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Director's Chair

The Jacksonville Lean Consortium's Board of Directors cordially invites you to attend a Special Meeting of Members:

Wednesday June 29, 2011
UNF's University Center
12000 Alumni Drive Jacksonville, FL
4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Important matters concerning you as a member will be discussed, including filling Board vacancies, proposed By-laws changes, reviewing the current state of the Consortium as we enter the second half of 2011, and transacting such other business as may properly be submitted. This event will also be an opportunity for members to help us

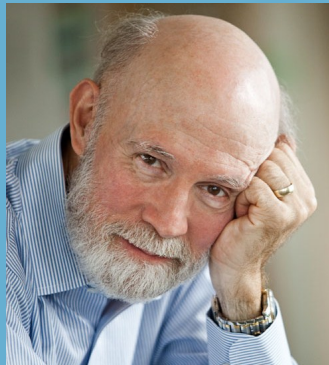


Bob Golitz
Exec.
Director

**Newest Member:
The Blood
Alliance**

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**Jim Womack:
Gemba Walks**



Take part in a rare opportunity to meet, listen to, and ask questions from a world renowned authority on Lean!

Information:
Wednesday, June 15
4:00 - 6:00 PM

formulate our plans for the future, provide the Board with candid feedback and input on improvements we can make that will best serve the needs of the membership and the community.

There is a need to fill Board vacancies and I am asking members who either are interested in volunteering to serve on the Board, or who know someone who may be interested, to submit such nominations to me no later than June 10, 2011. A short biography is required. (NOTE: Nominees need not be members of the Consortium).

We invite all of our members to attend this event. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP back with names and contact information to [Virginia](#) by June 17th. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

A Warm Welcome

by: Virginia E. Dana

We are so proud to have The Blood Alliance as our newest member! Did you know that blood is used for a variety of treatments

from transfusions to helping people involved in traumatic injuries due to accidents? It is used during elective surgeries and is vital to those with chronic and life threatening conditions like Sickle Cell Disease, Leukemia etc.

The Blood Alliance has eleven community donor centers to collect blood and blood products for our local hospitals and save lives in our community. You may also have seen their Bloodmobile parked in front of many business around town or at various community events. Imagine the what the power of



UNF University Center
Cost

(Prepaid/Door):

Member \$50 / \$55

Non-Member \$75/\$80

Refreshments

Included

Book \$25 / \$30

Monthly Quote:

"The life of lean is experiments. All authority for any sensei flows from experiments on the gemba (the place where work takes place), not from dogmatic interpretation of sacred texts or a few degrees of separation from the founders of the movement. In short, lean is not a religion but a daily practice of conducting experiments and accumulating knowledge."
- Jim Womack

Jerry Bussell:
Our Lean Navigator

Lean can do for them!

Success Stories

We recently held a Kaizen Facilitator Report Out Event during which two teams of now certified Kaizen Facilitators presented their results. The Blue and the Green team both celebrated their successes. Since the Safariland Team's (Blue's) results were so significant, we want to share their value savings.



Blue Team - Safariland

Blue Teams problem statement:

Production of the new BRO1-3A Ballistic Configuration is currently running under efficiency which does not support the cost structure.

Their objective:

Reduce panel prep time which will increase the total line production.

After studying, mapping, & testing, they were able to come up with these results:

Process Steps (Before / After): 158 / 60 = 62% Reduction

Prep Time (Before / After): 31 min / 12 min = 61% Reduction

This will result in an annual savings of over \$183,000 for Safariland.

Now for those companies who think they can't afford to run a kaizen event....here's a better question....can you afford NOT to?

Feel free to send us your own Lean articles and success stories! We want to hear from you!!



Sincerely,

Virginia E. Dana
Marketing & Training Coordinator

June 2011



I would like to take a moment and acknowledge Jerry Bussell for everything he has done and is continuing to do for our Consortium. Although he has retired from Medtronic (now working with his own company, Bussell Lean Associates, LLC) he is still a member of our Board and has been instrumental in bringing about one of our biggest "catches" yet, Jim Womack! One might think that after retirement Jerry might take a back seat in our Lean journey, but instead he's jumped right in

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and taken the position of navigator.
Thank you, Jerry,
with you on our side,
we'll never loose our way!

-Bob Golitz

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[Forward to anyone interested in learning more about Lean!](#)



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