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**CoP Corner**

Remember you are now able to use the new LCI database to keep track of membership rosters, send newsletters, and advertise their events more easily. Usage ensures the LCI Calendar of events carries your local Community of Practice events and registration as well. Registration is easy, so be sure to stay active in your area.

The **LCI Practice Committee** (as in Communities of Practice) is now working on perfecting formation guidelines for new CoPs, among other actions. The final draft of this guidance document will be shared with the CoPs for further comment as soon as it is in semi-final form based on the committee review. A separate document will be developed next dealing with operations for CoPs.

**Congress planning team continues to do great work**

Did you see a great lean presentation at your local Community of Practice meeting? At another conference? Have you seen a presentation that, though not specifically discussing lean, inspired you to be more lean in your job? If so, encourage the presenter(s) to submit an abstract through the LCI Congress website. If it inspired you, it will inspire others. The best ideas on lean learning come from the community, be a voice in developing the congress you want to attend. If there is a presentation you want to see and don't know how to reach the presenter, please email Julia Shellhouse [jshellhouse@leanconstruction.org](mailto:jshellhouse@leanconstruction.org) directly and the congress planning committee will work towards tracking down the presenter. Thank you for your support in making this year's Congress the most impactful yet. The link below will allow you to click through to the abstract submission form.

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## Words of Wisdom

From the book *The Owner's Dilemma* - "Now that the rest of the world is embracing multi-disciplinary collaboration, the building industry must resist the urge to train architecture, engineering, and construction management professionals only as experts but instead provide the skills necessary for them to capture the power and the extraordinary potential of collaboration... Owners can encourage this skill development by providing opportunities for teams to work together to solve problems early in the project development process and by sharing lessons learned between projects. Owners can and should insist that team information is shared openly and generously, even between project teams, to overcome traditional fragmentation." (p. 27)

## Upcoming Events

**Apr 02**  
**Improv Your Collaboration**  
(Colorado CoP)

**Apr 02**  
**IPD Implementation at Walt Disney Imagineering**  
(Los Angeles LCI)

Platinum level is already sold out!), so please be sure to sign up early to avoid missing out on this opportunity to reach hundreds of Lean practitioners from across the country. Questions? Contact: [igoldberg@leanconstruction.org](mailto:igoldberg@leanconstruction.org).

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## LCI/P2SL/AIA Annual Lean in Design Forum is June 4-5 in Chicago

Our annual June forum dedicated to the Lean Design community features a half-day tutorial session (2-6PM) on Lean in Design June 4, followed by an 8AM to 4PM session June 5, with four 90-minute discussions to include lots of audience interaction. The segments are planned to include an owner's perspective, a national consultant's perspective, a panel on using Lean internally in architectural practice, and a panel focused on using the tools (like full-size mock-ups) to meet client needs. This promises to be a most effective outreach in an important national design market. Please put it on your calendar and plan to join us! Sponsorship opportunities are available as well.

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## membership

**Apr 08**

**How to Use Lean Design & Construction to Form a Collaborative Approach to Your Next Project**  
(Cascadia-Seattle CoP)

Send a company description for the website, 75 words or less, to Ilene Goldberg at [igoldberg@leanconstruction.org](mailto:igoldberg@leanconstruction.org). Let prospective clients know about your Lean journey!

[Click here to see examples](#)

**Apr 09**

**Small Wins: The Essence of Continuous Improvement A**  
(NorCal CoP)

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### Take just a few minutes to register yourself in the new LCI database system

LCI members: please remember to take **just a few minutes to register yourself in the new LCI database system**, known as MemberClicks. This will save you time in the long run in registering for our future events and receiving information on new programs, plus accessing members-only content. This process will generate a new, individually-tailored member password for you. Thanks again for your support!

**Apr 10**

**Small Wins: The Essence of Continuous Improvement B**  
(NorCal CoP)

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**Apr 15**

**Lean Design & Construction - Principles & Best Practices**  
(Cascadia-Seattle CoP)

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### Intro to Lean national WEBINAR

LCI's first **Intro to Lean national WEBINAR** presented by LCI member-consultant Kristin Hill (InsideOut Consulting) will be held May 16th from 11am - 12:30pm EST. Prices are \$75 for members and \$150 for nonmembers. Stay tuned for guidance on upcoming webinar opportunities. NOTE/REMINDER: Registration is a two-step process - After you register for this GotoWebinar-managed session with LCI, you will receive a link to actually register for the webinar itself. If this step is not completed, you will not receive your individual link to sign in to the webinar.

**Apr 26**

**Celebration of Hope Gala with Huntington's Disease Society of America**  
(Arizona CoP)

[Click here to register](#)

**Apr 29**

**Workforce Development Conference (WDC)**  
(Birmingham, AL)

**May 16**

WEBINAR- Introduction to  
Lean Design &  
Construction  
(LCI HQ)

May 20  
Introduction to Lean Design  
& Construction  
(LCI HQ)

## Introduction to Lean Design & Construction

The National Capital Region (NCR) CoP is presenting an all-day Intro to Lean on May 20th from 8-4 at LCI Headquarters in Arlington, VA. David MacNeel (On Point Lean Consulting) will be the presenter and the lean tools reviewed will be the Last Planner System ® Integrated Project Delivery, SS, Prototyping, Visual Control, Target Value Design, and Choosing by Advantages. This course is AIA CES registered for 7.5 credits.

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## Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Spring workforce conference

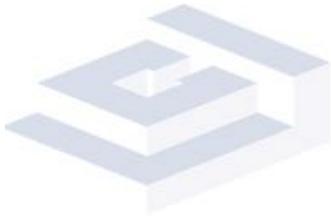
The **Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Spring workforce conference** is coming up in Birmingham, AL, and includes a workshop on Introduction to Lean Construction, April 28-29, taught by former LCI executive director Dick Bayer/The Realignment Group. The description reads: Lean construction is a production management-based approach to projects. Lean changes the way work is done throughout the delivery process by maximizing value and minimizing waste. Learn how to apply specific techniques when designing and building capital facilities. Info: go to [www.abc.org](http://www.abc.org) and click on "Events."

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## First annual "Safety Week" takes place May 4-10

The **first annual "Safety Week" takes place May 4-10**. Organized by a number of major construction firms, including LCI members Gilbane, Limbach, Mortenson, and Skanska, the week is intended to promote focus on enhanced safety practices and eliminate worker injury. Safety is everyone's concern, and a Lean worksite is a safer worksite. As Mike McNally, president of Skanska USA puts it, "Safety is all about caring for those around you. To be a truly great company we have to be great teammates in every sense of the word. We have to watch out for one another. We have to be completely intolerant of injury."

[Click here for more information](#)



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Heinemeier".

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