

APICS Template 4.3 Features and Recent Release History

iChapter Network

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Release History

Below is a list of features added to the APICS Template Release 4.3 dated 03.22.09

This version introduces a number of new features and fixes some known issues related to the introduction of 4.0:

- **JavaScript prevents Last Names with a dash.** This is now allowed.
- **CCDisc is not allowed for students by default, Board get CCDisc**
- **Student pricing overrides Board pricing** (if student is also a board member)
- **Removed all the Multi-Mode reservation processing files.** These files were designed for earlier versions of the template but no longer apply. A newer version of Multi-Mode will be coming soon.
- **Meal-Type was not being saved** starting in release 4.0. Due to testing code left in on Release 4.0 and higher, the Meal Type selection a visitor to the web site changed was not saved. This is now working correctly.
- **Maps not available until iChapter completes request** (blank graphics show). The template will **now show the physical address** if the graphical map has not been created by iChapter network Technical Support. Also shows links to on-line map services such as <http://maps.google.com>.
- **New Support for Biographies** – these bios can be loaded in the iChapter backend and will appear on the chapter web site when an instructor name is clicked on, same for speakers in the calendar.
- **CC Receipt Mail Box** – iChapter now supports sending a copy of Credit Card (CC) email receipts to: cc_receipts@chaptername.org. In addition, the treasurer or board person working the check-in table can also be copied.
- **Diags folder enhanced** – The diagnostics folder now supports much more information for troubleshooting of issues related to specific member records. (mostly this supports iChapter Technical staff but also it allows troubleshooting of issues to be addressed much more quickly than before).

Below is a list of features added to the APICS Template Release 4.2 dated 01.09.09

XML Web Service – Performance Enhancement

Because of iChapter growth with APICS chapters, the current SCSI database access performance is suffering. Response times are slowing down and concurrent access during peak traffic can cause momentary outages. A memory drive has been added to the APICS server to address and eliminate this concern.

- Added support for InternetRAM DSN which is a memory based set of information mostly identical to Internet database
- Memory based data can be up-to 50 times faster than a SCSI hard drive
- Typical web pages can load up to 50% faster
- Supports web site **Calendar, Events and Recognition** pages
- Data is re-loaded automatically anytime server gets rebooted
- Data is synched every morning at 5:00a EST
- Critical data is synched with memory drive in real-time (like Instructor, Company Coordinator and Speaker info)

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Last Data Update added to Certification Recognition pages

- The CFPIM, CPIM, CIRM and CSCP recognition pages now have the date the page was last updated stamp, based on last SAMCA import data date

Further Refinements to the Recognition CEU (Continuing Education Units) Report

- Report is more clear in regards to event type
- Report now ties back to and Invoice/Receipt number

New "Recent Speakers" page added to Recognition

- Auto-populates list of chapter speakers (dinner meetings and seminars)
- Uses events from last two years

New "Recent Plant Tours" page added to Recognition

- Auto-populates list of recent company tours
- Uses events from last two years

BackOffice Pages

- Fixed a hyper-link problem on the "file info" page buried two layers deep to be able to return to the main iChapter BackOffice page for the chapter

Non-Member Record Creation

- Fixed a problem with the single character in a name with single quote, like ' .
- Verified non-member processing (all the other information)

Below is list of new features added to the APICS Template Release **4.1** dated **10.31.08**

- [Global Source Workshop Series added](#) to the template as a stand alone education offering.
- Modifications made to users trying to tie themselves to a corporate membership.
- Corrected problems with the Recognition CEU (Continuing Education Units) Report

Below is list of new features added to the APICS Template Release **4.0** dated **08.19.08**

- [Web Site User now has to login](#) (password only) allowing more member features to be added in the near future and increasing the security of each users information
 - Password can automatically be sent to person if email is on file
 - Once logged in, user will **not** have to re-enter password unless there is no user activity on the web site for a period of six-months maintaining an important user friendliness feature iChapter has always had
 - Each users information on-line is more secure
 - Users can no longer register for others
 - Members Only section added to the template
 - Other features to be added in the coming year
- [Users can now tie themselves to a Corporate \(Enterprise\) Membership](#)
 - Visitor must know the national assigned number

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- Expiration date, work mailing address and a non-member type code of CU is updated in the specific record
- [Reservation Cancellations w/Payment generate eMail to Chapter Admin](#)
 - Credit Card paid reservations will now generate an eMail when the reservation is cancelled on-line. eMail goes to the chapter admin address on file
- [Global.asax File Updated with New Variables](#)
 - **Suffix** has been added to Application("FirstLastCert") which covers needs like III after a last name
 - Application("MEMBERSONLY") – an ON/OFF setting when a profile is set and the person has membership in the chapter that is current
 - Application("TIMEZONE") – automatically knows what time zone a server account is set in. Values are (PST), (CST), (MST) and (EST)
 - Application("SENDEMAIL") – an ON/OFF setting which can turn off sending email for testing purposes of when development is being done on a server with no eMail SMTP account (like the iChapter test server)
- [Corrected Slow Certification Recognition pages](#)
 - Still had selection code (WHERE statement) that was using nested queries and not the newer process as used on Atlanta.
- [Recognition default page](#)
 - Fixed a navigation problem on Officers, Directors and Advisor links