



*W*hew! It's hot and it's definitely cooking outside! But so are things for the new district...

Your Region Transition Teams and new District Management Team have been putting in the extra hours working out details for the coming year. We have been pushing hard to get the 2008 Calendar of Events nailed down. The teams, representing over thirteen chapters from the new district, settled on a "3 Plus" model for meetings and information sharing in 2008. This means we will hold three all-district meetings which will allow the opportunity for chapter volunteers/leaders to attend meetings in person for on-site training, information gathering/sharing and networking. The "Plus" comes in with the inclusion of technology sessions each month through webinars. The district will be sponsoring monthly webinars for our chapter volunteers/leaders – a nice feature gladly borrowed from our friends of old Region 4 (more details below).

As you can imagine, the details are tremendous and getting everything close enough by the end of July was not in the cards. However, I am proud to present to you today for the Southeast District the following Calendar of Events for 2008:

- January: Webinar session
- February: All-District Meeting – Orlando, FL
- March: Webinar session
- April: Webinar session
- May: Webinar session
- June: All-District Meeting – Raleigh, NC
- July: Webinar session
- August: Webinar session
- September: Webinar session
- Note: APICS International Conference: Sept, 14-16, Kansas City, KS
- October: All-District Meeting – Chattanooga, TN
- November: Webinar session
- December: Webinar session

The Webinar session will be a 1-hour webinar where the District staff will share various topics of interest and information with the chapters. Total time of the session will provide enough time for questions to be fielded interactively. Chapter volunteers/leaders will be provided details to 'attend' the webinars (free-of charge) each month presented. The goal here is to provide an additional opportunity to share information/best practices amongst the chapter volunteers. The first couple of webinar sessions will be developed by the district staff, but as we move forward; the chapters will provide content suggestions for session topics (Voice of the Customer). Concurrently, we will be varying the exact time of the webinar events where some will fall during lunch hours, others will fall during early evening hours. This may provide an opportunity for several chapters to allow entire

BODs to take in a webinar session together. Another attempt to share information/best practices amongst our chapter volunteers/leaders.

I'm sure you have already noticed exact the dates/times were not listed. We are working on those final details over the next several weeks. The goal today was to provide with you the firm schedule for chapter planning and budgeting. Stay tuned – there will be more details coming! If you have questions, please feel free to contact any member of the District Management Team.

Short and sweet this time! We have additional activities underway; website task force, Chapter Support Team, initiation of program scheduling, and the list continues... Each region has one final meeting upon us soon. I will be asking each RVP to share a status of where the district stands at that point along with a review of the Calendar of Events for 2008. Expect additional details then.

## *Special Note:*

This has been a grand adventure so far with much of the journey yet to come. The region transition teams have been absolutely incredible and truly an asset to the entire process. I can not express my gratitude enough. The Southeast District has a strong foundation upon which we will launch into 2008. Each of the transition team members are the reason this foundation is in place. As the baton passes to the new District Management Team, the excitement builds. We have something special, very special building... **Thanks all!! You have made this so much easier!**

### **Transition Teams:**

Betsy Tucker – Region 12  
Arvil Sexton – Region 12  
Bob Castleman – Region 12  
Denise Gillespie – Region 4  
Alma Ballard – Region 4  
Fred Tolbert – Region 4  
Scott Campbell – Region 11  
Wilson Grab – Region 11  
Lisa Ross – Region 4

Thanx, Kc. Kasserman  
2007 Vice President  
Region 11 APICS  
2008 District Manager

***Southeast District APICS Advancing Productivity and Innovation for Chapter Success***

[kkasserman@rfmd.com](mailto:kkasserman@rfmd.com)

ph: 336.931.7913

fx: 336.678.0025