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*Douglas Dahl—Manager Boeing—Salt Lake City, Utah*

"Professional involvement keeps a person from seeing the work place in a narrow perspective."

"The association with other APICS members helped me network and provided a resource of associates who could answer questions how they handled particular situations."

"If a company does things because "that's the way we've always done it", involvement in a professional organization is the quickest way to either validate the practice or to expose it's flaws."

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team has APICS training gives me a comfort level that processes and improvements are being done correctly allowing me to focus on other aspects of the business."

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There are 20 jobs listed on the APICS Utah Website!

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- Operations Manager
- Supply Chain Mgr
- Senior Buyer
- And many more

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE—GRANT DALTON**

**We are starting off to a great year.** This month's PDM is 'How to select ERP Software' More and more companies are using this powerful tool to help them manage their production and inventory. Learn how to select the right software for your company.

We had a successful August PDM and September was full with Utah States Partners in Business, Operational Excellence Seminar and the APICS International Conference and Expo. the APICS International Conference was very well attended with very informative seminars.

If you were not able to make it check out the pictures at [www.APICS.org](http://www.APICS.org).

Our PDM with Bill Becker of Fastenal was a lot of fun. We had an excellent dinner at Maddox Steak House and afterwards Bill presented techniques that we can all use to maximize our inventory investment, cut costs and build stronger relationships with our suppliers.

We are now offering an APICS Lean Enterprise Workshop. contact me

at 801-549-8220 or send me an email at [SLBOD@Apics.org](mailto:SLBOD@Apics.org) for more information. Also Check out the new APICS Operations Management Body of Knowledge Framework. Available exclusively to APICS members. Go to [APICS.org](http://APICS.org) for details.

We will be planning in October for the rest of the year. Hope to see you at the next PDM in November. Happy Halloween.

**THIS MONTH'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENT****How To Select ERP Software.**

Choosing the right software to run your business is HARD, FRIGHTNING, and EXHAUSTING! If you are lucky, you will only have to go through it once, or twice in your career. How can we be 'experts' in something done so infrequently.

Our October PDM will attack conventional methods and offer common sense alternatives to tackle this task.

Andy Pratico, of Infor, has been in the ERP world for

many years. He has studied what leads companies to successful selection and has witnessed failures as well.

Andy will be leading a 1 hour webinar on this topic. For your convenience, it will be held at lunch time.

We are pleased to offer this webinar at no charge to APICS members.

**Date:** Wed, 10/22/08

**Time:** 12:00—1:00p

**Cost:** \$0 for APICS Members

\$10 for non-members

\$5 for Students

**Members may RSVP by emailing [merri.rich@infor.com](mailto:merri.rich@infor.com)**

**Non-members, and students may RSVP and Pay in one step by going to <http://apicsutah.org/register.php>**

**If you have questions, please call Merri Rich at 801.244.9273 or email [merri.rich@infor.com](mailto:merri.rich@infor.com)**



**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS (SUMMARY)****October**

22      PDM—How to Select ERP Software—Webinar—details pg 2

**November**

5      Plant Tour—Hart Scientific

**January**

15      PDM—UPS, Garrett Greer, Supply Chain/Account Manager for Cabellas

**February**

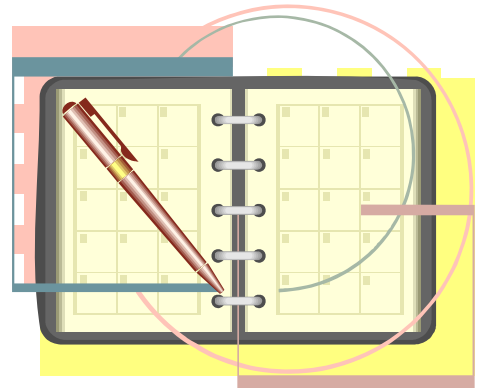
19      PDM—Globalization and Impact on Inventory Management

**March**

12      PDM—joint with NAPM Dr Steve Nadaul

**May**

20      PDM—Top Management Night

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**Salt Lake APICS Chapter**, in partnership with Weber State University, offers all the courses to prepare individuals for certification exams in Production and Inventory Management and Supply Chain Management.

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Operations Management, Communications, Customer Service, Information Technology, Leadership and Supervision to name a few.

For information about these programs, contact Bill Cochran, Salt Lake Chapter VP Education, at 801-626-7271 or [bcochran@weber.edu](mailto:bcochran@weber.edu). Also visit our training Web site at [weber.edu/businesstraining](http://weber.edu/businesstraining).

**"The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn."**

-- Alvin Toffler



**For Complete Information** To view course descriptions, registration information, etc, please go to [www.APICSUtah.org](http://www.APICSUtah.org)

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**Volunteers are seldom paid; not because they are worthless, but because they are PRICELESS! –author unknown**

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