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Communicating Metrics

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Most, if not all of us are governed by metrics on our jobs. While a lot of attention is spent on the design of particular metrics, not enough attention is spent on communicating metrics. This communication process is not a one or even two way street, it is more. It is your manager communicating with you and you communicating with your manager as well as other stakeholders within your organization. Learn how to work with your manager to set up a communications plan to properly utilize this powerful tool. After all, what is more important in your professional life than being properly rewarded for your hard work

This presentation will include:

- The Basics of Metrics Planning
- Preventing Data Overload
- A Framework For Communication
- The Do's And Do Not's Of Communication
- Communicating Problems
- When Metrics Should Be Changed



Jeffrey K. Bragar, CPIM CIRM

Jeff is both an educator and practitioner of Supply Chain Management. He has held positions of increasing responsibility in Production Planning, Inventory Control, Project Management and ERP implementations for over 20 years. He has been teaching Operations and Supply Chain Management classes at Bloomfield College for the last 20 years. His educational credentials include a BS in Management from Montclair State College, an MBA from Fairleigh Dickinson University and both CPIM and CIRM designations from APICS.

Radisson Hotel

21 Kingsbridge Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854
For directions / map call 732-980-0400

Registration begins @ 5:30 PM

\$35 for APICS members, \$40 for non-members

To register, please visit <http://www.apics-cjer.org>

Congress for Progress 34

Sheraton Society Hill Hotel - Philadelphia, PA

April 15, 16, 17, 2009

It's not too late to sign up and participate in:

Focus Clinics: Designed to give the attendee a wide choice of topics to choose from and a quick lesson on a specific topic of interest

Mini-Workshops: Expanded mini-workshops that cover an issue in greater depth. These give the attendee actual skills to take back to work on Monday to improve their job and company performance.

Keynote Presentations: Short pep talks from industry leaders to jump-start your learning potential.

Strategically, **Congress for Progress is focused on becoming the key resource to "Solve your companies key supply chain problems"**. The product that we provide to achieve this goal is a comfortable and professional atmosphere that allows us to showcase specific, targeted, workshops to give a customer team the needed skills to solve these key problems. The value that is provided by these workshops allows the attendees to take these solutions back to their organizations and immediately integrate them into their day-to-day operations.

32 years ago in 1976, the year of the bicentennial celebration of the birth of the United States, the first CP (Congress for Progress) was held in Philadelphia. Its purpose was then, and is now, to bring together some of the best instructors **APICS** has to offer to teach the latest methods to improve your bottom line. And that's where the "Progress" came from.

Congratulations to members Nick Sheridan and Mike Harmon who won

FREE registration and lodging at Congress for Progress.

Check back to see what they have to say about it in the May newsletter.

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- **Membership Survey**

It is the time of the year again where we will shortly be sending out our membership survey to the members of the Central Jersey Chapter of APICS. This is a very important tool for the Board of Directors because the members get to voice their needs and concerns. This year we will try to use Survey Monkey or a different service so you don't have to mail or e-mail anything back to the Board of Directors. We encourage you to take the 3-5 minutes to fill out this survey. By doing so we will be able to see the topics you are most interested in hearing at future PDMs. If you or your company have educational needs, and who doesn't in this ultra-competitive workplace, there are some new courses that we can offer.

Perhaps there is another association that you would like us to partner a PDM with so we can offer a broader networking opportunity. The board is open to suggestions if you know of other organizations that would like to hold a joint business meeting with us. Would you like to see more plant tours? Would your company be interested in doing a plant tour and getting some free publicity? Perhaps you know of a plant tour that would be of interest to our members.

For all the survey's that get returned this year we will be doing a drawing. This year we will select one survey applicant and the winner will receive a \$25.00 gift certificate. So, not only does it benefit you by filling out the survey, but you can have a chance to win \$25.00 this year.

Once again, I strongly encourage you to take the few minutes it takes to complete this important membership survey. Filling out the survey will not only benefit you, but all of your fellow Central Jersey Chapter members. After all, the board is here to serve our members with what they want to hear and provide networking opportunities for all of our members.

Sincerely,

Debbie Majeski, CPIM

Exec Vice President and

VP of Membership

Employment Opportunities-To request information about any of these opportunities. Please contact Tom Raimondi at TRaimondi111@aol.com.

E0647 Sr. Production Planner-maintain customer service and inventory control both in finished goods as well as raw, packaging, & WIP components with a focus on delivering total customer satisfaction.

E0645 Procurement Manager - (1 opening in NY & 1 in NJ) - planning the overall acquisition strategy; generating/implementing source selection plans, developing/coordinating RFI/RFP Statements of Work and Technical Specification requirements, negotiations and source selection of major suppliers.

E0646 Buyer/Planner - responsible for activities involved procuring goods & services such as raw materials, equipment, tools, parts & supplies.

E0644 Master Planner- Create a Master Production Schedule taking into account available capacity and production constraints. Manage exceptions where current plan cannot meet demand with available capacity or where ending inventory falls below desired safety stock.

E0643 Procurement Specialist-Handle the daily operations, planning, purchasing, and management of product flow from manufac-

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We have access to the best and the most talented trainers and instructors in the North East. At you facility, APICS can offer the standard CPIM training classes and if necessary, we can customize the training and or classes to fit you specific requirements. If on the other hand you find your looking for Lean and or Continuous Improvement training, Central Jersey APICS can also meet your requirements.

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Welcome new members:

Alison Gupko

Venkateswara Duggirala

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.