

WELCOME!

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KICK-OFF MEETING



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LEAN TOGETHER™

- Create, develop, sustain lean culture
- Collaborative learning platform
- Professionally facilitated training sessions

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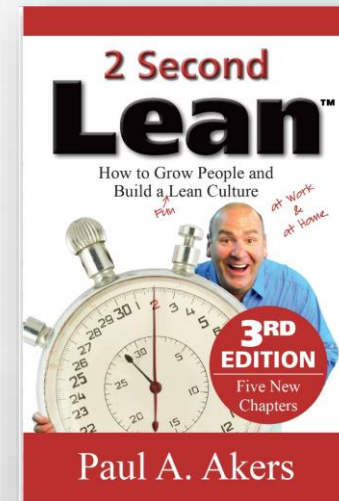


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MOVING FORWARD

- Meet the prerequisites
 - ✓ Passion to achieve business excellence
 - ✓ Open mind
 - ✓ Desire to learn and improve
 - ✓ Trust
 - ✓ Respect for peers
- Read "*2 Second Lean*" before February session
 - ✓ Assignment: what bugs you
- Schedule your session to host
- Shape the experience; provide your input



OUTLINE FOR EACH SESSION

- Meet at host plant
- Brief introduction and overview of the host plant's capabilities
- "Go to See" – a structured "Gemba Walk"; observe live team meeting
- Debrief observations; share and test ideas
- Facilitated discussion on "*2 Second Lean*"
- Review forum discussion topics
- Lean Learning Nugget
- Wrap up – a "2 Second" takeaway



WHAT DOES THE HOST COMPANY DO?

- Provide a place for the group to gather
- 5 minute overview of the business
 - ✓ How long in business
 - ✓ Major products and services
- Host the “Go to See” walk through
- Pre-host coaching

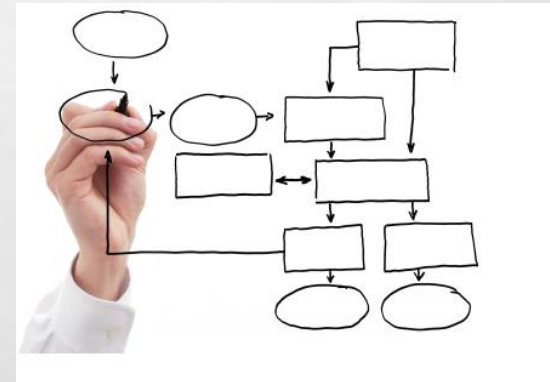
“GO TO SEE”

- Not a typical plant tour
- Targeted area to observe
- Not for finding fault
- Not for solving the problem
- Objective is to fully understand the situation



LEAN LEARNING NUGGETS

- Building lean culture
- Leadership – growing people
- Your company culture – University/Academy
- “What bugs you”
- 8 Wastes
- 5S
- Three Pillars of Lean
- Continuous improvement tools
- Structuring effective team meetings
- Others



TOOLS AND RESOURCES

- Lean Together™ Community
 - ✓ Resources
 - ✓ Discussion Forum

The screenshot shows the Lean Together™ Community website. At the top, there is a red navigation bar with the NWIRC logo (Driving Impact for Manufacturers) on the left and social media icons (LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook) on the right. Below the navigation bar, the text "LEAN TOGETHER COMMUNITY" is displayed. The main content area is white and contains the following elements:

- Links: "Lean Together™ Resources and Discussion Forum" and "Lean Together™ Session Notes".
- Instructional text: "Click on the desired link above. Be sure you are signed in to participate in the forum discussions or to access resources."
- Login form fields: "Username:" and "Password:" with corresponding input boxes.
- Checkbox: "Keep me signed in".
- Text: "Sign in with your NWIRC account" and "Sign out".
- Log In button: A small button labeled "Log In".

On the right side of the page, there is a blue sidebar titled "LEAN TOGETHER COMMUNITY" containing a login form with the following elements:

- Username: Input field.
- Password: Input field.
- Remember Me: A checked checkbox.
- Sign in with your NWIRC account: Text above a "Sign in" button.
- Sign out: Text below the "Sign in" button.
- Last Password: Text at the bottom of the sidebar.

QUESTIONS?

Next meeting:

**February 21st
8 am – 10 am
American Turned Products**

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