



COMMUNITY UPDATE

News about implementation of Certified Logistics Associate (CLA) and Certified Logistics Technician (CLT) training and certification system.

CLT Instructor Training Program Growing

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As a key part of our new certification system for CLT, MSSC has developed a comprehensive Instructor Training Program with Master Training sites at Tarrant County College (TCC) in Ft. Worth, TX and Lehigh Career and Technical Institute (LCTI) in Bethlehem, PA. The two-day CLT Instructor Training course is offered on a monthly basis (see updated schedule on Page 4).

The MSSC CLT Instructor Certification system includes a two-day training led by one of our certified Master Trainers, hands-on Computer Based Training instruction, and the CLT Instructors Package. The MSSC Instructors Package provides resources necessary to successfully deliver courses including: unlimited access to the eLearning program, PDF and hard copies of the textbooks, supplemental materials, PowerPoint presentation templates and sample classroom exercises.

Instructor training began at TCC in April and at LCTI in October. We are pleased to report that we already have over 50 certified CLT instructors.



A CLA course at TCC

Coming Soon!

Special Issue
CLT Community Update

Profile of Texas Partnership.

It's been one year since the new CLT program was announced at ProMat 2009. Since that time, CLT has flourished in the North Texas region and is rapidly taking hold nationwide. Look for more details in our Winter Issue.

Community Spotlight: CLT Master Trainers

Fred Schmidt

Fred spent 14 years with Motorola progressing from 3rd shift supervisor to Production Manager, Program Manager, Project Manager and Operations Manager. After the Motorola Paging operations closed, Fred was asked to lead the project to move the Motorola North American Customer Fulfillment Center to Fort Worth in Alliance. After driving significant improvements in the material and logistics operations at this new facility, Fred spearheaded the project to activate the site as a Foreign Trade Zone, resulting in a multimillion dollar savings to Motorola.

Fred is one of the MSSC Master Trainers and is an Instructor with Tarrant County College's Corporate Services, training the CLA and CLT certification classes as well as other classes. Fred also serves on the Fossil Ridge High School Campus Education Improvement Committee, is a member of the North Texas Commission's Logistics Committee and is Vice-President of the Fossil Ridge High School Athletic Booster Club."

Vicki Phillips

MSSC is proud to announce our new Instructor Training facility at LCTI under the direction of Master Trainer, Vicki Phillips. Vicki is an instructor for Logistics/Transportation Technology and teaches courses in supply chain, warehousing, loading dock, trailer loading, material handling equipment and transportation including CDL-8.

Vicki has over 20 years of industry experience in supply chain logistics. She has managed a supply fulfillment department for a pharmaceutical company and worked in the warehousing department of a major food production company. She is also licensed on eight different forklifts and has a current CDL-8 license with air brakes, tanker and hazmat endorsements.

Vicki's role as a CLT master trainer at LCTI is to prepare high school and adult students for jobs in supply chain logistics and to prepare instructors to teach the program.

Bob Nichol

Bob Nichol recently retired from the Best Buy Co. where he was the Director of Distribution for the Southwest United States. His responsibilities included all distribution operations in a 12 state area, overseeing in excess of 2 million square feet of warehouse space, 450 to 600 hourly employees and a management team of 40 to 45 mid and senior level management personnel.

Prior to his position with Best Buy, Bob held several executive positions in distribution with other fortune 500 companies that included Pfizer, Jewel Food, Eckerd Drug, and Maryland Cup Corp. He has been in the distribution and transportation industry for over 40 years. Before entering his career in distribution, Bob was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Navy and a carrier pilot. He received three air medals for combat missions in Vietnam.

Bob is a certified instructor for MSSC's certified production technician program as well as a certified "master trainer" for the CLA/CLT programs. Bob was also instrumental in the CLA/CLT curriculum development.



TCC Instructor Training with Bob and Fred

For more information on Instructor Training at TCC and LCTI please contact Katie Bush Garvas at (703) 739-9000 x222 or bushk@msscusa.org.

In the News

Public-private partnerships touted as answer to logistics labor woes

DC Velocity Magazine recognizes the importance of CLT.

“A diverse group of government agencies, private businesses, and community colleges in the Dallas-Fort Worth area have joined forces to develop a Certified Logistics Associate and Certified Logistics Technician credentialing program. The certifications, designed for both high school and community college students, are administered by the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council. The national training center for certification program instructors is the Tarrant County College Corporate Training Center located at the Alliance Global Logistics Hub.”

To read the full article: <http://shar.es/aipjx>

JobCorps recognizes CLT

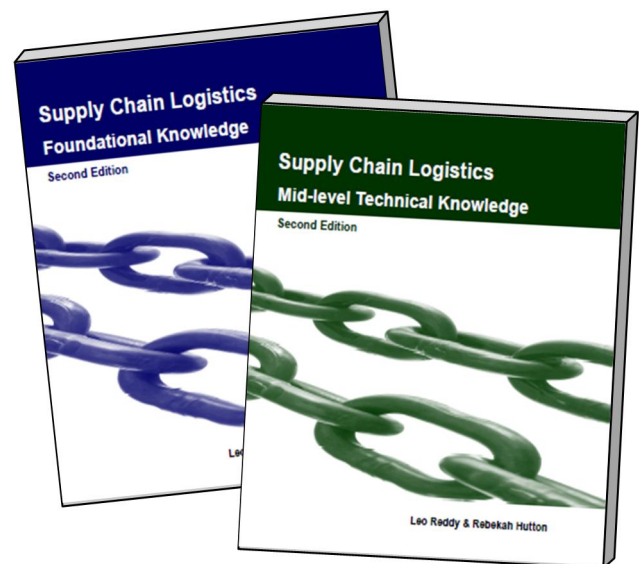
MSSC recently participated in the Job Corps Material and Distribution Operations (MDO) Workgroup meeting at the Department of Labor. The purpose of the meeting was to review and edit standards of the MDO Training Achievement Record (TAR). With renewed interest and commitment to industry-based certifications in both the public and private sector, MSSC is pleased that Job Corps recognizes the value of MSSC training and certification in the field of logistics. Currently MSSC offers the only nationally recognized certification for front-line workers in material handling and distribution operations.

Second Edition Textbooks Available

MSSC is pleased to announce that the second edition textbooks are now available for both CLA and CLT courses. Updated PDF versions are also available on the LMS.

The second edition is slightly more compact and has some minor edits to grammar and content. The most notable change is that the Metric Conversions unit was moved from the Foundational to the Mid-level Technical course to correspond with the assessment tests.

As with the first edition, CLA and CLT textbooks are only available with the purchase of courses. However, MSSC will allow MSSC-Certified Instructors to purchase copies of the 2nd Edition texts (limit 2 copies per instructor) at a discounted price of \$25.00 each.



For more information or to purchase textbooks or courses please contact Katie Bush Garvas at (703) 739-9000 x222 or bushk@msscusa.org.

CLA/CLT Instructor Training Schedule at TCC*

Training Dates	Deadline for Registration	Optional Onsite Test Date
January 11-12	December 28	January 13
February 8-9	January 25	February 10
March 8-9	February 22	March 10
April 12-13	March 29	April 14
May 10-11	April 26	May 12
June 14-15	May 31	June 16

*LCTI CLT Instructor Training Schedule to be announced.

MSSC e-Learning Software Introduced for CLT

MSSC is excited to announce that with assistance from The Quality Group (TQG) we have recently completed the development of its e-Learning courseware for its "Certified Logistics Technician (CLT)" certification system for Supply Chain Logistics entry- to frontline-level workers. The certification system is based upon nationally validated standards defined by industry subject matter experts provided by 50 of the nations leading logistics companies.

MSSC, the national leader in certifying the foundational skills of the front-line industrial workforce, developed this new certification system under a July 2007 grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to the North Central Texas Workforce Board and in partnership with the Texas Manufacturing Assistance Center. MSSC is now rolling out the CLA/CLT training and certification system nationwide.

As a member of the TQG e-Learning community the CLT Certification System can be easily implemented within your own college. The CLT

"Supply Chain Logistics e-Learning Series" consists of 18-online course units, providing comprehensive, cost-effective, and engaging training to enhance the competency of the supply chain logistics workforce. The Series addresses the core competencies of higher skilled, front-line material handling workers (entry-level to first line of supervision) across the supply chain: from factories, to warehouses, to distribution centers to transporters.

The **Supply Chain Logistics e-Learning Series** also helps both students and workers increase their chances of success on MSSC Assessments – the foundational-level Certified Logistics Associate (CLA) certificate and mid-level Certified Logistics Technician (CLT) certification.

