

benefit (<http://www.apics.org/Education/Webinars/Archived/default.htm>). These are great for lunch-n-learns.

- As both a practitioner and a consultant, I have used the best practices section many times. <http://www.apics.org/Resources/BestPractices/>

And there are many more! Take a few minutes and check them out.

Each month your APICS Columbus Board will highlight a benefit of your APICS membership. In this tough economy, it may be hard for you and your company to justify the cost of your membership. We want to continue to show you that the value of your membership far exceeds the cost.

If you would like for members of the Board to discuss the benefits with your management or make a presentation to your organization, please let us know!

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President's Message

Greetings everyone! I hope you had the opportunity to join us for the October PDM to learn more about Lean Six Sigma and why it is important to your business. We here at Columbus APICS strive to provide interesting and informative speakers and plant tours of significance to our members. We are always looking for new ideas. If you know of a speaker or topic you would like to see, let me or another board member know and we will do what we can to make it happen at

an upcoming meeting.

The APICS International Conference recently concluded in Toronto. The conference took place in the shadow of the CN tower. APICS put on a good show with inspiring speakers and timely topics. It was a great opportunity to meet other professionals and participate in multiple educational sessions. Next year's conference will be in Nashville. Please join us.

It has become clear that many companies in central Ohio are struggling through tough economic times. We have seen the effect on many of our fellow chapter members. APICS recognizes the value and importance of APICS membership to continuing or advancing your career. If you are currently out of work, APICS wants to help you maintain your membership. If your membership has expired or it is due to be renewed, APICS can renew your membership free of charge for six months at a time. Simply contact me at President@Apics-Col.org and I will assist you.

A major part of our mission is to provide educational opportunities to our members. Part of this mission is accomplished through certification review courses. These courses are a great way to prepare for certification exams or can be used to gain points toward re-certification. They are also a great way to network with other professionals within your field. For more information on the education offerings, please visit the website at www.apics-col.org or contact Steve Fedan at education@apics-col.org.

Sincerely,

Bill Thurston, CPIM, CIRM, PMP
President, APICS Columbus

Membership News

Current Membership Total: 224

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| Professional Members: | 195 |
| Student Associate Members: | 26 |
| Retired Members: | 2 |
| Academic Professional Members: | 1 |

New Members (Past 60 Days)

| Member Name | Company Name | Membership Type |
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| Xiayon Zhang | | Professional Member |
| Steven Webber | Limited Logistics | Professional Member |
| L.F. Tardue | | Professional Member |
| Barry Langton | Rolls-Royce | Professional Member |
| Michael Dennison | Dennison Consulting | Professional Member |
| Steven Sturgill | | Professional Member |

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