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Highlights:*

- Watch our September newsletter for more information on our next PDM.
- Our latest class schedule is out! See page 3 for details.

President's Corner

Greetings from your APICS Pikes Peak Chapter Board of Directors (BOD)! We hope that you are having a great summer and are enjoying the beautiful Colorado weather. Your BOD has been busy planning for the coming year and you can expect another season of interesting and varied programs. Plans for at least two plant tours are in the works. Until these are locked in I will not give specifics, but rest assured that they will be up to our usual standard. Plant tours have been a traditional favorite with our members and friends, and for this reason we make it a priority to include two or three tours in our program every year. Watch this space for details.

As we have done for several years, we will also be offering two joint Professional Development Meetings (PDMs) with other key associations: the local chapters of The American Society for Quality (ASQ) and the National Association of Purchasing Management (NAPM). These joint meetings, which we have typically held in November and March, respectively, have always been entertaining and informative. These meetings are excellent opportunities for networking and meeting professionals in related disciplines.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, this is the perfect year to attend the APICS International Conference. Commemorating fifty years of providing operations management education and offering comprehensive resources, this year's conference will be held in Denver from October 21-23. I urge you to take advantage of the close proximity of this event and register now.

Finally, we will again be offering a variety of certification review courses. Is it time for you to get that certification that tells current and potential employers that you have

the knowledge of the operations management body of knowledge that allows you to help companies attain excellence? You can expect classes to prepare you for several of the modules of the Certified in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) program. Last year we offered, for the first time, a class to prepare students to take the Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) exam. The chapter now has three members who are CSCP certified. Shouldn't you be next?



Don Simpson, CPIM, CSCP

I hope to see you soon at our first PDM of the year. As always, if you have ideas for future PDMs or other input you would like to share with the Board of Directors, go to our chapter website, www.apicspikespeak.org. Click on the Board of Directors link and select one of our e-mail addresses. We would be delighted to hear from you. The board works hard to provide meaningful programs and we value your input as we plan future events.

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CPIM Education News



The following five modules are covered in the Certified in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) certification: (For details on each module, please visit our web site at www.apicspikespeak.org).

- Basics of Supply Chain Management
- Master Planning of Resources
- Detailed Scheduling and Planning
- Execution and Control of Operations
- Strategic Management of Resources

Classes

Our schedule for 2007-2008 offers all five CPIM modules. These courses each require a minimum of four students. Courses not meeting the minimum enrollment will be rescheduled.

CPIM course materials include a Participant Workbook, CD of Practice Exam Questions, Reprints book, CPIM Exam Voucher, and a coupon for a free Professional Development Meeting. In addition, first-time students also receive a CPIM Exam Content Manual and an APICS Dictionary.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations of course registrations with full refunds are allowed no later than one week (seven days) before the first class meeting. Cancellations less than seven days before the event carry a \$50 cancellation fee. In other words, a full refund will be made minus a \$50 cancellation fee. Cancellations received on or after the date of the first class meeting (no shows) carry a \$100 cancellation fee. To process a cancellation, you must contact Mike Heath at education@apicspikespeak.org or call 719-668-8035.

Additional Public Classes

Additional classes outside the tentative schedule can be requested, providing the four student minimum is met. Contact Mike Heath at education@apicspikespeak.org or call 668-8035 for more information. You may also submit a Class Interest form at our web site at www.apicspikespeak.org/Surveys%20html/apics_education_class_waiting.html.

Class Locations

Students may offer to host classes at their place of employment. To keep our prices low, the Pikes Peak Chapter does not rent classroom facilities. We have always relied on our students to offer classroom space, and this policy has been very successful for us. Please help us to keep our prices as low as possible by hosting classes where you work.

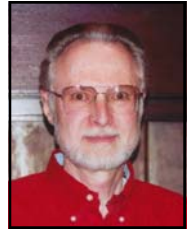
Registration and Payment

There are two ways to register for a course. The easiest way is through our website, www.apicspikespeak.org. Go to the Class Schedule page and click on the Register link for the course you wish to take. You will be asked to pay using your credit card. Payments are processed securely via PayPal.

If you do not want to pay by credit card, you may email your registration to education@apicspikespeak.org and

mail your payment to APICS Pikes Peak Chapter, PO Box 486, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. We accept checks, money orders, or approved company purchase orders. You may also email a copy of your purchase order to education@apicspikespeak.org.

Payment for courses cancelled due to insufficient numbers of students will be promptly refunded. All payments must be received by the registration deadline of the course.



Mike Heath, CFPIIM

New Just-in-Time Course to be Offered

For the first time, the Pikes Peak Chapter will offer the APICS Just-in-Time: Lean Operating Principles and Techniques course. This is not a certification review course – there is no certification exam. It is a course for professionals who already have experience in production and inventory management. The JIT course enables manufacturing, service, and retail organizations to eliminate waste, reduce lead times, and utilize resources more efficiently. Students will examine methods for authorizing build and move of material, discuss the effect of JIT on supplier and customer relationships, and learn the philosophies of lean manufacturing, kanban, and set-up time reduction.

The JIT course requires a minimum of eight students. Its cost of \$300 applies to both APICS members and non-members. Course materials include a Participant Workbook and a Reprints book.

See page 3 (APICS Class Schedule) for more information.

CSCP Education News

The Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) program takes a broad view of the field, extending beyond internal operations to encompass all the steps throughout the supply chain—from the supplier, through the company, to the end consumer—and provides you with the knowledge to effectively manage the integration of these activities to maximize a company's value chain.

The CSCP Learning System

The learning system is organized into the following four modules: (For details on each module, please visit our web site at www.apicspikespeak.org).

- Supply Chain Management Fundamentals
- Building Competitive Operations Planning and Logistics
- Managing Customer and Supplier Relationships
- Using Information Technology to Enable Supply Chain Management

CSCP Review Course

The Pikes Peak Chapter will offer a review course to prepare for the December 8, 2007 CSCP exam. Students who register for this course can indicate their preference for either weekly evening classes or alternate Saturday classes. The format favored by the majority will be scheduled. This course requires a minimum of four students.

Becoming a CSCP Candidate

The CSCP examination is available to individuals who have relevant work experience and education. To be eligible for the CSCP exam, a candidate must meet one of the following criteria:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent, plus two years of related business experience
- CPIM, CFPIM, CIRM, or C.P.M. designation plus two years of related business experience
- Five years of related business experience.

Cancellation Policy

See page 2 for our cancellation policy.

Self-Study

If you prefer to self-study for the CSCP, we can provide the CSCP Learning System to students in the Pikes Peak and southern Colorado region at discounted prices. Contact Mike Heath for details.

Registration and Payment

See page 2 for registration and payment information.



Mike Heath, CFPIM

APICS Class Schedule

Course	Start Date (week of)	End Date (week of)	Registration and Payment Deadline
Basics of Supply Chain Management (BSCM)	Sept 10, 2007	Nov 12, 2007	Aug 27, 2007
Basics of Supply Chain Management (BSCM)	Mar 31, 2008	June 9, 2008	Mar 17, 2008
Execution and Control of Operations (ECO)	Sept 17, 2007	Nov 12, 2007	Sept 4, 2007
Execution and Control of Operations (ECO)	Apr 7, 2008	June 9, 2008	Mar 24, 2008
Master Planning of Resources (MPR)	Sept 24, 2007	Nov 12, 2007	Sept 10, 2007
Strategic Management of Resources (SMR)	Jan 14, 2008	Mar 10, 2008	Dec 17, 2007
Detailed Scheduling and Planning (DSP)	Jan 14, 2008	Mar 10, 2008	Dec 17, 2007
Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) or	Aug 27, 2007 (evening)	Dec 3, 2007	Aug 13, 2007
Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP)	Sept 22, 2007 (alternate Saturdays)	Dec 3, 2007	Sept 4, 2007
Just-in-Time Lean Operating Principles and Techniques	Mar 31, 2008	May 19, 2008	March 17, 2008

New Prices, Additional Deliverables for Certification Classes

The Pikes Peak Chapter board of directors recently completed a study of our education offerings. This analysis considered the costs of materials and instruction, the materials delivered with our courses, and a comparison of our prices with those of the other Colorado APICS chapters. As a result we are making some changes in our certification review course offerings.

Beginning with our September 2007 courses, we will provide exam vouchers to all students in our certification review courses. Both the Denver and Northern Colorado chapters already do this. The cost of the voucher will be included in the course fee. This means that students (or their employers) will make a single payment to the Pikes Peak Chapter for the course and the certification exam – it will no longer be necessary for students to request a second payment from their employer in order to take the exam.

In January, APICS made available a CPIM Reprints book for Basics of Supply Chain Management (BSCM). Previously these CPIM Reprints were available for the other four modules only. Pikes Peak Chapter will provide the BSCM Reprints to BSCM students beginning with the September courses.

APICS prices for other CPIM and CSCP materials were increased last January. Because of these changes and the additional materials mentioned above, the Pikes Peak Chapter will increase the prices of our certification review courses effective with the September schedule. Although

these prices are increased over last year, they are quite competitive with the prices charged by the Denver and Northern Colorado chapters. In spite of the increase, we believe that our CPIM and CSCP courses provide excellent value.

One additional change affects only non-members who register for our certification review courses. The non-member price will now always include a one-year membership in APICS Pikes Peak Chapter. This change will allow the chapter to purchase all exam vouchers at APICS member prices.

	Pikes Peak 2006-2007	Pikes Peak 2007-2008	Denver	Northern Colorado
CPIM—Members	\$340	\$495	\$475	\$635
CPIM—Non	\$390	N/A	\$525	Unknown
CPIM—Non Members Membership Included	\$455	\$615	Unknown	Unknown
CSCP—Members	\$925	\$1,650	\$2,300	\$1,990
CSCP—Non Members Membership Included	\$1,050	\$1,770	\$2,440	Unknown
Exam Fee Included	No Exam Vouchers	Exam Vouchers Included	Exam Vouchers Included	Exam Vouchers Included

Enhance Your Earning Power APICS Professional Certification Strongly Desired

A recent search on popular online job sites showed that top employers such as Lockheed Martin, BAE Systems, Northrop Grumman, and Harley-Davidson are seeking candidates that hold APICS CPIM and APICS CSCP designations. With an APICS designation, increase your position and raise your market value.

According to a recent salary survey, the average compensation of APICS CPIM-certified professionals was 17 percent more than for those who were not certified.

APICS Connection, July, 2007

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If you are interested in becoming a company contact or have any questions regarding this program, please call the APICS voice mail at 578-1225 or email Elizabeth Leslie at ekmleslie@msn.com.

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To be a premier source of education and information in the operations and materials management field within southern Colorado.

About this Publication

The Pikes Peak APICS chapter newsletter is published monthly as a service to its members and non-members. Its purpose is to inform them of the chapter's activities and to provide information to help them become more able practitioners in the field of operations/resource management. We strongly encourage articles and input from our readers. If you have any suggestions, comments, or critiques, or if you have a change of address or you do not receive this newsletter, please contact Michele Tubbs at hmgatubbs@netzero.net or call 578-1225.

SAVE THE DATE
 October 21-23, 2007

Join us in Denver, Colorado to celebrate our 50th anniversary at the capstone event, the 2007 APICS International Conference & Expo.

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Registration Opens March 2007
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APICS Pikes Peak Chapter Calendar of Events

August 2007

- No Professional Development Meeting scheduled
- 13 Registration deadline for Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) class — evening class
- 27 Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) class begins this week — evening class
- 27 Registration deadline for Basics of Supply Chain Management (BSCM) class

September 2007

- TBA Professional Development Meeting
- 4 Registration deadline for Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) — alternate Saturday class
- 4 Registration deadline for Execution and Control of Operations (ECO) class
- 10 Basics of Supply Chain Management (BSCM) class begins this week
- 10 Registration deadline for Master Planning of Resources (MPR) class
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