



May 2011

Join us on May 17th for our final dinner meeting of the 2010-2011 program year which will feature Kim DeVico. Kim will present information on Operational Excellence and share her Six Sigma Black Belt experiences.

Kim joined Country Financial in 2008 as a project manager in Corporate Training and Development. She was named as one of three initial Six Sigma Black Belts in the company's new Operational Excellence Department. Her original training project resulted in over \$1.13 million annual savings for the company. In November of 2010, DeVico was the first OE Black Belt to complete full certification requirements. She currently leads the new system and process redesign effort in Property-Casualty Billing, forming strategy heavily incorporating Six Sigma methodologies and tools.

DeVico's professional background involves technical project management, consulting, training, and change management. Prior to employment with Country Financial, she worked for the technology consulting firm, Burwood Group Inc. She has completed undergraduate and graduate studies in developmental psychology and is a current Master Business Administration candidate at Illinois State University's College of Business.

Reservation Information

To make your reservation, please RSVP via our website, www.napm-centralillinois.org by **Wednesday, May 11, 2011**. The cost for the dinner meeting is \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members. Make all checks payable to NAPM-Central Illinois. The dinner meeting will be held at Baxter's American Grille, 3212 East Empire in Bloomington, Illinois.

Please note the revised CPSM dates below. Dr. Russ Morey conducts the review sessions.

CPSM Module II - Review Session	May 3, 2011	8:00-4:00
CPSM Module III - Review Session	June 14, 2011	8:00-4:00

This time of year, the Board of Directors for NAPM-Central Illinois prepares for the upcoming educational year. Several of our current board members will transition off the board at the end of May.

Please consider serving on the Board! Committees include Finance, Education, Marketing, and Communication. Participation on the board involves a 3 year commitment, with responsibilities changing from year to year if desired. Board meetings are held 30 minutes before the dinner meetings. Additional meetings include a ½ day planning session in March and a summer planning meeting usually held in June. Consider the following benefits of serving:

- You will gain valuable contacts and network with new people in your profession
- You will build and enhance your leadership skills
- You will increase your business acumen
- You will expand your resume
- You will have a voice in setting the direction of the local affiliate

Thanks in advance for your consideration. If you are interested in a specific committee or role, please contact any current Board member.

Last month, a survey was sent to all members asking for your ideas and input. Please return this by May 1, 2011 if you have not already done so. The Central Illinois board thanks you in advance!



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