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What can I say?

"The dog ate my homework"? An overdue and overlong note begins after this opening, with reports on two events.

This prelude expanded as I realized how these reports connected to people and ideas. And I got carried away. This is what old men do. I thought back about research and reflected on the surprise it brings. And that reminded me (here we go again in advance) of the book *Inside Jokes: Using Humor to Reverse Engineer the Mind*. The authors, Matthew Hurley, Daniel Dennett and Reginald Adams, explore the established theories of humor and show how none of them provide a general explanation for why things are funny.

[Read more from Greg Howell](#)

CURT|LCI|AGC|AIA LEAN Summit - June 12 in Colorado Springs, CO - REGISTER NOW!

Join us and learn how organizations have effectively implemented LEAN Construction as a project delivery approach. Attendees will also have an opportunity to provide guidance for Owners implementing LEAN as a project delivery approach on capital projects for various levels of decision makers. Each discussion will close with key takeaways to help audience members determine their own next steps for implementing LEAN as a project delivery approach.

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Held June 13 – 14 at the Crowne Plaza in Colorado Springs and co-sponsored by LCI, P2SL and AIA, this forum is designed to provide significantly more time for audience interactions, reflection and Q&A.

Don't miss:

- Opening Provocation with **Greg Howell**, LCI and **Phil Bernstein**, Autodesk
- How best identify and align ends and constraints at the beginning and during a project with **Will Lichtig**, Boldt and **John Duvivier**, Gensler
- How to steer design to deliver value within project constraints of time, money, location, etc. with **Michael Bade**, UC/San Francisco and **Ari Pennannen**, Haahtela
- How to determine during and after design if value is being/was delivered with **Michael Bade**, UC/San Francisco and **Frank Becker**, Cornell University



- Exploring the merits and challenges of using Lean-endorsed tools and techniques such as A3s and Choosing by Advantages vs. different/adapted methods in different design phases with **Glenn Ballard**, UC-Berkeley/P2SL
- Reflection and Exploration - A facilitated session by **all the moderators** based on the more stimulating and helpful insights of the various topics - report outs and table discussion.

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If you are interested in contributing a presentation to the 2013 LCI Congress, please access the link below for directions, schedule, etc. Responses are due May 31. Our 2013 Congress takes place in Dallas, TX October 22-25. [Click here to submit your abstract.](#)

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