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HAPPY NEW YEAR

How Do You Say January In:

- Spanish: De enero
- Italian: Gennaio
- French: Janvier
- German: Januar
- Polish: Stycznia
- Latin: January

January 18 is Thesaurus Day.

What else could you call this day? Is there another word for thesaurus?

January 21 is both Squirrel Appreciation Day and National Hugging Day.

PLEASE, don't try to hug the squirrels. They really don't appreciate it. They'll just think you're a nut and you know what they do to nuts.

January 22 is Answer Your Cat's Question Day.

I'll bet your cat just has one question. What the heck was that all about with the squirrels yesterday?

January 23 is National Compliment Day.

I'll be waiting...

January 26 is Spouse's Day.

Whose idea was this? It was probably some guy who missed the boat on Compliment Day and needed to make up for it.

January 28 is National Kazoo Day and Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day.

So grab some bubble wrap, a kazoo and a thesaurus and get into the New Year by celebrating these critical January holidays.

EDUCATION SCHEDULE

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES

RICHMOND PRODUCTS, INC.
4400 SILVER AVE SE

STARTED JANUARY 11, 2011

Explore the relationship of existing and emerging processes and technologies to manufacturing strategy and supply chain-related functions. The course addresses three main topics: aligning resources with the strategic plan, configuring and integrating operating processes to support the strategic plan, and implementing change.

CLASS INSTRUCTOR

Mr. Thomas Dorr CPIM has over 40 years of manufacturing experience in a variety of industries including Medical Device, Automotive, Consumer Products, Textiles, Industrial Safety Products and Rubber Molded Products. He holds a B.S. in Management Science and an MBA in Manufacturing Management from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He teaches APICS CPIM Certification Review courses for the APICS Albuquerque Chapter and provides operations management training and consulting services. He is currently the Director of Education for the Albuquerque APICS Chapter.

APRIL/MAY 2011

BASICS OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

RICHMOND PRODUCTS, INC.
4400 SILVER AVE SE

8 WEEK COURSE – EVERY TUESDAY, 6:00-9 PM

The basic concepts in managing the complete flow of materials in a supply chain from suppliers to customers are covered in the Basics module. Supply chain concepts are introduced and basic terminology emphasized, as are relationships among activities in the supply chain.

- Introduction to Supply Chain Management
- Demand Management and Forecasting Techniques
- Priority and capacity planning at the Master Planning, MRP and PAC levels

- Aggregate and Item Inventory Management
- Purchasing and Physical Distribution
- Lean/JIT, Quality Systems and Theory of Constraints

EXECUTION AND CONTROL OF OPERATIONS

RICHMOND PRODUCTS, INC.

4400 SILVER AVE SE

8 WEEK COURSE – EVERY TUESDAY, 6:00-9 PM

Candidates focus on the areas of 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.

EDUCATION REGISTRATION CONTACT

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February Tour

Information coming soon. Please keep an eye on your email for information.

Are there places you would be interested in touring or is your company interested in hosting a tour for APICS?

Contact Debora Brener

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Membership

The APICS community is composed of more than 33,000 individuals from 15,000 companies worldwide-across nearly all industries. With more than 50 years in service, APICS brings together professionals from around the globe who are committed to building excellence in operations management.

Join APICS today to profit from our vast educational offerings as well as the knowledge and experiences of thousands of other operations management professionals worldwide. Watch your e-mail for the latest membership benefits news and information in the member newsletter, *APICS Connection*.

Membership Categories

Professional

Professionals may access a wealth of education through online resources, local training and networking, award-winning publications, and product and service discounts. Membership remains active if the member changes jobs. Annual dues are \$200

Student

By joining the ranks of more than 2,500 APICS student members you will meet and network with experienced professionals, build leadership and training skills, and engage in competitions and programs that help promote education and encourage interest in the profession of operations management. Annual dues are \$25

Group-Site Membership

APICS offers group-site membership to companies and their employees. A group-site membership enables five employees from the same company location to have full membership privileges, including full online access, member publications, and discounts on APICS products and services. Employees from the member company may also order products at the discounted membership rate using a designated company billing number.

How Group-Site Membership Works

The Components of group-site membership are:

Company Voting (CV) employees (APICS members): CVs receive all society and chapter mailings and have full membership privileges.

Company Associate (CA) employees (non-APICS members): Through the group-site membership, nonmember employees may order materials at the discounted rate. These employees do not receive mailings, membership privileges, or access to members-only content on the APICS Web site.

Company Group Billing (CB) contact (non-APICS member company contact): This record is created for the sole purpose of monitoring group activity. All billing and membership renewal information is sent through this record. This contact can be one of the CV employees.

Transfers: Because the company and not the individual retains the membership, the five CV memberships can be changed to other employees at any time. Corporate membership changes must be made in writing via company email or on company letterhead, including the addition and removal of members, as well as changes to company name and address.

Group-Site Membership Dues

When a company joins APICS, it must do so at both the society and chapter levels. Society dues are \$600 annually and chapter dues are \$300 annually.

New Membership Contact

Visit the APICS website for applications <http://www.apics.org/Membership/>

N.M. Manufacturing Earns Poor Grades

A recent copyrighted article in the Albuquerque Journal reported New Mexico received several failing grades in a recent study from Ball State University. The study looked at different areas they felt reflected the health of a states manufacturing and logistics businesses.

Here is New Mexico's report card:

- F Quality of work force
- F Level of international trade the states businesses engage in
- F Concentration of manufacturing and logistics companies in too few activities
- A Low cost of employee benefits
- D Availability of venture capital
- D Contribution of manufacturing and logistics to the States economy
- C Productivity and innovation of the States work force
- C Tax climate

The researchers forecast that states with low tax rates (not New Mexico) and manufacturing sectors that make a wide variety of goods (again, not us) will rebound quickest from the recession.

In 2009 there were 30,100 people in New Mexico employed in manufacturing. This was 3.7% of the states work force generating 1.1 billion dollars in taxable gross receipts as reported by NM Bureau of Business and Economic Research.

Granted this poor showing by New Mexico's businesses is unfortunate and we may disagree with some of the findings, the fact remains we need to do a better job attracting and holding good manufacturing businesses to the state.

Your Albuquerque APICS Chapter offers classes and workshops to individuals and companies that will build knowledge and skills in operation management professionals. We help our members and their organizations successfully compete in the local and global economy. Let us help you and your company turn the "quality of the work force" F into the A+ New Mexico deserves.

Visit our web site at <http://www.abqapics.org/> or contact us and tell us how we can help.