



APICS Wichita Chapter March 2009 Newsletter

APICS Professional Development Meeting **STANDARD WORK = Predictable Results**

Tuesday March 10th 2009 at NEW LOCATION

Fine dining at **Petroleum Club of Wichita** 100 N Broadway St 900 Wichita KS 67202 (316) 262 6471

Arrive	5:00 PM	Buffet	5:45 PM
Speaker	6:30 PM	Cost	\$15 APICS Member \$25 Guest No Cost for current APICS workshop students
Parking	Public Parking Garage available – Free Parking Bring your parking ticket to dinner with you to be validated Use the walkway from the Parking Garage to the Bank Building		
RSVP	Required no later than noon on Friday, March 6th, 2009. Preferred RSVP method email rsvp@apics-wichita.com or call (316) 636-8224 and leave message. When making your reservation please provide names, contact phone, member/guest/current APICS student.		

Speaker: Jeff Westeman, CSCP

Jeff Westeman has been the Director of Technology and Business Services at Triumph Structures - Wichita, Inc. since 1991.

In this capacity, he is responsible for various functions within the organization, including Continuous Improvement (Lean/Six Sigma), Facility Management, Export Compliance, and the Information Technology requirements.

In October 2004, he was certified by Boeing IDS as an AIW Lean Leader, in June 2005, he was the first person to be awarded a Supply Chain Management Lean Production Coaching Certification from Boeing Commercial. He was certified as a Supply Chain Professional by APICS in June 2008, and in December 2008, he received his Six Sigma Green Belt Certification.

In the last 5 years, he has coached hundreds of lean events throughout the supply chain, including vendors and customers, and presented or provided training for organizations such as APICS, INFOR, WMA, and Boeing.

Topic Abstract: STANDARD WORK = Predictable Results

Standard work (called Standardized Work at Toyota) is one of the cornerstones in a Lean System: in order to achieve a balanced work flow and high quality product, work must be standardized at all operations for maximum consistency and efficiency.

Successful standardization of work processes helps ensure high quality product, employee morale, customer satisfaction, workplace safety, and minimize loss of experience from employment changes.

The objective is to clearly communicate to the operator exactly how a task should be performed. Variability is eliminated through analysis of the operation: by eliminating "tweaking of the process", searching for tools and parts, excess movements, and double-handling.

Once you have a definition of the process, continuous improvement actions can then further be implemented – removing additional inefficiency. This presentation will focus on the four stages of Standard Work, how to right size your standard work, how to test, and how to move forward.

“Where there is no standard, there can be no kaizen.” -Taiichi Ohno



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Presidents Corner

APICS Members: Stay Connected with APICS

In this challenging economy, it's more important than ever to stay informed on current industry trends and valuable knowledge. By updating your contact information with APICS, you are ensuring that you continue to receive valuable member benefits. Stay connected with APICS by updating your contact information at www.apics.org/myinfo. Stay connected by attending the upcoming PDM March 10th, on Standard work. This presentation will focus on the four stages of Standard Work, how to right size your standard work, how to test, and how to move forward.

Enhance Your Earning Power

APICS Certifications Help to Recession-Proof Your Career

It is always wise to take charge of your professional development and career options. In tough times like these, operations and supply chain professionals must hone their skills to enhance job security and help your organization stay viable.

Stand out from your colleagues, become a valued asset to your employer, and enhance your marketability by earning an internationally recognized APICS certification. APICS world-renowned certification programs provide operations management professionals with relevant, essential education that equips them for today's fast-changing marketplace. APICS Certified in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) and APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) designations demonstrate to your customers, competition, employers, and staff that you have the skills and knowledge needed to be successful.

For more information on how APICS certification can affect your career and improve your skills during this challenging time, visit [here](http://www.apics.org/certification) or [apics.org/certification](http://www.apics.org/certification).

For Wichita local chapter activities visit our website at www.APICS-Wichita.com for upcoming events and classes for certification.

Save the date for our annual seminar with Mike Ford on April 22.

We are still accepting nominations for next year's Board of Directors. Please feel free to contact Elly Love at e-mail address, storm98@wheatstate.com if you have suggestions, or if you are interested in volunteering for this very rewarding experience.

Benefits of being on the BOD

As a member of the APICS Wichita Board of Directors you will enjoy the following benefits:

You may attend any chapter function at no cost, PDM, Seminar, Review courses.

You may attend the annual International Conference at the reduced "Chapter Officer" rate as determined by APICS headquarters.

You will grow professionally in your management abilities, including running a meeting, learning Robert's Rules of Order, etc.

You will have responsibility for a portion of the business, developing your business management skills.

"Develop Presentation skills in a non-threatening, low risk environment" or something like that.

Remember that APICS will extend a member's benefits for 6 months if he/she loses their job.

APICS Career Center--Can post your resume, jobs are posted out there continuously, go to APICS.org for more information.

See you soon!

Jerry Kukuruda CPIM, CSCP, C.P.M.

President- APICS Wichita

Seminar April 2009: “Utilizing MRP in a LEAN Environment”

Make your plans now to join us on Wednesday, April 22nd for our annual Spring seminar. This will be an all-day event, and we are very pleased to have Mike Ford speaking to us on the topic of "Utilizing MRP in a LEAN Environment." This program is designed for environments using MRP systems and aspiring to implement Lean initiatives. Whether you are in planning, purchasing, warehousing, production or cost accounting, you will reap the benefits of this highly acclaimed seminar. Top management representatives who are responsible for project management and system implementation will also find this seminar extremely helpful. For more information, please contact Brian Hickman (bhickman@cox.net or 838-1195)

New Members January 2009

1. Kimberly A DeWald C.P.M. CPIM
2. John M Hall CPIM
3. Bill Bianco
4. Mark Chronister CPIM
5. Sheila C Knoche

WSU APICS Student Chapter #S232 MARCH 2009

Who wants to be an IME?

WSU APICS-S232 student chapter along with Industrial and Manufacturing engineering department of WSU and student organizations IIE, SWE and ASQ organized the most anticipated event of WSU “Who wants to be an IME”. This is an industrial engineering version of the popular show “Who wants to be a Millionaire”. APICS members and industrial engineers tried their luck at the hot seat to become this year’s most valuable IE. Relatively tough questions from the field of Operations Management made the game an interesting contest. At the end of the day this was an excellent “icebreaker” for the students to interact with the industrial engineering professionals. We thank all the companies who sponsored this event for their support.

Education Update

Wichita Chapter of APICS congratulates those earning their Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) in Dec. Mr. Dan Melton, new CSCP, offers advice to prospective candidates that passing the test requires dedication and hard studying. Wichita Chapter will offer CSCP certification prep utilizing the CSCP Learning System and a qualified instructor led class beginning April 2 to prepare for the June 20 test {a single 4-hour test to qualify for this certification}. Candidates must meet eligibility requirements – free application deadline is April 24. More info: <http://www.apics.org/Certification/CSCP/default.htm> . Class is 8 weeks on Thursdays from 5:30 to 8:30 PM. Please contact Ron Lunsford, CPIM, CSCP at vp-education@apics-wichita.com if you are interested.

Our next CPIM classes at Southwestern College are starting in May. If interested, please see: http://www.apics-wichita.com/southwestern/swcpim_aug08.pdf or contact SWC at (316) 946-1116. Those using tuition assistance should contact their appropriate company dept.

The chapter offered CPIM classes will be offered starting in August. Please contact Ron L. {above} if interested. THANK YOU all.

Nominees Of APICS Wichita Chapter Board

- **President: Brian Hickman, CPIM, PMP**
- **President Elect: Brian Ferris, CFPIM, CSCP, CPM.**
- **Marketing: Steve Plaster, CSCP, CFPIM**
- **Programs: Elly Love, CPIM, CSCP**
- **Membership: Open**
- **Publications: Bill Carroll, CPIM, CIRM**
- **Treasurer: Crystal Morgan, CPIM**
- **Secretary: Jake Brown**
- **Logistics: Renee Robinson, CPIM**
- **Hospitality: Kevin Parker, CSCP, CPIM**
- **Student Liason/Web Page: Dr. Larry Whitman,**
- **Awards: Jerry Kukuruda, CPIM, CSCP, C.P.M.**
- **Education: Ron Lunsford**
- **Student Coordinator: Prashant Lodhia, CSCP**