

Production Pulse

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UPCOMING EVENT

Please join us for our:
January Professional Development Meeting
"Lean Manufacturing uses Industrial Engineering Techniques"

With: W.E. (Bill) Wilson

Tuesday, January 18, 2005

Attendees will learn how to apply Industrial Engineering Techniques in a Lean Manufacturing environment. Focus areas include Material Flow, WIP Inventory, Self-Directed Work Cells, Efficiency Measures, through discussions, a DVD, and practical case examples.

Space is limited! Please register before noon on Friday, January 14th through the Chapter hot line **905-571-2994** or the visit our chapter web site at www.apics-durham.org.

Timing:

Socializing: 6:30pm
Dinner: 7:00pm
Speaker: 8:00pm

Fees:

Members: \$30
Non-members: \$35
Students: \$20



Advancing Productivity, Innovation, and Competitive Success

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Speaker:

Bill Wilson has an extensive background in operations, principally in the automotive sector. He has also done work in the corrugated box business, food processing, chemical, and steel. Bill's thorough understanding of operations has made him invaluable to numerous clients in introducing new processes and making dramatic operation changes.

Bill has implemented continuous improvement and statistical process control in a variety of settings as well as introduced lean manufacturing, achieving cycle time reductions and increased through-put. His manufacturing seasoning has complemented his rare ability to demystify complex and complicated subjects, making them understandable, practical and fun to learn. Bill has participated in the design of many training programs such as Ford Windstar.

Bill taught industrial engineering at Mohawk College and was a leading consultant for the (Ontario Centre for Automotive Parts Technology - Ministry of Industry).

Location, Timetable, Fees:

We will meet at Regalis' Fine Restaurant – 1305 Pickering Parkway, Pickering, Ontario L1V 3P2. The restaurant is located on the main floor of the building S.E. of the Pickering Town Centre and next to the 401. Included in the dinner are, salad, Roast Beef, desert, and tea or coffee. Please let us know if you have special a meal requirement.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE SPRING 2002

The Durham CAPIC Chapter is pleased to present the following Event Schedule for the Spring Season 2002. Mark your calendars now! Please bring your friends and colleagues to what promises to be an exciting and educational season of Professional Development Meetings. Our season comes to an exciting and fun conclusion with our 1st Annual Golf Tournament – all members and friends of APICS are encouraged to attend!

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC	LOCATION
January 18, 2005	Bill Wilson Emotion Picture Studios	Lean Manufacturing	Regalis' Fine Restaurant, Pickering
February 15, 2005	T.B.D.	T.B.D.	T.B.D.
April 19, 2005	Tour	Automation Building	Durham College Campus
May 17, 2005	T.B.D.	Durham Chapter Gala and Awards Night	T.B.D.
June 2005		Golf Tournament	T.B.D.

Did You Know?

All chapter members can renew their APICS membership online at www.apics.org.

All paid up members can request a copy of the upcoming APICS conference material by simply asking for it on the same website as above.

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President's Message

“APICS – A Rose by Any Other Name?”

John D. Skelton, MA, CPIM
President, Durham Chapter, APICS Region VIII

In October of 2004, the APICS community received a very exciting bit of news. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will read an announcement that effective January 1, 2005, APICS – The Educational Society for Resource Management has changed its name to APICS The Association for Operations Management.

This event involved far more than a simple name change. It heralds an entirely new Brand. It is a Brand that respects our history while confronting the challenges of the future. In the coming weeks and months you will read about how our organization has evolved over the years to meet the needs of the community it serves. You will see that APICS represents an increasingly diverse population of professionals from myriad manufacturing and service industries. You will learn the value of APICS membership, certification, the Body of Knowledge, and the International Conference and Exposition.

The new APICS brand promise is summarized in the following Value Proposition:

APICS is the global leader and premier source of the body of knowledge in operations management, including production, inventory, supply chain, materials management, purchasing, and logistics. Since 1957, individuals and companies have relied on APICS for its superior training, internationally recognized certifications, comprehensive resources, and worldwide network of accomplished industry professionals.

The knowledge gained through APICS enables productivity improvement in the workplace and the achievement of competitive advantage in the marketplace

...Leading to enhanced self-confidence, job security, career advancement, and financial security

...Instilling confidence in employers that their employees are better prepared, more knowledgeable, more capable, more productive, and able to contribute to a successful bottom line

...Instilling confidence in individuals that they are contributing to organizational success

...Resulting in individuals experiencing a sense of accomplishment, pride, and peace of mind.

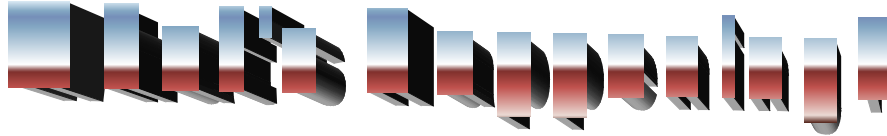
It is an exciting time for those who are active in APICS. I personally support this transition, and look forward to making a contribution to the continuing enhancement of our product. I encourage each of you to join in, and to help make our community and our Chapter better than ever!

Did You Want Your Newsletter Electronically?

Right now your chapter is actively working on the development of a web based Production Pulse newsletter. All members / contacts will be able to access Production Pulse through the chapter website www.apics-durham.org. The approach will be consistent with that taken by many other organizations. A “BC” email with a link will be sent to your email address(s) of choice each month. The traditional paper version will still be produced and distributed through Canada Post.

If you are interested in switching to web version currently planned for January 2005 please send the Newsletter an email at cwest@hubbell-canada.com

EDUCATION NEWS



Durham Chapter announces our plans for January 2005:

CPIM Certification Preparation / Review Course Execution and Control of Operations

What? – The course focuses on prioritizing and sequencing work, executing work plans and implementing controls, reporting activity results, and providing feedback on performance. The course explains techniques for scheduling and controlling production processes, the execution of quality initiatives and continuous improvement plans, and the control and handling of inventories.

Topics include:

- Prioritizing and Sequencing Work
- Executing Plans and Implementing Controls
- Authorizing and Reporting Activities for Push and Pull Systems
- Evaluating Performance and Providing Feedback

When? - Wednesday evenings from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Starting January 26th through March 23rd (9 Sessions)

Where? – Within Durham Region – Most likely Whitby or Ajax

How much? – APICS Members \$435
 Non-Members \$470

Save \$35 by registering before January 12th, 2005

Prior students with established credit with Durham Chapter may pay at the first class. New students, or those with prior credit problems, must send the Chapter a cheque, or company Purchase Order, along with their registration to arrive by January 12th, or you can use VISA or MasterCard through the Chapter website.

Fees include Participant Guide

How do I register?

See the registration form on our website at www.APICS-Durham.org
(You can pay by credit card on the website after registration)

For more information, e-mail us at info@APICS-Durham.org
Or call the Chapter line at 905-571-2994

APICS Unveils New Name at 2004 International Conference and Launches New Brand in 2005

APICS—The Educational Society for Resource Management is pleased to announce that it will change its name to APICS The Association for Operations Management, effective January 1, 2005. The association will use a new tag line— Advancing Productivity, Innovation, and Competitive Success. APICS unveiled the new name publicly at the 2004 APICS International Conference and Exposition in San Diego, California, on October 12.

The APICS Board of Directors unanimously approved the name change at its October 9, 2004, meeting. “APICS has evolved to meet the needs of the community it serves, but the name no longer fully recognized the value proposition the association delivers,” said APICS President Arnold E. Kennedy, CFPIM, CIRM, Jonah. “The new name will honor our rich history in production and inventory control, better define the broad application of the APICS body of knowledge, and position us for the future.”

APICS was founded in 1957 as the American Production and Inventory Control Society, Inc. In the early 1990s, it adopted the name APICS—The Educational Society for Resource Management to acknowledge its growing international presence and expanded scope.

Today, APICS represents a diverse community of professionals from virtually every manufacturing and service industry. The APICS body of knowledge spans all aspects of operations management, which includes production, inventory, supply chain, materials purchasing, and logistics. By changing its name, APICS The Association for Operations Management clearly defines its body of knowledge in terms that are universally understood. The new name asserts the association’s leadership position of delivering superior training, internationally recognized certifications, and comprehensive resources, while representing a worldwide network of accomplished industry professionals.

In conjunction with the new name, APICS has adopted the tag line, Advancing Productivity, Innovation, and Competitive Success. “APICS is the resource that individuals and companies rely on for operations management education and validation of one’s knowledge through obtaining the Certified in Production and Inventory Management and Certified in Integrated Resource Management designations,” said Jeffry W. Raynes, CAE, executive director and chief operating officer. “Our new tag line communicates the value that APICS delivers to an individual’s career advancement, as well as an employer’s bottom line.”

APICS enlisted the research services of Wirthin Worldwide and strategic communications counsel of Fleishman Hillard International Communications in support of the rebranding efforts.

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APICS—The Educational Society for Resource Management is the recognized global leader in professional certifications, educational programs, and publications for manufacturing and service industry professionals across the entire supply chain. Founded in 1957, the society supports nearly 60,000 members in 20,000 companies worldwide. To learn more, visit the APICS community at www.apics.org.

“PLACE YOUR AD HERE”

Have you considered advertising in “**Production Pulse**”? Production Pulse has a circulation of over 300 encompassing membership, related industry professionals and academia

The advertising rates are as follows:

1/8 page	\$50	per newsletter	
1/4 page	\$75	per newsletter	
1/2 page	\$100	per newsletter	
Full page	\$150	per newsletter	
Annual	\$125	per newsletter	(full page only for 8 issues)

Durham College Field Placement

Durham College Operations Management Students, including Durham APICS Student Members, are required to complete 120 hours of unpaid field placement during their final semester of studies. I am writing to provide you with information about the field placement program at Durham College, and to ask that you consider hosting a field placement student in your organization in February, 2005.

What is field placement?

Field placement is an unpaid, three week work experience program. It is designed to provide operations management students in their last semester of a three year program with work experience that is related to their college studies. Field placement is a requirement of graduation with a three year diploma in operations management.

When are field placement students available?

Field placement students are available to work in your organization for three consecutive weeks, from February 14, 2005 to March 4, 2005. Students are expected to work 40 hours per week over the course of the placement experience.

What types of work assignments are appropriate for field placement students?

Students are in their final semester of a three year program in operations management and have acquired many skills that could be used to complete work assignments in your organization. Their studies have included a broad base of operations management courses, including inventory management, purchasing, quality assurance, MRP, and others. Students can be assigned to assist with the normal operational requirements of your department or, alternately, could undertake a special project that would provide value to your organization. Field placement employers have wide latitude when designing a work plan for the student. The only specific guideline is that the work be related to operations management and provide an opportunity for the student to utilize their operations management knowledge.

What are the specific responsibilities of the field placement employer?

If you are interested in having a field placement student work in your organization, there are three specific areas of responsibility that you will have:

Prior to the start of the placement, you will need to provide a brief written job description that provides an overview of the task (s) and/or project(s) that the student will be performing over the three week period. This will provide the student with clear expectations about what their responsibilities will be. While the student's specific duties may evolve over the course of the placement, a general work plan should be established at the outset.

During the placement, employers are asked to provide an appropriate level of supervision of the student and to be available to answer their questions, provide guidance, etc.

At the end of the placement, you will be asked to complete a brief evaluation form and review that evaluation with the student before they leave your organization.

How will the student be insured?

Field placement students are insured under Durham College's own insurance policy.

What are the next steps?

If you have decided that a field placement student could bring value to your organization, please contact Jackie Shemko, Operations Management Field Placement Coordinator at (905)721-3111 ext. 2519, or via e-mail at jackie.shemko@durhamc.on.ca. Thank you for your support of the operations management field placement program at Durham College. The work experience that you provide to our students is a valuable component of their overall education in operations management.

Jackie Shemko
Field Placement Co-ordinator – Operations Management
School of Business, Durham College



Feedback Feedback

We appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete the following survey regarding tonight's activities. Our goal is to serve you better.

Meeting Date: _Nov. 16, 2004

Facilities:

How would you rate the food at tonight's PDM?

1	2	3	4	5
		21%	14%	65%
Poor				Excellent

How would you rate the service at tonight's PDM?

1	2	3	4	5
	7%	14%	29%	50%
Poor				Excellent

How would you rate the general environment (room, temperature, ambience) at tonight's dinner?

1	2	3	4	5
		14%	14%	72%
Poor				Excellent

Presentation:

Do you feel that this evening's presentation was relevant to your current endeavours in supply chain management?

1	2	3	4	5
		14%	36%	50%
Not at All				Very Relevant

Did tonight's speaker / event meet your expectations?

1	2	3	4	5
	7%	14%	14%	65%
Not at All				Very Much

Did you find the speaker / event interesting?

1	2	3	4	5
		21%	14%	65%
Not at All				Very Interesting

General:

Did you receive your copy of Production Pulse (our newsletter) in sufficient time to allow you to plan this evening?

28%	Yes	36%	No	36%	I never received a copy
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How did you learn about tonight's PDM?

7%	Prod'n Pulse	43%	Web Site	0%	Telephone Call	50%	From a colleague
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Will you attend another PDM in the future?

100%	Yes	0%	No	0%	Don't Know
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