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SHARE SHOWCASE! CONSORTIUM CHALLENGE



Kraft Foods was the host of the annual Consortium Share Showcase. This year we had 14 teams represented from Consortium Member Companies. The displays were all outstanding and the Display area was buzzing with conversation as teams graciously shared ideas during the morning.

It seems that business gets busier every year and more difficult to find the "gift of time" to share and learn. Many of our companies felt challenged to assemble and send teams, but it was very evident that once at the venue the value of participation and attendance was truly appreciated.

The chief Quarterback for the event was **Cindy Grolleman from Stackpole**. She insured that all of the teams were looked after, all participants received a gift and that attendees were well fed with an outstanding Barbeque. Cindy ... your Consortium directors cannot say THANK YOU enough.



Here is Brenda from Orenda our newest member with Mr. 5S, showcasing their 5S efforts.

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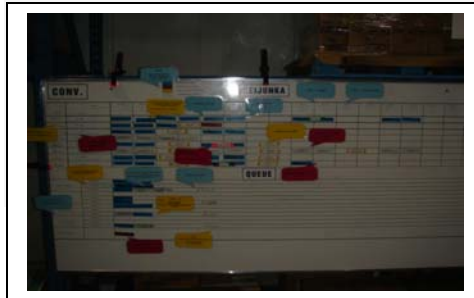
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CONSORTIUM SHARESHOWCASE

There were just so many ideas that each member could easily incorporate into their organization.

One observation, was how many members have evolved in their pull systems that they are now embracing the use of Hyjunkia boards to level load their production schedule.

Kraft, Morrison LaMothe, and CFN Precision all displayed their respective examples. Very quickly the teams from the three companies were exchanging ideas and lessons learned. I am certain that next year we will see a Hy-Bred Hyjunkia board incorporating the best of all three organizations.



Above is the Hyjunkia Board being used by **CFN Precision**. It is a living board that incorporated PM, set-ups and many other features which are totally managed by the shop Team Members. (guess that plant did not run this past Saturday)

CTS of Canada ... provided for many the "Ah Ha" moment at the ShareShowcase with such a simple modification to the standard FIFO lane approach it made many practitioners seem silly. Instead of using straight FIFO lanes they simply incorporated them into "L" shaped lanes inside a square area, thereby allowing users to incorporate the staging of "Runners, Repeaters and Strangers. Simple, but awesome.



Compressed Air does not assist in cleaning but rather just scatters the dust around the facility. **Peter Bratusa from Sateckpole CSD** showed how he now "sucks". He and his team came up with a very simple invention that allows for excess powder metal to be sucked off the parts and even can be recycled. This neat device even consumes 75% less air than the previous methodology using air knives. Kraft saw the idea and found some applications for CSD's latest idea.

Better get a patent Peter ...



Readers of Lean Thoughts recently were exposed to the term "Yokoten" or Knowledge Data base. **Harry Katis from Stackpole AGD** took the concept and built a problem solving data base for correcting part non-conformances. The data base engine is available for free to other consortium members.



Nestle Waters participated with 3 teams this year. 1) the Health and Safety team showcased awareness for Safety in the workplace with dramatic results already accomplished. 2) The Performance brigade showed how the application of 6 Sigma tools will dramatically reduce the waste of pre-forms and finally 3) the Waste Eliminators showed how using the tool of Enterprise Value Stream Mapping can bring simplification to global initiatives by the understanding of value add and non value add activities.

CGL showcased the power of their "Job Boss" tooling and other item dispenser that is being used within their facility.

More stuff in upcoming newsletters, Congratulations to all how came and participated.

Consortium Event Schedule

Tour Workshop Conference



January	February	March	April	May	June
<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 25 <u>Eaton Electrical</u>, contact Joe Fisher, JoeRFisher@eaton.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 15, <u>CFN Precision</u>, contact Barry Wood, bwood@cfn-inc.com</p> <p>W</p> <p>Date & location TBA Your own "STEP Diagnostic" to create Vision, Mission and Direction Contact Richard Kunst Richard.kunst@la-z-boy.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 22, <u>Nestle Waters</u>, contact Mariela Castano mcastano@perriergroup.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 19, <u>CTS Corp.</u>, contact Bob Garces, Bob.Garces@ac.ctscorp.com</p> <p>Consortium Shakeshowcase Saturday 29 <u>Kraft Oakville</u>. Contact Cindy Grolleman cindy.grolleman@stackpole.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 17, <u>Stackpole CSD</u>, contact Don Barber Don.Barber@stackpole.ca</p> <p>W</p> <p>Date & location TBA "Compartmentalize the Noise" * Daily Report-outs * Standard work for Leaders Contact Richard Kunst Richard.kunst@la-z-boy.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 21, <u>Morrison LaMothe</u>, contact Tony Vita tvita@morrisonlamthe.com</p> <p>C</p> <p>AME Regional Conference Mon 12 to Thurs 15 K-W Ontario Contact www.ame.org</p>
July	August	September	October	November	December
	<p>W</p> <p>Date & location TBA "Establish Anchors" * VSWI ... Visual Work Instructions * TPM ... Total Productive Maintenance Contact Richard Kunst Richard.kunst@la-z-boy.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 20, <u>Kraft Foods</u>, contact Hanif Jivraj hjivraj@Kraft.com</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 11, <u>Stackpole PMC</u>, contact Cindy Grolleman cindy.grolleman@stackpole.com</p> <p>C</p> <p>AME National Conference Mon 16 to Friday 20 Dallas, Texas Contact www.ame.org</p>	<p>T</p> <p>Wednesday 15, <u>Messier-Dowty</u>, contact Richard Evans Richard.Evans@Messier-dowty.on.ca</p> <p>W</p> <p>Date & location TBA Your own "Get Organized" * 5S+1 Contact Richard Kunst Richard.kunst@la-z-boy.com</p>	