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The Forum Program

The topic for the Forum presentation is “Using our Everyday Economic Statistics to Forecast the Near-term Movements of the Economy” Dr. Clayton will explain how professional economists use a handful of everyday economic statistics to forecast changes in the GDP which is widely recognized as our best and most inclusive measure of overall economic welfare. One of his favorite series is the ISM’s PMI index.

The Dinner Program

Our Dinner Program will focus on - the Economic Forecast: 2006. Richard Stevie and George Vredeveld, leaders in the regional economic community will be the presenters. They return for the 6th year and will again offer their observations and expectations for the local, regional, national and international economic environments in which we must work as purchasing professionals.

Speaker Background

Richard Stevie has been General Manager of the Market Analysis Department of Cinergy Corporation since 1996. In this capacity Dick is responsible for forecasting, market research, load research, and energy efficiency program design. Before the merger of PSI Energy and the Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, he was Senior Economist for CG&E, responsible for gas and electric load forecasts. Dick serves as Chair of the Economic Advisory Committee for the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Cincinnati Enquirer’s Board of Economists. Mr. Stevie has a BA in economics from Thomas More College, MA and Ph.D. in economics from the University of Cincinnati. George Vredeveld is a professor of Economics at the University of Cincinnati and is the director of its Center for Economic Education. The Center Schools Division provides training for teachers and curriculum consultation for area schools. The Center’s Economics Research

data analysis for business and public organizations. Professor Vredeveld’s recent research has focused on factors that affect regional economic development, including education and the quality of the labor market. He has directed studies on the linkage of downtown to the suburbs in Cincinnati, demand for graduates of our schools, labor markets in our region, and the role of education in meeting the needs of industry. Professor Vredeveld has a B.A. degree from Calvin College, M.A. degree from Purdue University, and a Ph.D. in economics from Indiana University.

Cost: \$ 25.00

NAPM-C Dinner Meeting
January 10, 2006

5:30 p.m. Forum: “Using our Everyday Economic Statistics to Forecast the Near-term Movements of the Economy” by Dr. Clayton

7:15 p.m. After Dinner: “The Economic Forecast: 2006” by Richard Stevie and George Vredeveld

Please call 513-752-6440 before January 6th or E-Mail John Wenderfer@JWENDERF@STELIZABETH.COM to make reservations for the Forum & the Dinner Program

Is Your Information Correct?

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