



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

This month's professional development meeting is a tour of Big Lots on Tuesday, January 21, 2003. Big Lots, Inc. is the nation's leading broad line closeout retailer with annual revenues exceeding \$3 Billion.

Headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, Big Lots operates more than 1,300 retail stores serving 46 states. Four regional distribution centers throughout the country, ranging in size from 1 million to 3 million square feet, provide the company's stores with brand name products over 3000 manufacturers.

Big Lots offers merchandise at 20 to 40 percent below most discount retailers and up to 70 percent below conventional retailers. Founded in 1967, the company employs more than 40,000 associates across the U.S. by creating excitement with brand name closeouts and bargains through a unique shopping experience.

The Columbus Distribution Center is 2,736,100 square feet and has over 16 miles of conveyor running through the facility. Using the Kosan Tilt Tray Sorter, up to 156,000 cartons a day or 130 cartons each minute can be sorted using a two-shift workday. Almost 90 trailers are received and put away daily and Specialty Processing distributes roughly 500,000 pieces of merchandise, which must be individually tagged and ticketed before being shipped to the stores each week. Sharing the campus setting, along with the General Office for Big Lots, Inc., is an 800,000 square foot Furniture Warehouse facility.

Big Lots, Inc., headquarters and the Columbus Distribution Center are located at 300 Phillip Rd. Columbus, OH 43228.

Directions to Distribution Center from downtown:

- Take I-70 W. for approximately 8 miles
- Take the exit labeled Wilson Rd.
- Turn LEFT at stop light onto WILSON RD.
- Turn RIGHT onto FISHER RD.

Turn LEFT onto PHILLIPI RD.
Enter at ENTRANCE 4.

Tell the Guard Shack attendant that you are here for the APICS tour.

Dinner & Tour:

Tour begins at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will immediately follow the tour at Outback Steakhouse, 1735 Hilliard Rome Road, Hilliard, OH 43026. For directions, reference www.mapquest.com. Please RSVP to reservations@apics-col.org by Friday, January 17 at 4:00 p.m. Cost for students is \$10.00, all others \$25.00.

December PDM Statistics

Date - December 9, 2002

Total Attendees - 22

Feedback results -

	Exc.	Good	Fair	Poor
Subject	4	4	0	0
Speaker Know.	7	1	0	0
Speaker Presnt	4	3	1	0
Facility	4	4	0	0
Dinner	5	3	0	0

Members

Students

Guests

22

Location - Villa Milano

Comments -

"Subject matter was too broad and spoke mostly in general improvements. Did not provide 'cost of quality' to a company."

Professional Development Schedule

VP Current Programs, Ravi Kannigati
VP Meeting Arrangements: Lori Morrow, CPIM

January 21, 2003	Big Lots Distribution Center Tour
February 18, 2003	Joint session with IIE and ASQ: Six Sigma Discussion
March 18, 2003	Top Manager & Vendor Night

Columbus Chapter #99 Statistics

V.P. Membership: Bill Thurston, CPIM, CIRM, C.P.M.

Number of members	525
• Regular	447
• Corporate	78
New Members	17
CFPIMs	6
CPIMs	174
CIRMs	21
Student Members	35
• OSU	11
• DeVry	6
• Other	18
New CPIM Certification	Qing Wang

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(<http://www.apics-col.org>)

Also visit other local chapters at the following addresses:

Cleveland: <http://cis.csvohio.edu/~ichen/apics>

Erie: <http://www.ncinter.net/~apics>

Pittsburgh: <http://www.apics-pgh.com>

Cincinnati: <http://www.customer1.com/apics>

North Central: <http://www.ashland.edu/~apics/home.html>

APICS Headquarters: <http://www.apics.org>

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January 2003

President's Message

I trust that everyone had a joyous holiday season and is ready to start working on making 2003 the year that we turn this economy around. We have our education courses starting soon; therefore if you are planning on taking a course, please do not delay sending in your registration.

Our communications team will be working on an e-mail form of our newsletter over the next couple months. It will be a text based e-mail letter with links to articles we will place on the web site. We will also incorporate subscribe and unsubscribe abilities. Implementing this type of communication will allow us to reach our members quicker than a mailed newsletter, more efficiently and ultimately save costs. APICS National collects member's e-mail addresses, and those addresses are just now being provided to the chapter. All member information, including e-mail addresses, is considered confidential and will never be made public. Please join us for our upcoming events; tour of Big Lots in January and March we will be holding our annual Top Manager and Vendor Night.

Sincerely,

Burl K. Scott

President

Columbus APICS Chapter 99

E-mail: president@apics-col.org

Education Program

Winter 2002 to Spring 2003

CPIM Certification Review Courses:

All five modules (Basics of Supply Chain Management, Master Planning of Resources, Detailed Scheduling and Planning, Execution and Control of Operations and Strategic Management of resources - will be offered three times, Fall, Winter and Spring. These courses are an excellent review for those seeking the CPIM designation. There are no grades issued for these courses.

Fundamentals Courses:

There are four courses in this series – Inventory Control, Planning, Manufacturing Control and Operations Management. Two courses in this series will be offered each session – Fall, Winter and Spring. The Fundamentals courses are excellent for gaining points for recertification (36 points) and provide a suitable academic background for those needing to acquaint themselves with the manufacturing and materials management processes. These classes are rigorous and consist of case studies, mid-term and final exam. A grade is issued in addition to the certificate.

CIRM Certification Review Courses:

These will be scheduled per demand. A minimum of six is needed to start a class. Schedule dates will mirror those of the CPIM.

Certificates of completion are issued to all students completing the courses

NEW FEATURES:

A cut off date has been established for each class session. Prior registration is required to allow for proper

scheduling of materials, class and instructors. No walk-in registration. Also the students along with the instructor will have the option to reschedule the number of classes and hours of each session – it must be unanimous – as long as a minimum of 16 hours of instruction for the CPIM and 25 hours for Fundamentals are held. If the entire course material is not covered, additional classes will be scheduled. This will allow the classes to progress as to the capacity of the students and allow for more flexibility in everyone's personal schedule. Also you will not be required to become a member of APICS to participate in the classes. There will be separate member and non-member fees.

CLASS SCHEDULES:

Winter 2003:

Fundamentals –1st class 1/13/03

Last class tentatively 3/24/03

Registration cut off 1/6/03

CPIM Review –1st class 1/20/03

Last class tentatively 3/17/03

Registration cut off 1/13/03

Spring 2003:

Fundamentals –1st class 4/7/03

Last class tentatively 6/16/03

Registration cut off 4/1/03

CPIM Review –1st class 4/7/03

Last class tentatively 6/2/03

Registration cut off 4/1/03

Scheduling Specifics:

A class matrix for each session will also be listed on the website outlining the specific date of the week, the instructor and class location. The course fees and a registration form will be included. These will be created before the session takes place and will be posted on the web site and newsletter for the appropriate months. This notice will be on the web site at all times.

COURSE LOCATIONS

DeVry: 1350 Alum Creek Dr., Columbus

Lakeshore Cryotronics: 575 McCorkle Blvd.,
Westerville

Liebert: 1050 Dearborn Dr., Worthington

Metatec: 7001 Metatec Blvd., Dublin

TDCI: 8760 Orion Place, Suite 300, Columbus

Tigerpoly: 6231 Enterprise Pkwy., Grove City

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Course Registration Form

Name: _____

Company: _____

Company Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Work Phone: () _____ Home: () _____

APICS Member # _____ NAPM Member # _____

E-Mail: _____

Fundamentals (Please check courses desired)

- Fundamentals of Inventory Control
- Fundamentals of Manufacturing Control

Course Fees (each)

Member \$325.00
Non-member \$400.00

CPIM (Please check courses desired)

- Basics
- DSP
- MPR
- ECO
- SMR

Course Fees (each)

Member \$250.00
Non-member \$325.00

Total \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: *Columbus APICS*

MAIL REGISTRATION WITH PAYMENT TO: *Valerie Seus / APICS*
PO Box 2068, Westerville, OH 43086

Check

VISA/MC Acct#: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

No acknowledgements will be sent unless a SASE is enclosed in the registration. For best results, please register early. If payment and registration cannot be received by mail 2 weeks before the course begins, please send an e-mail notice to education@apics-col.org to ensure your seat in the course.

APICS – Columbus Chapter #99: Winter Class Offerings

Contact: Valerie Seus, VP of Education Administration (937) 209-4444 or education@apics-col.org

Fundamentals of Materials & Operations Management:

Fundamentals of Inventory Control (FIC)

- Begins: January 13, 2003 Monday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Hal Searl, CPIM, CPA
- Location: TBD

Fundamentals of Manufacturing Control (FMC)

- Begins: January 16, 2003 Thursday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Steve Fedan, C.P.M., CPIM
- Location: TBD

CPIM:

Detailed Scheduling and Planning (DSP)

- Begins: January 22, 2003 Wednesday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Tracy Horn, CPIM
- Location: Tigerpoly Mfg., Inc., 6231 Enterprise Pkwy, Grove City

Strategic Management of Resources (SMR)

- Begins: January 20, 2003 Monday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Steve Fedan, CPIM, CPM
- Location: TBD

Basics of Supply Chain Management (BASICS)

- Begins: January 22, 2003 Wednesday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Hal Searl, CFPIM
- Location: TBD

Execution and Control of Operations (ECO)

- Begins: January 20, 2003 Monday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Mick Pennington, CPIM, CIRM
- Location: TDCI

Master Planning of Resources (MPR)

- Begins: January 23, 2003 Thursday 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Instructor: Vera Hancher, CPIM
- Location: Liebert Corporation, 1050 Dearborn Dr., Worthington

Note: Locations will be updated on the web site, apics-col.org, as they become available.

CIRM:

These will be scheduled per demand. A minimum of six is needed to start a class.

NOTES:

CPIM classes are 9 weeks long.

CIRM classes are 9 weeks long. Scheduled per demand. A minimum of six is needed to start a class.

Fundamentals class is 11 weeks long.

The BASICS module is the suggested prerequisite to other CPIM modules.

Text books are optional and recommended by instructors in the first class.

It is important to attend the first class

Please go to our web site apics-col.org for class location updates.

TBD - If the first Basics course is filled up we will open the second class date.*

COURSE FEES:

CPIM Courses:	APICS/NAPM members:	\$250 (includes student guide)
	Non-members:	\$325 (includes student guide)
New Fundamentals Courses:	APICS/NAPM members:	\$325 (includes student guide)
	Non-members:	\$400 (includes student guide)

*****Nonmembers can apply for APICS membership along with course registration.***

***** Please mail the registration form included in this newsletter.***



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