

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, 2009



Radisson Hotel
21 Kingsbridge Road,
Piscataway, NJ

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REGISTRATION BEGINS @ 5:30 PM

\$35 for APICS members, \$40 for non-members
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The Top 8 Pitfalls of Inventory Management

Whether you are a company with a manual inventory control system or possess one of the latest automated inventory control systems, inventory accuracy could be one of your best management tools. The thorn that keeps creating non-value work could also be your worst nightmare causing major management issues. Where do you think you rank?

Inventory accuracy management starts with recognizing that there are problems, identifying the problems, identifying the reason for the problems, how to control them, and how to prevent their reoccurrence.

Based on over 15 years hands on implementing ERP software systems and continuous improvement projects, we will look at some root causes of inventory errors and recommended solutions. The companies range from small job shops to major automotive components, chemicals, consumer products, food & beverage, pharmaceutical, and textile industries.

From this presentation you will learn to:

- Identify potential inventory issues
- How companies resolve their inventory issues
- If your company is perfect, you can confirm that you are not making the same mistakes that other companies have made

Who should attend?

- Senior Management who rely on their inventory as an asset for profits
- Managers and Supervisors who are responsible for inventory
- Professionals (planners, schedulers, buyers, etc) who rely on accurate data
- IT team members that create and maintain inventory software systems
- Any employee who touches inventory
- Supply chain consultants who are interested in a different look into inventory management



Guest Speaker: Arthur Shaffer, CPIM

Art has been in supply chain consulting and materials management for over 25 years working in the manufacturing and distribution/warehousing area. Art has experience in implementing ERP and WMS software systems along with project management and process improvement programs. His industry experience includes automotive, chemical, consumer, electronics, food/beverage, paper, and textile.

Art has a BSIE from Fairleigh Dickinson and a MS in Engineering Management from NJIT. He is past **APICS** Regional Vice President – Region IX and currently serves as Director of Education for Central Jersey **APICS**.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.....

Let's discuss the membership benefits of a professional membership.

Some of the main benefits of professional membership are: [APICS Magazine and APICS Magazine Online](#), [APICS Dictionary, 12th edition](#), [APICS Live Learning Center](#), [Certification Programs](#), [Local Chapters](#), [APICS Learning Communities](#), [APICS Career Center](#), [APICS Bookstore](#), [Educational Events](#), [Production and Inventory Management Journal](#), [APICS Web Site](#), [Supply Chain Council SCORmark Benchmarking Access](#), [Aberdeen Research](#), [AMA Business and Mgmt Training](#), [Advantage Program](#), [APICS Connection Live](#), [APICS Operations Management Body of Knowledge Framework \(OMBOK\)](#).

APICS is making it easier for operations and supply chain professionals to become part of the APICS community with the introduction of three new electronic membership categories. APICS now offers electronic membership options to enterprises, international members, and young professionals.

Enterprise Professional e-Membership - Available to organizations with 25 or more enterprise members, this new membership type enables companies to provide more employees with access to valuable APICS content, products, and services.

International Professional e-Membership - The new International Professional e-Membership was created to support the rapidly expanding global operations and supply chain management community.

Young Professional e-Membership - Specifically for recent graduates, the Young Professional e-Membership offers the opportunity to build a professional network and expand operations and supply chain management knowledge—at a price that's a perfect fit for a young professional's budget.

These are just some of the membership benefits that APICS provides.

Debbie Majeski

VP of Membership and Executive VP

WHAT YOU MISSED.....

Some highlights of what you missed when you **DIDN'T** attend the last PDM on October 7th

Project Management – Failure is Always an Option

Nick Sheridan, CPIM, and past President of CJER APICS, gave a presentation that was informative and entertaining.

Nick touched on the four Project Management tools to a successful project: Communication, Organization, Problem Solving/Decision Making, and Team Building. He led a note worthy discussion, exploring each of the five Essential Project Management processes. Drawing from his own experiences, he briefly delved into the Initiating, Planning, Executing, Controlling, and Closing processes while never losing sight of and considering the RISKS.

Nick discussed the six phases of a Project's Life Cycle:

1. Initiation Phase
2. Definition Phase
3. Planning Phase
4. Implementation Phase
5. Deployment Phase
6. Closing Phase



Nick shared Project Management Tools, along with a Project Management Resources listing and he presented an actual Case Study, which was followed by an open, lively discussion.

President Mike O'Hara, just back from International Conference in Toronto, spoke of some of the technical sessions and the excitement around APICS. He also invited those interested to attend the Board-of-Directors meeting to observe and consider a volunteer position.

CENTRAL JERSEY APICS UPCOMING EDUCATION CLASSES:

Basics of Supply Chain Management

Date: Oct 27, 2009 – Dec 29, 2009 (10 weeks)

Time: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: Radisson Hotel, Piscataway, NJ

Instructor: Arthur Shaffer

Contact: Arthur Shaffer, 908-789-3237, ABShaffer@yahoo.com

Robert Russo, 732-661-3140, Robert_Russo@mtf.org

Cost: \$450 includes workbook. Group discounts for 3+ are available

Candidates explore the basic concepts in managing the flow of materials in a supply chain. In the Basics, you get a complete overview of material flow, from internal and external suppliers to and from your organization.

Topics include:

Elements of the Supply Chain

Just-in-Time (JIT)

Total Quality Management (TQM)

Manufacturing Resources Planning (MRP II)

Demand Planning

Capacity Management.

Strategic Management of Resources

Date: Jan 7, 2010 – Mar 11, 2009 (9 weeks)

Time: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: Radisson Hotel, Piscataway, NJ

Instructor: Arthur Shaffer

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Candidates will focus on the various techniques for material and capacity scheduling. The course includes detailed descriptions of material requirements planning (MRP), capacity requirements planning (CRP), inventory management practices, and procurement and supplier planning.

Topics include:

Recognizing Techniques and Practices of Inventory Management

Mechanics of the Detailed Material Planning Process

Planning Operations to Support the Priority Plan

Planning Procurement and External Sources of Supply

Employment Opportunities:

Contact Tom Raimondi @ tomraimondi@berryplastics.com

09/14/09 [E0656 VP of Supply Chain](#) - Seasoned Supply Chain Professional to head up and oversee the creation, design and implementation of a corporate supply chain Strategy and function. Must be able to oversee the supply chain function at multiple distribution centers.

08/11/09 [E0655 Supply Planner](#) - Create and maintain production plans and master schedules to support the Demand plan. Interface closely with 3rd party purchases, Planning teams, Sales leaders, US- Demand, Manufacturing and Logistics groups.

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Welcome new member:

Brigid Reidy—Pfizer Inc

Central Jersey Chapter Mission Statement

To be the premier provider of supply chain education (including: inventory, materials, production, and operations management) to Central Jersey's industries and individuals.

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