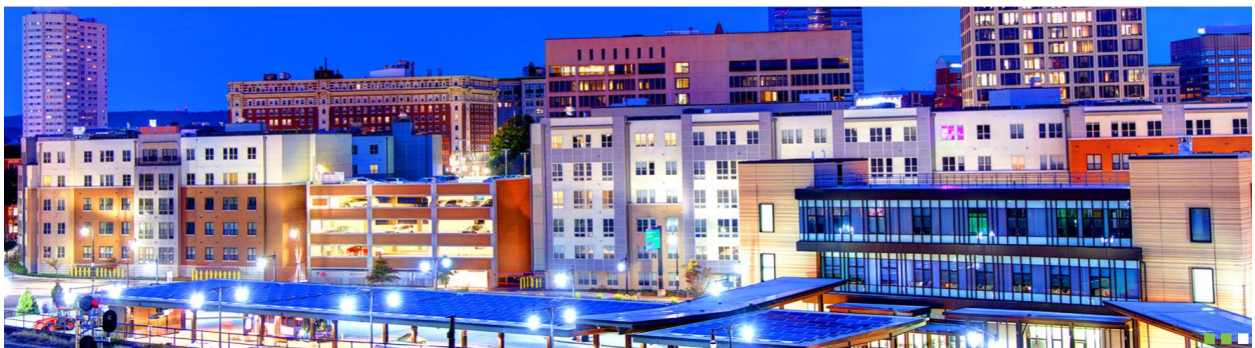
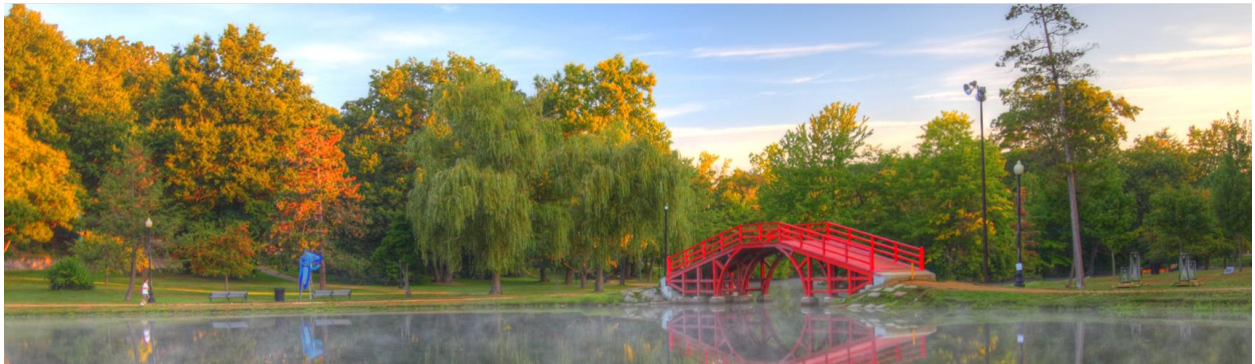


APICS/ASCM WORCESTER COUNTY CHAPTER #22 HISTORY:



Welcome to ASCM Worcester County Forum





The last President's Message:

President's Message

Welcome to the APICS, Worcester County Chapter website.

Founded in 1960, only three years after the incorporation in 1957 of APICS itself, the Worcester

Chapter is recognized as a Platinum Level chapter by APICS corporate. The Platinum designation is the highest level of recognition that can be attained by our Chapter. The Worcester Chapter Board of Directors, along with our dedicated trainers and enthusiastic students, company coordinators, and discussion leaders, has earned this designation for the Chapter by providing all of the educational and certification services that you or your company require to maximize your competitiveness for success in the global profession of operations and supply chain management.

Our educational offerings include an ongoing series of certification training and prep classes

for those seeking to achieve CSCP and CPIM designations, along with monthly Professional Development Meetings (PDMs).

Our monthly PDM's cover a wide range of topics from the latest theories on lean manufacturing, to ensuring regulatory compliance in the areas of sustainability and product life-cycle management. The dinner meetings themselves also provide an outstanding opportunity for networking for exchanging ideas with fellow operations and supply chain professionals, or possibly filling that procurement or planner position!

Chapter management excellence is an integral component to enhancing the member experience. Successful APICS chapters provide their members with opportunities for stellar education, career development, and networking.

The APICS Chapter Benchmarking and Reporting (CBAR) program recognizes chapters that have exceeded minimum standards and exemplify excellence in overall chapter management. We are proud to announce the APICS Worcester County Chapter received the 2016 CBAR Platinum Award designation, an admirable accomplishment for an APICS chapter.

As a member of an APICS Platinum Award winning chapter, the CBAR designation signifies commitment to providing an exceptional membership experience.

In closing, if you have any questions regarding joining the Chapter or APICS, or would like more information regarding our various educational offerings, please do not hesitate to contact myself or any of the Board of Directors.

Thank you for your interest,

John Crawford

President

president@worcesterapics.org

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The last Student Chapters:

Student Chapters

APICS conducts an annual Student Case Competition which includes student teams from around the U.S. Teams of four students are formed at the college or university level. The first competition is at the APICS District level. The winners there go on to compete at the APICS International Conference. The WPI chapter has had two or more teams compete at the Northeast District competition for three consecutive years and this year the undergraduate team placed 2nd.

WPI Student Chapter - Chartered 2013

Didi Dai, President

Dr.

Walter Towner, Faculty Advisor

The last Company Coordinators:

Company Coordinators

The Chapter is looking for a few good Men and Women, from our already outstanding members to become a Company Coordinator within their company. As an APICS Company Coordinator you will act as a liaison between their company and the Worcester Chapter. You will disseminate information about the monthly Chapter activities, promote the benefits of an APICS membership, explain the certification and educational programs the Chapter provides

and most importantly provide feedback to the Chapter Board of Directors regarding areas of improvement for the Chapter members. If you are interested and would like to join the Company Coordinators Program, please contact Pius Kirrane at coco@worcesterapics.org.

Company Coordinators

Fred Linden
COORDINATOR

Christine M Marley
COORDINATOR

Timothy McGinn
COORDINATOR

The last PDM's / PROGRAMS:

2019:

Brewery Tour on June 26th 2019!



June 26, 2019

5:45 PM - 7:30 PM

[Add to Calendar](#)

Greater Good Imperial Brewing

55 Millbrook St

Worcester, MA 01606

[Venue Website](#)

[Directions](#)

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Join us for a tour of the **first** all imperial brewing company in America! It took awhile to arrange this tour since it is not currently available to the public, so register today so that you don't miss out.

Tour starts promptly at 6pm with food/beverage directly after.

Thank you for being an APICS member and we hope you come to enjoy this great venue and company!

Back ground info

Greater Good Brew Co. began in 2016 with owner Paul Wengender taking his recipes to-market through a contract-brewing facility in Williamsburg, MA. For over a year, the recipes were fine-tuned and distributed locally until ground was broken at 55 Millbrook Street in Worcester, MA in late 2017. The Worcester location opened in March of 2018 and became the first official Greater Good Brewery.

“What is an Imperial beer?”

- Imperial is a term that is used to describe “big” beers. We are all-imperial, meaning that all Greater Good beers are 8% and up. The amount of hops and malt in an “Imperial”

beer can be two or three times the amount in a traditional brew. The result is a beer that is typically over 8%, regardless of style.

April 19, 2019:

PDM with guest speaker Rita Schiano

April 18, 2019

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

[Add to Calendar](#)

The Manor & Drought House

42 West Boylston Street

West Boylston, MA 01583

[Venue Website](#)

[Directions](#)

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Join us at The Manor on April 18th for important APICS updates and to hear Rita Schiano speak about improving your effectiveness in the workplace!

- Doors open at 5:30
 - Dinner starts at 6:00-6:45
 - Chapter business 6:45-7
 - Speaker 7-8 - Rita Schiano, Effective Business Writing and Presentations
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As the ASCM and APICS community continues to grow it's vital that we have a vision and clear direction at a local level. During this meeting we will discuss where the Worcester County Chapter is currently positioned and how we want to move forward together. Part of this includes selection of Board of Directors for FY19-20 and we will be voting on members. See your email for more details!

The fantastic speaker for April will be Rita Schiano and she will be covering Effective Business Writing and Presentations. If you're wondering whether this applicable to you, I can assure you the answer is YES! We are constantly communicating with other people and the need for effectiveness is greater now more than ever before. Although Rita may be talking more directly to communication in a business setting there will be plenty of info and insights that you can use and share in any aspect of your life.

Rita Schiano



Rita Schiano is the founder of Live A Flourishing Life™ which offers strategic resilience-building personal and professional development programs that strengthen work relationships through team building, stress management, effective communication, and critical and creative thinking skills. As a former corporate vice-president and small business owner, Rita's leadership knowledge, strategies, and insights draw from both sides of the aisle.

Rita is the author of several books, including Live A Flourishing Life, a stress management and resilience-building process workbook; the critically-acclaimed, semi-autobiographical novel Painting The Invisible Man, and Sweet Bitter Love, as well as numerous articles for The

Huffington Post / AOL Healthy Living, the Worcester Business Journal, and guest blogger for Psychology Today.

Rita is an adjunct professor at The American Women's College of Bay Path University. She is a Professional Member of the National Speakers Association.

2018:

Nov 2018 PDM @ Community Harvest Project

November 29, 2018

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

[Add to Calendar](#)

Community Harvest Project

37 Wheeler Rd

North Grafton, MA 01536

[Venue Website](#)

[Directions](#)

Please join us on Nov 29th for a unique PDM at the Community Harvest Project!!!

Topic: Supply Chain Challenges in Local Food and Agriculture

Speaker: Rozie Schleinig

- 6:00pm - Doors open - Networking
- 6:30pm - Dinner provided by Birch Tree Bread Co.
- 7:00pm - Speaker
- 7:45pm - Chapter business

[Community Harvest Project](#) is a non-profit farm that engages volunteers to grow fresh fruits and vegetables to provide to those experiencing hunger. Through their volunteer farming programs, education initiatives, and community partnerships, they bring thousands of community members together each year to improve access to healthy foods for individuals and families in need across Worcester County.

Rozie Schleinig



Rozie got her start in local food in high school, working in the store at Ward's Berry Farm (right up the street from Red Tomato's offices). After graduating from Rhodes College, Rozie stayed in Memphis, TN, working as the assistant manager for Bring It Food Hub. Homesick for snowy winters and the Rhode Island coastline, Rozie moved back to apprentice on a farm in Massachusetts. In early 2016 she joined Red Tomato as a Supply Chain Associate, where she now facilitates the Direct Store Delivery program and helps to grow Red Tomato's capacity to deliver delicious produce to stores and institutions throughout New England.

In addition to her work at Red Tomato, Rozie serves on the [New England Farm & Sea to Campus Supply Chain Development Working Group](#), and serves on the [Rhode Island Food Policy Council](#)!

FREE for APICS Members !!! Member Appreciation Night & PDM, 6/28/18

June 28, 2018

5:45 PM - 7:30 PM

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The Manor & Drought House

42 West Boylston Street

West Boylston, MA 01583

[Venue Website](#)

[Directions](#)

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Join us on 6/28 for Member Appreciation Night!!

Agenda:

- 5:45-6:15 Check-in & Networking
- 6:15-6:30 Chapter Business
- 6:30-7:00 Dinner
- 7:00-7:30 Member Recognition and brief presentation

Are you interested in helping shape the future of our Chapter? Nominate yourself or someone else for the 2018/19 Chapter 22 Board of Directors. See form online at BOD Nomination

See next page:

03/15/18: APICS PDM with ASQ - Lean Supply Chain/ Human Factors, Human Performance, and Safety Systems

March 15, 2018

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

[Add to Calendar](#)

Holiday Inn

265 Lakeside Avenue

Marlborough, MA 01752

[Directions](#)

Join us for a joint PDM with APICS and ASQ March 15th, 2018

Holiday Inn, 265 Lakeside Avenue, Marlborough, MA

[View Map](#)

6pm Pre-Dinner Topic: Lean Supply Chain Workshop presented by Richard Bivins

The workshop will focus on how supply chain can be improved using Lean tools and techniques.

Richard Bivins is an experienced production and supply chain professional whose industrial experience encompasses heavy, high-tech and military systems development and production, Theory of Constraints, Lean Six Sigma With CPIM, CSCP certifications plus Lean Expert, Lean Six Sigma Champion, and Master Black Belt, he is highly effective in solving problems creatively, on time and under budget. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Boston Chapter of APICS.

A native of Texas, he holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics from West Texas A&M University and did graduate early-stage work in microeconomic industrial behavioral

psychology at Alliant International University in San Diego and holds State of Massachusetts Educator licenses in Business and History.

Presenter Richard Bivins is a consultant and trainer for QPS, international consulting and training firm which HQ is located in Marlborough, MA.

He can be reached at richardb@qpsinc.com

6:45 Dinner Buffet

7:30 Post Dinner Topic: Human Factors, Human Performance, and Safety Systems – presented by Dr. Cher Nicholas

Today's work systems are mostly directed by machines (automation, vision systems, etc.). In many cases, the machine is viewed as the "performance system" and errors are generally directed to the human worker. However, what is seldom considered is the capacity and constraints of the human-machine system and how errors can occur in complex technical systems.

Dr. Nicholas will discuss some topics in human factors which shed light on why and how human errors can be made.

Cher Nicholas is a multidisciplinary engineer and researcher. She has her Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering specializing in Human Factors, Psychology, and Human Error. Her research studied the impact of interruptions on human performance and included developing error mitigation techniques to improve performance and safety. Her work in Human Factors and Cognitive Engineering methods contributes to a risk management process by identifying the knowledge experts use to solve complex problems. She also focuses on the human-machine interface issues that is often overlooked in identifying solutions to improve safety and quality enterprise systems. She holds four certifications from the American Society for Quality; CQE, CQA, CMQ/OE, CSSBB and is certified as an ISO 9001:2008 Lead Quality Auditor. She is also certified as a Master Lean Practitioner from the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

2017:

Atlas Distributing Plant Tour November 9, 2017

November 09, 2017

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

[Add to Calendar](#)

Atlas Distributing
44 Southbridge St
Auburn, MA 01501

[Venue Website](#)

[Directions](#)

Join Worcester APICS for a unique plant tour at Atlas Distributing on Nov 9th to see logistics and supply chain excellence in action!!!

Atlas Distributing, Inc. is a family owned and operated, full-service beer and beverage distribution company servicing customers, consumers, and the community since 1933. We are proud, honored, and humbled to be serving this community for over 83 years!

The company's competitive advantage is its people. They are a hard working, dedicated group of men and women who have committed to excellence in customer service. It is a culture and passion that runs deep throughout the entire organization. They have heavily invested in draft services, graphic design, and sales and merchandising departments which have evolved to the point where Atlas has set the standard for excellence in beer marketing, sales, merchandising, and execution.

5:30 -6:15pm - Registration and networking

6:15pm - Tour begins

7:30pm - Wrap up and appetizers

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