

## PDM Dinner Meeting



### **Inventory Cycle Counting**

By Rick Leach, CSCP, CPIM

A **cycle count** is an inventory management procedure where a small subset of inventory is counted on any given day. Cycle counts contrast with traditional physical inventory in that physical inventory stops operation at a facility and all items are counted, audited, and recounted at one time.<sup>1</sup>

As we all know, cycle counts are less disruptive to daily operations, provide an ongoing measure of inventory accuracy and procedure execution, and can be tailored to focus on items with higher value or higher movement.

Rick Leach has is a returning speaker and longtime APICS supporter. Come explore the basics of Inventory Cycle Counting and see what insights Rick will share that you can implement in your operations.

Source: (1) Wikipedia definition of Cycle Counting

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## Speaker's Bio

Richard (Rick) Leach, CSCP, CPIM, is the APICS Pacific Western District Manager. Prior to this, Rick was on the Region 10 Staff on two separate occasions, the last one as the Region 10 Director of Education. Before this, Rick was on the Board of Directors of the Northern Sierra Chapter, and is Past President of the Redwood Empire Chapter.

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## President's Message

Dear Members,

We are beginning a new year, and although all of the faces look familiar, there are changes on the board, and I am confident that they will serve you and APICS to their highest ability. While there was no professional development meeting in July, the board members were hard at work holding the annual strategic meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>. As a result, we have set some pretty lofty goals for the 09/10 year.

A committee has been assigned to go through all of the literature and correspondence that is sent out by APICS National and identify some of the benefits that APICS has to offer that many of you may not be aware of. Expect to see a listing of some of these as early as September....

We have planned another plant tour, tentatively for September, again at Sierra Nevada Brewery. For those of you who were unable to attend last year, I hope you will consider attending this year. They have done a tremendous job not only in brewing beer, but in sustaining their environment. I guarantee you will find the tour inspiring.

Work has begun on a survey that will be sent to all of you within the next month, please take the time to answer a few questions for us, so that we can better understand what Sacramento APICS can do for you.

We are again working with Sierra College this year in their adult education program, to provide the CPIM course, and we plan to hold a one week instructional Lean Management series, in-house in October.

The board has also committed to focus more energy on working with other professional groups in the Sacramento area; with that said, I think that you can expect at least one joint meeting in the coming year.

The Professional Development meetings will continue to be held at the Lions Gate hotel on the third Tuesday of each month. We are working to get our account with PayPal. It is my hope that by the time you register for the August PDM you will be able to do so on-line with a credit card. This should be much easier for all of you.

Thank You  
Pat

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## Calendar

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### August, 2009

- 4 Board of Directors Meeting  
- OPEN TO ALL -  
Location: Panera at I80 and Truxel
  
  - 18 Professional Development Meeting  
Speaker: Rick Leach
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### September, 2009

- 1 Board of Directors Meeting  
- OPEN TO ALL -  
Location: Panera at I80 and Truxel
  
  - 15 Tentative Plant Tour: watch for details
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### October, 2009

- 6 Board of Directors Meeting  
- OPEN TO ALL -  
Location: Panera at I80 and Truxel
  
- 20 Professional Development Meeting



## Editorial

### Shipping's Big Shift

The traditional harbor drayage truck is becoming a relic at American seaports, reports *Traffic World*. This particularly is the case in Southern California, where the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach eventually will replace 16,800 trucks with vehicle models from 2007 or later, which consume low-sulfur diesel or alternative fuel.

Los Angeles and Long Beach ports will spend around 2 billion U.S. dollars to help truckers purchase new low-emission vehicles. The Los Angeles and Long Beach harbor commissions agreed in June to order 400 clean-diesel and 100 liquefied-natural-gas trucks. They will deal with six companies—including Freightliner, Volvo, and Inland Kenworth—to deliver the low-emission vehicles.

In addition, they will replace the estimated 2,100 trucks built in 1988 or earlier that were banned from the harbor last October. At a discount price, the diesel trucks each will cost around \$93,000. Depending upon the purchased amount, natural-gas trucks will cost between \$161,000 and \$197,000. Because many harbor trucking companies and owner-operators cannot afford such expensive trucks, the ports will use state bond money and internally generated funds to subsidize up to 80 percent of the costs. California is the only state vested with the authority to develop its own emission regulations. Other states have a choice to either implement the federal emission standards, or else to adopt California requirements



### APICS Webinars Upcoming Events

#### Apics Connection Live

Date: August 5, 2009

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 pm CST

#### APICS Live Extra:

Success Strategies for Developing Market in the Global Economy

Date: August 25, 2009

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 pm CST

### APICS Workshops Upcoming Events

Strategic Management of Resources

Date: November 16-18, 2009

Location: Chicago, IL

Explore the relationship of existing and emerging processes and technologies to manufacturing strategy and supply chain-related functions. This course addresses three main topics: aligning resources with the strategic plan, configuring and integrating operating processes to support the strategic plan, and implementing change.



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## International Conference

### **APICS International Conference & Expo October 4-6, 2009 Toronto, Canada**

*Stay Relevant in the Global Economy at APICS 2009  
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career on solid ground*

Enhance your marketability, your capability, and your Global Ability at the 2009 APICS International Conference & Expo. Hone the skills required to help your company survive and thrive now and through the recovery.

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To register for this event, visit [www.apics.org](http://www.apics.org).

## Hot Topics Spot

### **The New APICS Blogs Have Launched!**

[APICS Blogs](#) will enable you to see the world through the eyes of fellow operations and supply chain management professionals, and share your point of view on a variety of topics. Connect with your colleagues interactively through APICS Blogs and grow professionally.

Visit the website at [www.apics.org](http://www.apics.org) to see what the buzz is about!

## Sierra College courses

### **Basics of Supply Chain Management September 15 - October 23, 2009**

*Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-9 PM at  
Roseville Gateway Campus of Sierra College, Room 601*

The program is co-sponsored by the Sacramento chapter of APICS The Association for Operations Management and members receive a discount.

Basics of Supply Chain Management covers basic concepts in managing the complete flow of materials in a supply chain. The Basics class provides a complete overview of material flow from internal and external suppliers to and from an organization.

(NOTE: The Basics class is a not prerequisite for taking the other courses but if you are preparing for your APICS Certification in Production and Inventory management (CPIM), you must complete the Basics course and pass the Basic test before taking any of the other courses. Sierra College is not administering the APICS CPIM test.

To Learn more about CPIM designations at <http://www.apics.org/certification/CPIM/>)

To register for the course, contact Carol Pepper-Kittredge at Sierra College CACT (916) 781-6288 or send email to [cpepper-kittredge@sierracollege.edu](mailto:cpepper-kittredge@sierracollege.edu).

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## Check Out APICS Career Opportunities Online

Are you seeking another job or career change? Don't forget to check out the APICSacramento Job Opportunities located at <http://www.apicsacramento.com>. A job opportunity can be discovered almost anywhere, so don't miss the chance to find one through your own local network.

And whether you are in the market for a job or just want to keep your options open, you will also want to search the APICS Career Center for available jobs, or to post your resume... the perfect fit could be waiting for you! <http://www.apics.org/Resources/careercenter>.

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## APICS Sacramento Company Coordinators

Company Coordinators serve as the principle communication links between the Sacramento Chapter of APICS and their companies and fellow employees. If you work for one of the companies listed below and need APICS Chapter information of any kind, please feel free to contact them.

If you do not see your company listed below, it is because you haven't volunteered. To become a coordinator, email Charles Withrow at [charles.withrow@atkearney.com](mailto:charles.withrow@atkearney.com).

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