



February 21 2012 Event

Time: 5:30 pm Appetizers
Bronson Health Club
6789 Elm Valley Drive in Texas Township

Speaker: Jan Frantz
Topic: Free Trade Zone-The future of imports and how to apply for free trade zone status



Jan Frantz is a licensed US Customs broker, serving as Executive Director of the Battle Creek/Calhoun County/Kalamazoo County (BC/CAL/KAL) Inland Port Development Corporation. Frantz has administrative accountability for the federal grant of authority for Foreign-Trade Zone 43 based at the US Customs and Border Protection Port of Battle Creek which serves Southwest Michigan. Frantz has made numerous presentations about Foreign-Trade Zones in Canada, China, Korea, Japan, United Kingdom and throughout the US.

Frantz serves on the board of directors for the National Association of Foreign-Trade Zones. She is appointed by the Secretary of the US Department of Commerce and the US Trade Representative to serve on the Industry Trade Advisory Committee for Customs Matters and Trade Facilitation, one of 16 committees advising the President on trade.

Frantz also serves as Director of Corporate Projects for Battle Creek Unlimited, the economic development organization for Battle Creek, Michigan. Frantz has been assigned by successive Battle Creek mayors to serve as a City Planning Commissioner. She has BS and MA degrees from Western Michigan University.

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As we get ready for the second half of our program year I'd like to recognize my fellow Board of Director's for their continued efforts. All of us are experiencing longer hours required of us at work. We all have commitments other than APICS. But these individuals give of themselves month in and month out. These dedicated men and women give up countless hours of personal time to support your chapter. Please thank these individuals when you see them next, hopefully at the next Professional Development Meeting.

Speaking of the next PDM, please note that our February PDM has been moved to the third Tuesday, February 21st, so that everyone can be with their sweethearts on Valentine's Day. Don't forget to register for the event on our website, www.apicsswmi.com. We hope to see you there.

From APICS Headquarters – check out the new and improved website! APICS has recently rolled out a new website. Headquarters designed the new site with the hope that it will be more user friendly and easier to navigate. Check it out! Go to www.apics.org.

Lastly, if you have been thinking about signing up for either Basics of Supply Chain Management or Execution and Control of Operations you better act quickly, time is running out. Both review courses begin February 9th at Western Michigan University. Visit our website, www.apicsswmi.com, often to learn more about upcoming PDM's and our Educational offerings.

Wishing you continued success,

Ed Huver, CPIM
President, APICS Southwest Michigan



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We would like to highlight APICS Member Companies and Individual Members for their contribution to Operations and Supply Chain Management. If you have something you feel is newsworthy, please send it to us for inclusion in the next newsletter. All submissions should be directed to either Jeff Taft, Web Master, at finance@apicsswmi.com or Raj Rajagopal, VP of Communications, at communication@apicsswmi.com



APICS SWMI Education Corner

APICS Education Corner - Micheal W. Manchester- VP of Education

APICS Southwest Michigan Chapter Educational Offerings - 2012

CPIM 1 and CPIM 4 classes have begun at WMU. We are off to a great start to our 2012 education program year. We will offer CPIM 2 and 5 in the fall of 2012 so for those that want to continue with their certification classes we will continue to offer classes to help you get that certification.

We also plan to offer a CSCP class at Kellogg in Battle Creek starting in February of 2012. Professionals and students from outside Kellogg will be allowed to participate in this class. This will be the only time we will offer this class in 2012 so if you want to become CSCP certified do not miss out on this opportunity.

See the schedule below for the 2012 classes.

Go to our website @ www.apicsswmi.com and sign up for the classes mentioned below.

Education Schedule - CPIM

Western Michigan University On-Campus Student Classes - 2012

CPIM Module 1 Feb 9, 16, 23 March 1, 15, 22, 29

CPIM Module 4 Feb 9, 16, 23 March 1, 15, 22, 29

CPIM Module 2 Sept. 27, Oct. 4,11,18,25, Nov. 1,8

CPIM Module 5 Sept. 27, Oct. 4,11,18,25, Nov. 1,8

APICS CPIM Module 1

Dates: Thursdays – February 9, 2012 – March 29, 2012

Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm@ Schneider Hall

Cost: Full Time Student: \$ 290.00; APICS Member: \$ 550.00; Non-Member: \$ 750.00* (*Non-Member pricing Includes a 1 year APICS Professional Membership through the Southwest Michigan Chapter)

Deadline: Registration must be completed, with payment, by 8:00 am on February 1, 2012

APICS CPIM Module 4

Dates: Thursdays – February 9, 2012 – March 29, 2012

Time: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm@ Schneider Hall

Cost: Full Time Student: \$ 265.00; APICS Member: \$ 525.00; Non-Member: \$ 725.00* (*Non-Member pricing Includes a 1 year APICS Professional Membership through the Southwest Michigan Chapter)

Deadline: Registration must be completed, with payment, by 8:00 am on February 1, 2012

You can register at:

http://www.apicsswmi.com/education/apics_educ_signup.aspx?PROG=CPIM

Education Schedule - CSCP

Kellogg Inc – Battle Creek Mi. – 2012

CSCP Feb 15, 22, 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9

MEMBER INFORMATION**New Members – Kalamazoo Chapter**

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Featured Article

APICS Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) Program

The APICS CSCP designation is the most widely recognized educational program designed for operations and supply chain management professionals around the world. Demonstrate your mastery of supply chain management best practices by earning your APICS CSCP designation.

By earning the APICS CSCP designation, you will demonstrate significant commitment to your profession and your career, distinguish yourself as an industry expert, and excel with your newly acquired specialized knowledge.

Who should earn the CSCP designation?

The APICS CSCP designation is for professionals who are interested in increasing their knowledge and expertise in the field of global supply chain management. This designation is ideal for you and your organization if you are:

Interested in more depth of knowledge and understanding in the areas of supplier and customer relations, international trade, the use of information technology to enable the supply chain, and physical logistics

[A professional who is consulting or facilitating supply chain functions](#)

[A professional who is interested in increasing knowledge and expertise in the field of global supply chain management.](#)

[A professional who is consulting or facilitating supply chain functions or working with enterprise resources planning \(ERP\) systems](#)

[An employer wanting to create a common standard of understanding, vocabulary, resources, and frameworks within your company to address your supply chain challenges and opportunities](#)

Tested Knowledge

Learn the concepts, strategies, processes, tools, and technologies applied to managing the end-to-end forward and backward flow of materials, information, and value in the supply chain. Be able to recognize and analyze specific supply chain situations and opportunities and select the appropriate approaches, tools, techniques, and technologies. Be able to define and select the actions necessary to implement solutions. Topics include:

Aligning supply chain processes and capabilities with strategic business goals

Understanding organizational roles and infrastructures in the supply chain

Managing material, information, and financial flows

Understanding and managing intra- and inter-organizational relationships

Selecting and leveraging technologies to enable effective process management

APICS CSCP Program Benefits

Earning the proven knowledge and organization skills to strategically streamline operations

Mastering the tools to effectively manage global supply chain activities that involve suppliers, plans, distributors and customers located around the world

Acquiring the skills to create consistency and foster collaboration through best practices, common terminology, and corporate communication

Understanding how to use ERP systems and other technologies to improve the entire supply chain process. The APICS CSCP program can help corporations maximize their ERP investments by millions of dollars.

Earning a designation that is sought by employers and recruiters

Increasing your professional value and securing your future

According to the Operations Management Employment Outlook, APICS CSCP designees, on average, earn 11 percent more than non-certified supply chain professionals. (Fourth quarter, 2010)