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Welcome to your October/November issue of ERPtips.

A new addition to our SAP training toolkit is **ERPsim**, a simulation game in which participants work in teams to run a business using SAP. Learn more about ERPsim [here](#). Join the webcast on ERPsim on October 29, at Noon Eastern time. You'll meet the team behind ERPsim and learn how you can bring ERPsim on site. [More...](#)

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### [Logistics / Purchasing](#): Approved Manufacturer Parts List: An Overview, by Adam Tysman

If your purchasing requirements include specifying manufacturers, even plants, for certain materials, you'll be happy to know you can make those specifications right in SAP. Learn the setup and logic behind AMPL functionality.

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### [Logistics / SD](#): To Swipe or not to Swipe: Payment Card Processing in SAP, Part 2, by Anurag Barua

Building on the basics covered in Part 1, this article looks further at payment card processing, including third-party authorization interface and the setup needed for settlement.

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### [Data Archiving](#): Archiving the Application Log, by Breck Whitten

Explore the functionality of the application log, including how to manage it, table analysis tips, and re-access capabilities. Learn how you can create your own archiving strategy.

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### [HR/Payroll](#): Everything You Wanted to Know About HCM Reporting, by Martin Gillet

There are four major reporting tools available for HCM professionals---do you know which one to use and when to use it? This article offers a primer on the who, what, where, when and how of HCM's functionality.

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### [FI/CO](#): The Race to the Faster Close, Part 2: The Closing Cockpit, by Dimitris Langas

Simpler to use and more straightforward than the Schedule Manager, the Closing Cockpit could be your ticket to an easier and more accurate financial close. This article covers the details you'll need

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### [CIO Corner](#): "Driven to Perform" in an ERP World: Can the SAP® GRC and EPM Suites Address the Gap Between Strategy and Execution?, by Jon Reed

The title says it all. An interview with former SAP VP Nenshad Bardoliwalli reveals insights into how to better align your business and ERP strategy.

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Other upcoming events:

*Jocelyn Hayes, ERPtips Director of Training and Consulting, will be speaking at the East Tennessee Chapter on Friday, October 30th, to share her tips on Purchase Requisition Release Strategies. ASUG members can read more about that [here](#).*

*Jocelyn will also be presenting a webcast on Wednesday, November 18, at 11:00 AM Eastern Time for the ASUG Procurement SIG. Read details [here](#). She'll be covering: SAP Source Determination, Optimizing Order Quantities, and Vendor Confirmation.*

*Andy Klee and Jocelyn will present a webcast for ASUG's Training SIG on December 2nd at 12:00 Noon Eastern Time. They will speak on latest trends and best practices in SAP training, including: the evolution from a course-centric model to a business strategy model, virtual classes, eLearning, certification, end user & configuration training, learning on demand, and the future of SAP learning.*

*Until next issue...*

*Sincerely,*

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