



The Wichita Chapter presents

Tom Schulte on

Everything You Wanted to Know

About Lean- but were

Afraid to Ask!

April 14, 2010
8:30 am – 4:30 pm

This full-day event promises to be educational and informative for everyone within your organization.

Registration includes:

- Donuts & coffee
- Lunch
- Certificate of Completion
- 7 hours of credit towards CPIM/CSCP re-certification

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Seminar Logistics

You can register for the workshop by sending a check payable to APICS Wichita and this registration blank by April 7, 2010 to:

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Or bring registration and check to the Mar 9th PDM, room providing. Please register early to ensure your seat at this event.

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The Cost is \$199 for members of APICS, IIE, PMI, ASQ, NAPM, \$250 for non-members and \$75 for full-time students. The registration fee includes the Apr 13th Professional Development Meeting (PDM)

How to Stay Positive in a Tough Work Environment, with a dinner. Special rate for 5 or more in attendance from one company - \$175.

The Seminar and PDM will be located at Wichita Area Technical College, 47th St. Campus.

Everything You Wanted to Know About *LEAN* . . . But Were Afraid to Ask!

It seems at times that the business world has become obsessed with *lean* . . . and maybe it has. Ever since Henry Ford invented the assembly line, industrial innovators have constantly focused on improvement through a variety of different manufacturing and operating strategies. *Lean* manufacturing is a manufacturing strategy that works to produce a high level of throughput with a minimum of inventory.

Originally a Japanese methodology known as the Toyota Production System designed by Sakichi Toyoda, *lean* manufacturing or *lean* production, (which is often known more simply as “*lean*”), is a production practice that considers the use of resources for anything except creating value to the end customer to be wasteful . . . and therefore should be eliminated. Looking at it from the customers perspective, “value” is defined as any action or process that a customer would be willing to pay for. Basically, *lean* is the effort to create more value with less work. That simply means identifying “non-value” activities and eliminating them.

In the end, success isn’t so much about applying expensive, complicated *lean* projects as much as it is about creating

a *lean* culture where every person in the business understands and applies the basic principles and methods for identifying and eliminating waste. This kind of culture encourages and empowers every person to have a passion for making improvements to their process every day.

So where do you begin? The answer is, you begin with a new understanding of how you look at your everyday activities. You have to ask the question, “*What really adds the kind of value to the customer and to the business that is necessary to survive and grow in these competitive times?*” What does NOT add value or promote growth is wasteful processes and practices. That is where the simple but effective *lean* tools and methods that are needed. They make it possible for everyone in the business to identify and reduce waste. This interactive workshop will clearly teach the foundational understandings and most common *lean* tools needed for you and your work team to begin applying *lean* concepts to improve your work processes and activities.

Upon completion, you will be able to:

- Identify continuous improvement concepts such as *value* and *quality*.
- Recognize the significance of processes for continuous improvement.
- Recognize the significance of variability.
- Understand standard work and its application in the workplace.
- Describe the importance of *process adherence*.
- Recognize the importance of error proofing.

- Understand the 5S methodology and its application in the workplace.
- Analyze a value stream to identify work and wait components.
- Identify and eliminate waste in your work processes.
- Apply learned CI concepts to your job environment.

About the presenter –



Tom Schulte currently works as a private consultant utilizing his knowledge and skills to help businesses “reawaken” the involvement, leadership, teamwork and spirits of their

managers and associates. He has been an invited speaker at most of the APICS International Conferences the past 14 years and was the highest rated speaker at the Conference many times including 1998, 2002, 2003 & 2004. Tom also was awarded the best speaker award at the 2003 SAPICS conference in South Africa.

His ability to weave his years of corporate experience, life experiences and sense of humor into common sense presentations, combined with his enthusiasm and energy make his presentations and workshops dynamic, meaningful, motivating and fun to attend.