

Starting Saturday, September 12, 2015

All 3 modules in 5 full-day Saturday sessions:
September 12, September 19, October 3, October 10, and October 24