

The Bottom Line



May 2011

Ontario Grand Valley Upcoming Events

Wednesday, June 8

Topic: Awards Banquet
Speaker: Eric Somers CPIM CIRM CSCP
Time: 5:30
Location: Knights of Columbus
110 Manitou Drive
Kitchener, ON

Wednesday, September 14th

Annual Golf Tournament

Topic: Heart & Stroke
Foundation
Speaker: Heart & Stroke
Foundation
Time: 5:30
Location: Grand Valley Golf Club
Cambridge, ON

Wednesday, October 12th

Topic: Modelling Plans and
Patterns for Improved
Forecasting
Speaker: Lloyd Clive P.Eng, CFPIM
Time: 5:30
Location: Knights of Columbus
110 Manitou Drive
Kitchener, ON

Don't Miss June's PD Meeting!

Awards Banquet

Speaker: Eric Somers CPIM CIRM CSCP
District Manager, APICS Canadian District

Date: Wednesday June 8th, 2011

Location:
Kitchener Knights of Columbus
Kitchener, Ontario

Reservations: Register online at events@apicsogv.org
Reservation Deadline: Friday June 3, 2011

Eric Somers CPIM CIRM CSCP



Eric Somers, CPIM CIRM CSCP, has been a member of APICS since 1989. He currently serves as District Manager for APICS Canadian District, and is a former president of Hamilton Chapter, APICS' first international chapter.

Eric has previously served APICS in numerous volunteer roles, at the chapter, region, and association level. Other previous volunteer assignments include Executive Vice President for Region 8, Vice President of Education for Region 8, Vice President of OMERIC (the Operations Management Educational and Research Institute of Canada), as a member of the Fundamentals committee of the APICS C&C Council, as a member of the 2006 Chapter Development Committee, and as chair of the Chapter Minimum Standards committee.

Eric was honoured to have been chosen as the recipient of the APICS Voluntary Service Award in 2004, and had the privilege of being selected to chair the APICS Scholars program at the 2004 APICS International Conference and Exposition.

Eric possesses over 25 years of experience in Operations and Supply Chain Management, with a career that has spanned numerous industries, including aerospace, consumer goods, pharmaceutical, energy, distribution, electronics and heavy manufacturing. He has served the profession as a practitioner, academic, and consultant.

Eric, with his wife and business partner Pam, operate Saw-Whet Solutions, a small practice that provides ERP consulting, and instruction in APICS programs, and various Operations and soft skill subjects.

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❖ The APICS OGV chapter is always on the lookout for talented speakers with new topics to present to its members. We are always on the hunt for informative and unique plants to tour. Both of these areas are benefits for our members to heighten industry awareness and provide continuous education in the supply chain sector.

❖ APICS OGV is offering a new service to its members by providing a table at our Professional Development Meetings where a member can market their services.

❖ If you are interested in speaking at one of our Professional Development Meetings, educate our members through a plant tour or market your company by sponsorship at a PDM, please contact us at events@apicsogv.org

For more information contact [events@apicsogv.org].

APICS OGV Contest!

Participate in the upcoming contest to rename the newsletter. We're looking for a fresh new title to replace "The Bottom Line". This contest will be ongoing until June 2011; the new name of the newsletter will be announced as well as the member that provided the new name. We want to see as many suggestions as possible from the community and we're looking for innovative ideas!!

Please provide suggestions to newsletter@apicsogv.org. All ideas will be considered.

We're on LinkedIn!

Join the APICS Ontario Grand Valley chapter's new group on LinkedIn! Extend your networking opportunities by joining us, [click here](#).

We encourage you to become as active as you wish in the group – connect with new people, start discussions, or participate in discussions. Please invite your friends and colleagues to join us – membership not required!

We look forward to having a very active group, thanks to you.

The BRICK
 www.thebrick.com

Please Note: The APICS OGV has been invited to participate in THE BRICK'S REWARD PROGRAM. This entitles any APICS member to take advantage of Corporate pricing at the Kitchener Brick located by Sports World Drive only.

To participate in this program, please see an APICS board member so that you can get a membership card and details on how to take advantage of this special pricing offered to APICS members only.

President's Message

Louise Beauchamp, CFPIM, President, APICS OGV

APICS - Past, Present and Future

On Friday, May 6th, we celebrated 50 years of APICS in Canada in Brantford. There were many in attendance, members, guests and speakers, as we highlighted our past, present and future.

APICS Past

Hamilton has the distinct honour of being the first chapter chartered in Canada. They celebrated their 50th anniversary on Thursday, May 5th, and had invited us all to join them for dinner and a trip down their memory lane. Gary Bryant, APICS Hamilton president, has a unique link to the past – his grandfather, Arthur Bryant, was one of the founding members of the Hamilton chapter.

There were many who joined us Friday evening to celebrate APICS Keith Launchbury, the second of only two Canadian APICS president (now called Chair of the Board of Directors) in 1991, regaled us with memories that went back several years, including a story of a piano somehow landing in a swimming pool – which we're told remains a mystery to this day.

Danielle Breese – president of the Conestoga College ASC board of directors, proposed a toast on behalf of APICS future professional members to APICS past, including past presidents, volunteers and members. It is because of them that we celebrate such important milestones today.

APICS Present

Several guests offered their congratulations and their continued support to APICS. Eric Schaudt, Chair of the APICS Board of Directors was in attendance and congratulated us all for our 50th anniversary. Frank Mensink, Executive Dean of Conestoga College, spoke highly of the ongoing relationship between the college and our chapter. Peter Fish, of Research in Motion, spoke of the value of APICS certifications at RIM. Other well-wishers included Kevin Maynard, Executive Director of the Canadian Supply Chain Sector Council, David Bright, Director Project Management Institute – CTT chapter, Michele Morrison, CSCP Channel Support Manager of Holmes Corporation, and Pam Somers, who was Region 8 Vice president from 2006 -2007 and was Canadian District Director from 2008-2009.

In addition, APICS sent a video that had congratulatory messages from many corporate folks, including Abe Eshkenazi, APICS CEO and Eric Schaudt, APICS Chair.

Brian Watson, on behalf of APICS chapter past presidents, offered a toast to the present – current presidents, volunteers and members.

APICS Future

Several ASC student members attended Friday's event. Since this was also our chapter's monthly professional development meeting, students were asked to sit at different tables for dinner. It was an honour to receive *many* compliments from those in attendance – congratulating us for having such a vibrant and active student participation. Tracey Lopers, our ASC Liaison Officer, and the ASC board deserve kudos for making this happen.

I, on behalf of current APICS chapter presidents, had the distinct pleasure of proposing a toast to APICS future – to those students and future members who will join us in celebrating many more milestones.

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President's Message

Louise Beauchamp, CFPIM, President, APICS OGV

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I'd like to thank everyone who attended APICS Canada's 50th anniversary evening – it was a great success and a testament to the continuing value of APICS. We now look forward to celebrating Ontario Grand Valley's **OWN** 50th anniversary this coming February.

New Letters After your Name? You're Invited to Dinner!

Have you obtained your CPIM and/or CSCP designations this past year? If so, we'd like to invite you as our guests at our Awards Banquet on June 8th at the Knights of Columbus in Kitchener.

To register, go to <http://www.apicsogv.org/subscribe.php> Select Registration type "Other" and type your new designation (CPIM or CSCP) in the "Code" field.

We look forward to celebrating your accomplishment with you!

For more information or questions, please email me at president@apicsogv.org – I'll be happy to help.

**Louise Beauchamp, CFPIM,
President APICS OGV
president@apicsogv.org**

OGV Welcomes ...

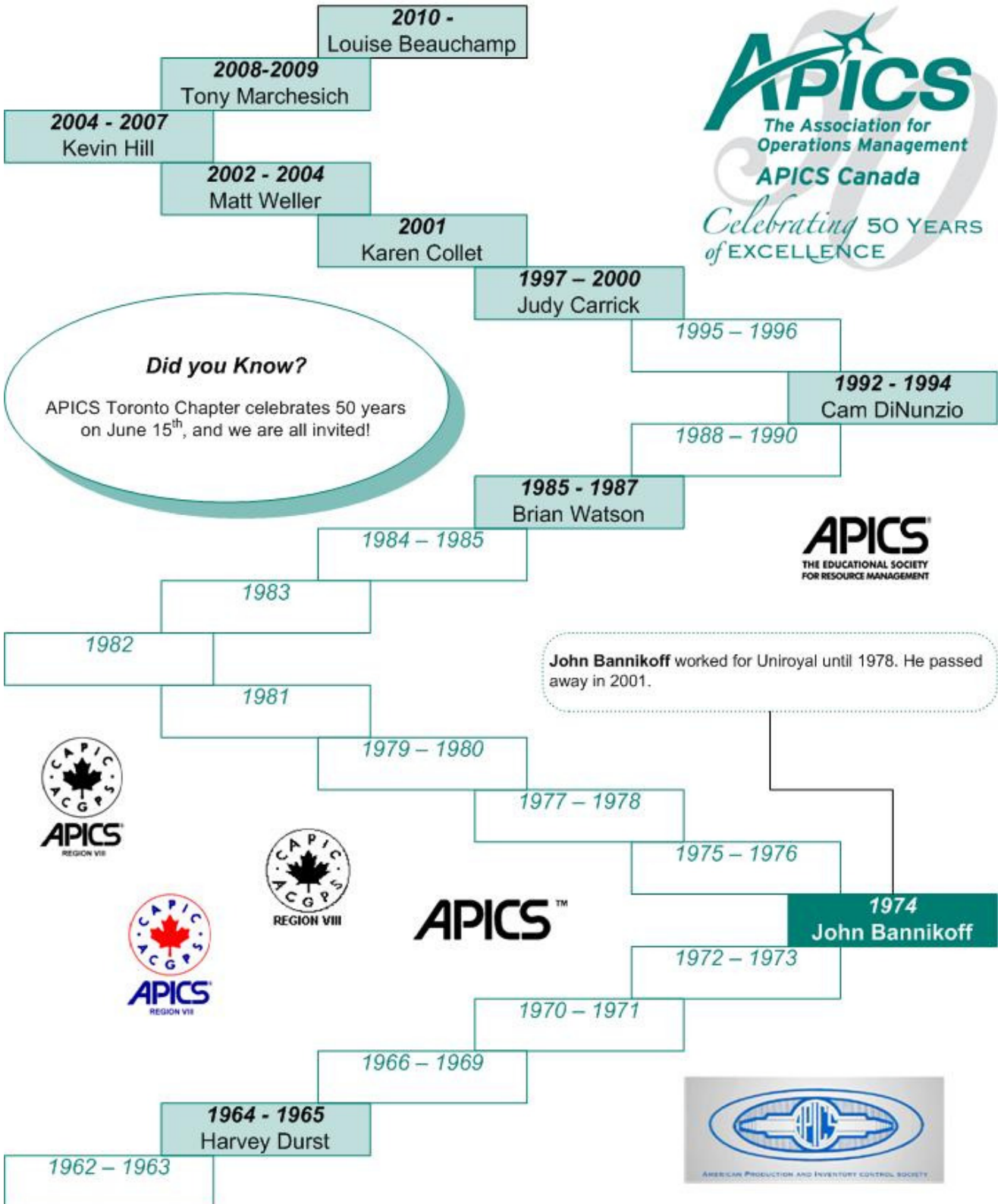
We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members who joined in April:

Ontario Grand Valley Chapter

Mark Chambers
Brian Franklin
Hamadelneil Hussein
Kyle Martin
Daniel McPherson
Ebinum Okpue
Kelly Ram
Charles Trapp

We look forward to welcoming you personally at one of our upcoming events.

Walk with us down memory lane, recognizing our presidents, as we approach our Golden Jubilee In February 2012



Did you Know?
APICS Toronto Chapter celebrates 50 years on June 15th, and we are all invited!

John Bannikoff worked for Uniroyal until 1978. He passed away in 2001.



Education Update

Proposed Fall course schedule for Conestoga College! Here is our schedule of courses for the term:

PROPOSED FALL 2011 SCHEDULE (All held at Conestoga College, 3-hour sessions, weeknights, 10-12 weeks)		
Level	Course	Campus
CPIM	Basics of Supply Chain Management	Waterloo Stratford
	Master Planning of Resources	Doon Guelph
	Detailed Scheduling and Planning	Waterloo
	Execution and Control of Operations	Doon
CSCP	Certified Supply Chain Professional	Doon

To view the course descriptions and additional details for the course offerings available this spring <http://apicsogv.org/education.php>.

EXAM VOUCHERS AT CANADIAN DOLLARS!

For a limited time the OGV chapter is selling CPIM exam vouchers in Canadian funds! For only \$145 for APICS members and \$185 for non-members, you can get a voucher to write your computer-based CPIM exam at any PearsonVue test site; including our own at Conestoga College Kitchener (Doon campus). We will have these available for sale at our professional development meetings, or contact Cynthia Klassen at profdev@apicsogv.org.

Good luck to all students!

Cynthia Klassen CPIM CSCP

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