

Calendar of Events

- August 19, 2009
Jumpstart Construction Smart Move Webinar
- September 14-18
Microsoft Dynamics GP User Group in Chicago, IL
- September 16-18
Microsoft Dynamics SL User Group in Coronado, CA
- November 7-8,
2009 Design-Build Conference and Expo
- January 19-23,
2010 International Builder's Show in Las Vegas, NV
- February 2-5, 2010
World of Concrete in Las Vegas, NV

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Take a Quick Survey and Register to Win a Microsoft Xbox 360

Planning what to buy the kids in your life for the holidays or maybe need to de-stress after work with some gaming? By taking a short Customer Satisfaction Survey on your experiences with Cardamel, conducted by TNS, an independent research company, you will be entered to win a Microsoft Xbox 360. This survey is crucial in helping us to deliver the highest level of service to valued customers like you. Please remember to enter your contact information to be registered to win. The drawing will take place on October 15, 2009.

If you do not receive the email for the survey, you may still take part by going to: <http://rap6.tns-online.com/s.asp?ID=54A75634-7062-494E-9901-D110B03E3DC7>. If you are asked for a PIN, please insert the following: 54A75634-7062-494E-9901-D110B03E3DC7. This survey takes only 10-15 minutes and is for current customers only.



Getting to One Version of the Truth

With the economy still in a down-turn, construction companies are facing razor thin margins and dwindling project backlogs. You need real-time data to make informed business decisions. Join us for the Microsoft Dynamics Construction SmartMove Webinar: Getting to One Version of the Truth on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 from 2 p.m.-3 p.m. EST.

Learn how to access business information from the office, in the field or from where ever life takes you from one centralized database. With a complete integrated construction management solution, you can manage for profit and insure consistent gross profit margins. You no longer need to depend on disparate, non-integrated software systems to determine job costs, control change order management, handle billing and job costing or communicate with employees in the field. Discover how simple it is to get started and how Microsoft Dynamics Construction SmartMove can change the way you do business.

A customer who recently made the switch to Construction SmartMove has been able to improve average profit margins by a full 3% while cutting the time it takes to close their monthly financial records by 50%. Running reports has also been sped up tremendously. One report that used to require eight hours under the old system can now be processed in less than three minutes with SmartMove.

Register today at www.clicktoattend.com/invitation.aspx?code=139664. When you register for the webinar, you can receive a free Business Process Review. To find out more about Microsoft Dynamics Construction SmartMove go to www.constructionsmartmove.com or call Cardamel today at 888-236-3269.



User Groups

It's not too late to register for the Microsoft Dynamics SL and GP User Groups. The Microsoft SL User Group is on Coronado Island, CA near San Diego from September 16-18, 2009. To register go to www.solomonusergroup.com. But hurry, registration closes August 24, 2009. A corporate membership is \$600 and includes one participant to the User Group.

To register for the Microsoft Dynamics GP User Group at the Pheasant Run Resort near Chicago, IL, September 14-18, 2009, go to www.gpug.com. Registration is \$499 for members through September 4, 2009 and \$649 for non-members.

Cardamel is now supporting:

**Microsoft Dynamics SL 7.0
Feature Pack 1**

Microsoft Dynamics GP 10.0

Microsoft Announced Longer Support Timelines for Microsoft Dynamics Service Packs

In response to customer feedback and as part of Microsoft's continuous efforts to provide world-class support for their products, the company is updating the Microsoft Support Lifecycle policy effective June 22, 2009 for service packs for key Microsoft Dynamics products.

Microsoft is extending the service pack support for Microsoft Dynamics SL and GP to 24 months of support for a previous service pack, when a new service pack is released. Previously, when a new service pack was released for these products, Microsoft provided 12 months of support for the previous service pack.

Remember, support for Microsoft Dynamics SL 6.0, 6.0 SP1 and 6.5 SP1 ends in October though. If you are ready to upgrade your current Microsoft Dynamics SL solution, call Cardamel today at 1-888-236-3269.

Get 24/7 Information with CustomerSource

Microsoft Dynamics CustomerSource gives you a valuable connection with Microsoft that you can access 24 hours a day. As part of your service plan, CustomerSource empowers you with the tools and information you need to help you increase efficiency and productivity through self-help resources such as Knowledge Base, technical documentation and around-the-clock access to online training.

Customer Source can save you time by providing a one-stop resource for quick and easy access to information to help you maintain and expand your business management solution. Learn more about the benefits you receive when you access the source designed just for Microsoft Dynamics customers. To access CustomerSource, go to www.microsoft.com/dynamics and click CustomerSource.



Preparing Home Builders for the Economic Upswing

Even though it may seem premature to start thinking about a housing recovery with low sales activity, low pricing power and high inventories, now is the perfect time to begin planning for the future. While the past couple of years have been focused simply on survival, savvy builders need to be preparing for the market's return now at the beginning of the rebound. Home building may never see the golden times of the early 2000's, but there is growing consumer demand with less competition in the market.

With the inception of the government's first-time home buyer tax credit, consumers are again viewing a home purchase as an asset. New home sales are on the rise. Is your business ready to take advantage of this increased market activity?

One of the first things you should do to determine if you are prepared while maintaining your focus on cost management and capital preservation, is review your management, your marketing strategy, your product mix and most importantly your balance sheet. A lean builder with a clean balance sheet will be primed to receive new capital as the economic recovery begins and more capital becomes available.

Call Cardamel at 1-888-236-3269 today and schedule a free Business Process Review to help you get started. Learn how taking advantage of Microsoft Dynamics SL working with a team of experienced leaders in the home builder accounting solutions market can help you minimize margin fade and get consistent gross profit percentages through real-time reporting. If you act soon, you can also take advantage of Business Ready Flexible Pay from Microsoft, reducing your upfront investment through predictable and affordable annual payments, optimizing cash flow and improving your IT budget management. Get affordable and predictable payment, realize rapid return on investment and increase productivity today. But hurry, this offer expires soon.