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March PDM: The Human Side of AI

Lorenz Pallhuber
Co-founder, Didero



This PDM provides a practical introduction to Agentic AI and what it means for modern supply chains. Using real-world supply chain examples and case studies, we'll show how Agentic AI systems can operate across planning, procurement, operations, and supplier work-

flows. Participants will leave with a practical way to identify high-value use cases and assess where Agentic AI can have the greatest impact in their own environments.

Following the presentation, there will be peer-to-peer roundtable discussions during dinner, moderated by Didero executives, focusing on the people implications of AI adoption. We'll explore what AI means for team structures, roles, and capacity - including how leaders should think about hiring, reskilling, and redeploying talent as automation increases. The discussion will address common fears around AI, how to talk about AI internally, and how to bring teams along without resistance or uncertainty. We'll also examine how AI can improve job satisfaction by removing low-value, repetitive work, allowing teams to focus on higher-impact initiatives. The evening is designed as a candid, peer-level conversation grounded in real operational experience, with attendees walking away with clearer perspectives on how to lead through AI-driven change.

Lorenz Pallhuber spent his career at McKinsey advising Fortune 500 companies on AI, supply chain and procurement. He is now a co-founder of Didero, working on AI systems used across complex operational environments. He holds degrees from Stanford and Cambridge.

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PDM DETAILS

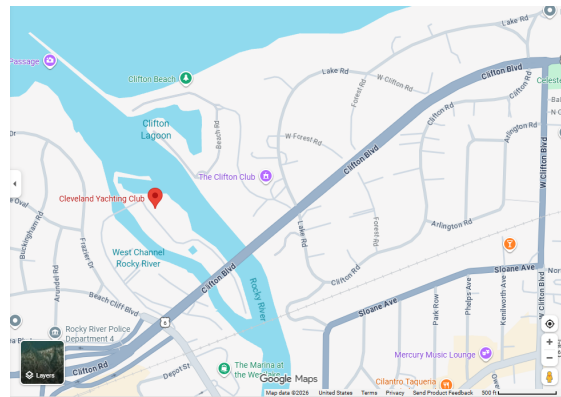
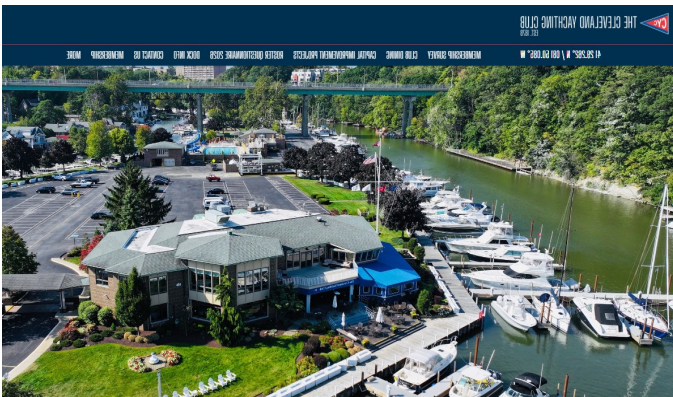
Topic:	The Human Side of AI	
Speaker :	Lorenz Pallhuber	
Location:	Merwin's Warf 1785 Merwin Ave Cleveland, Ohio 44113 216-664-5696	
Date:	Wednesday, March 25, 2026	
Agenda:	5:30—6:00 PM	Registration / Networking
	6:00—7:00 PM	Dinner
	7:00—8:30 PM	Presentation/ Discussion / Adjourn
Admission:	ASCM Member	\$30.00
	Non-Member	\$35.00
	Student	\$15.00
	<i>*Price includes 1 free drink ticket</i>	
Points	Receive One Certification Maintenance Point for each PDM attended.	
Registration:	Registration Link	
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Didero is a Stanford-founded technology company building advanced AI agents to automate complex, high-volume supply chain and procurement operations, putting key source-to-pay workflows on auto-pilot. The company has raised more than \$37M from several of Silicon Valley's most prominent VC funds and institutional investors, including Microsoft.

Save the date...

Wednesday, April 15th, 2026 (5:30 - 8:30)
Special Joint Meeting with Cleveland SHRM
Cleveland Society for Human Resource Management
Meeting Location will be at the Cleveland Yacht Club
200 Yacht Club DR, Rocky River, OH 44116



Our intent for this collaboration is to establish regular engagement between ASCM Cleveland and Cleveland SHRM to enhance visibility of our mutual educational opportunities and support membership growth for both organizations.

Our guest speaker Christina Moran, PHD Vice President, Strategic Programming for CSHRM and leader of People Operations for Then Design Architecture will speak regarding hiring trends, supply chain employment opportunities, training, benefits, employment satisfaction and retention, industry trends.



ABOUT CLEVELAND SHRM

The Cleveland Society for Human Resource Management (CSHRM) is the local affiliate chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), an international organization comprised of over 300,000+ human resource professionals in over 165 countries.

SHRM, the Society for Human Resource Management, creates better workplaces where employers and employees thrive together. As the voice of all things work, workers and the workplace, SHRM is the foremost expert, convener and thought leader on issues impacting today's evolving workplaces.

Cleveland SHRM is comprised of over 600 human resource professionals working in Cuyahoga, Medina, Summit, Lorain, Lake, Portage, and Stark Counties, just to name a few.



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ASCM Cleveland Chapter – Education Partnership

The ASCM Cleveland Chapter has partnered with the ASCM Akron Chapter to provide online classes (CPIM, CSCP, CLTD, CTSC, and Foundations) and self-study materials for members at discounted pricing.

Salary surveys consistently show that APICS-certified professionals earn more than their peers. In addition, they get hired and promoted faster, since companies increasingly list "APICS certification preferred" in their job postings. Our chapter wants to make it easier for you to get an APICS certification. All our classes meet ONLINE with live instruction. Classes are offered on weekdays and weekends, day and evening, with weekday evenings being the most popular.

- CSCP (Certified Supply Chain Professional)
- CPIM (Certified in Planning & Inventory Management) More information and registration materials are located at <https://akron.ascm.org/cpim/>
- CLTD (Certified in Logistics, Transportation & Distribution) and CTSC (Certified in Transformation for Supply Chains) online classes are also **being offered in 2026**. Would you like to get on the mailing list for these classes? If so, please email education@ascmAkron.org

Self-study packages for the CPIM, CSCP, CLTD, and CTSC certifications, as well as all the ASCM certificate programs and the Foundations modules, are available from our chapter at discounted pricing. Our packages include additional study materials not available from ASCM directly. These educational offerings are listed at <https://akron.ascm.org/education/>

ASCM Cleveland Members can save **20–25%** when purchasing **APICS certification bundles** and **ASCM certificate self-study packages** through the ASCM Akron Chapter

Are you interested in furthering your supply chain related education, but not sure where to start? Feel free to email education@ascmAkron.org or call 330-668-6084 for personalized assistance.

Thank you.

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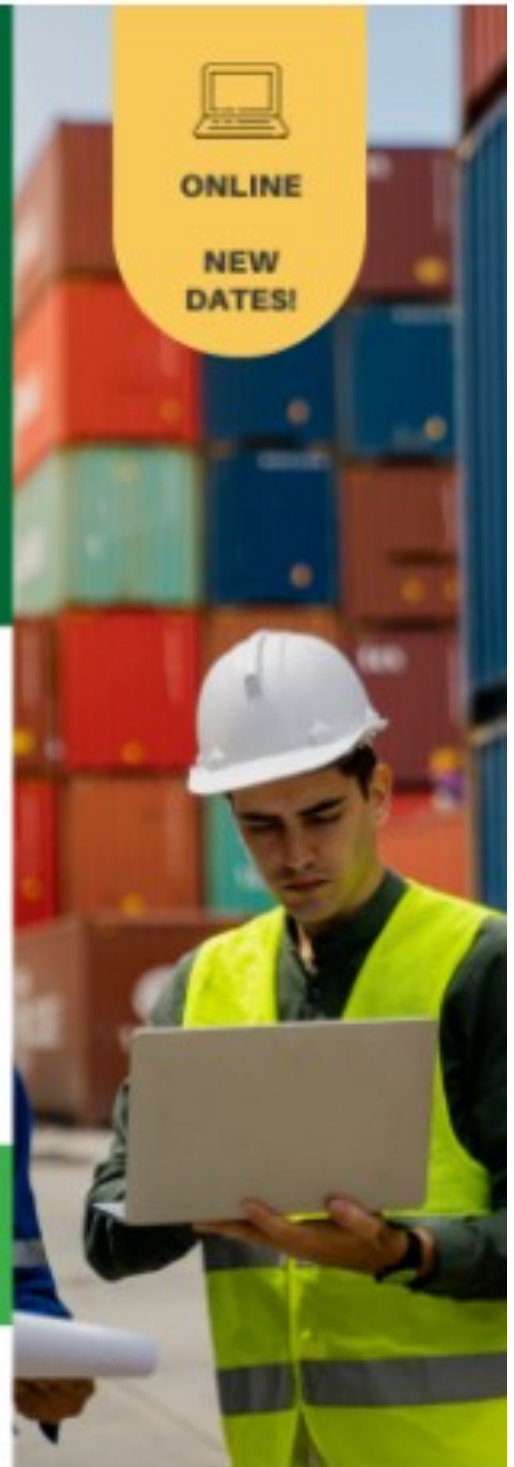
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ASCM - Chapter Membership & Anniversaries

February, 2026

Congratulations!!! New Members

First Name	Last Name	Date joined
Sibi Mon	Kalarikkal	2/6/2026
Nickolas	Martin	2/10/2026
Aaron	Convery	2/21/2026

Anniversaries

Anniversaries (congrats to YOU!!)
February

First Name	Last Name	Date joined	Year	Tenure
Joyce	Lewis	2/13/1992	1992	34 Years
Matthew	Mayher	2/19/1999	1999	27 Years
David	Reed	2/3/2010	2010	16 Years
Jason	Miskiewicz	2/13/2013	2013	13 Years
Cynthia	Jackson	2/7/2015	2015	11Years
Daniela	Aguilera	2/10/2018	2018	8 Years
Randy	Mingee	2/13/2019	2019	7 Years
Matthew	Brown	2/3/2023	2023	3 Years
Cassandra	Zavesky	2/15/2023	2023	3 Years
Samuel	Miller	2/22/2024	2024	2 Years
Michael	Humphrey	2/12/2025	2025	1Years
Valerie	LaRiche	2/21/2025	2025	1Years

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