



Happy New Year from the Lean Construction Institute!

2007 proved to be a year filled with real progress within the AEC industry in lean construction implementation and research. Lean project delivery was highlighted in:



- ENR's cover story of the lean initiative at Sutter Health (Nov. 26, 2007)
- CURT's national conference: "LEAN Projects from an Owner Perspective" and "Integrated Form of Agreement: A Relational Contracting Style That Works," in Naples, FL (Nov. 7, 2007)
- The launch of ConsensusDOCS, featuring the LCI version of the Integrated Form of Agreement (Sept. 28, 2007)
- CII's annual conference, featuring the research report, "Roadmap for Lean Implementation at the Project Level," in Orlando, FL (Aug. 1, 2007)

JOIN US! *Introduction and Implementation of the Last Planner System*

<http://lcicascadialastplanner.eventbrite.com>

Thurs, January 17, 2008

*Dinner Meeting from 5-9pm PST
Glen Acres Golf Club, Seattle, WA
Featured Speaker: Dean Reed, Lean
Construction Coordinator, DPR Construction*

***Introduction to Lean Construction:
Foundations, Opportunities,
and Implementation***

March 6 & 7, 2008

<http://intro2leanconstdenver.eventbrite.com>

Hilton Garden Downtown, Denver, CO

Lean Construction creates opportunities for improvement in project and organizational performance. People attending this seminar will understand the foundation, nature and results of these opportunities, and what it takes to realize them.

- The cover story of The VOICE magazine for CURT members (Summer 2007)
- The 15th Annual Conference of the International Group for Lean Construction in East Lansing, MI (July 18-20, 2007)
- CURT's member workshop, "This Changes Everything," with presentations by LCI members, in Phoenix, AZ (Apr. 11, 2007)

Looking forward, we sense lean is at a tipping point in construction and it is time to take LCI to a new level. To that end, on the next page, we will be asking for your feedback and support on our efforts to organize the 2008 LCI Congress, develop local LCI chapters, and build a virtual LCI community. Please send your comments on these subjects to Cynthia Tsao at ccytsao@leanconstruction.org.

Lean is changing the common sense in the AEC industry!



Help us plan

2008 LCI Congress

For the 2008 LCI Congress, please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/2fuvlx>

and let us know via Survey Monkey what you think about the following options:

When? Week of October 20, October 27, or November 17, 2008?

Where? (1) Park City, Utah, (2) Denver, Colorado, or (3) Chicago, Illinois?

What? What types of presentations do you want to see/give at the LCI Congress?

LCI Chapters / Virtual Community

Locally, Robert Blakey has established the LCI-Cascadia Chapter to serve the Northwest. We expect other chapters will be established in Northern California, the Front Range of Colorado, Texas, and Florida. We aim to connect chapters with research organizations in local universities such as the Project Production System Laboratory at the University of California, Berkeley.

Local chapters will serve to develop a broader lean community by providing training, field visits, and the networking and community development necessary to change the common sense in the industry. We are also looking to find other ways to develop LCI's virtual community of lean practitioners – e.g., web-based wikis, webinars, discussion forums, etc. Please let us know if you are interested in helping establish a local chapter or build the virtual community of lean project delivery practitioners!

COMING EVENTS

<p>MARCH 6 & 7, 2008</p> <p><i>Introduction to Lean Construction: Foundations, Opportunities, and Implementation</i></p> <p>http://intro2leanconstdenver.eventbrite.com</p> <p><i>Hilton Garden Downtown, Denver, CO</i></p> <p>Lean Construction creates opportunities for improvement in project and organizational performance. People attending this seminar will understand the foundation, nature and results of these opportunities, and what it takes to realize them.</p>	<p>JUNE 12 & 13, 2008</p> <p><i>Lean Design Forum</i></p> <p><i>Location: St. Louis, MO</i></p> <p>The Lean Design Forum of LCI was formed to</p> <p>(1) Develop evidence for the benefits of investing in design; benefits for customers, designers and all stakeholders, including society, (2) Develop means for executing design to increase return on investment, and (3) Promote beneficial practices in the construction industry.</p>
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