

Regional Event – St John's, Newfoundland September 20-22, 2015

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

(Subject to change)

Hotel reservations can be found at the Sheraton Hotel, St John's. Please call 1-888-870-3033 or click <u>CKCA Eastern Regional Meeting</u> to book your hotel room directly. Rate is \$199 plus taxes.

Please state group name Canadian Kitchen Cabinet Association when booking online or via telephone.

You may also email info@ckca.ca if you need assistance.

Sunday, September 20, 2015

11.30AM "For those that are golfing"

Lunch will be served for golfers.

12.00PM "The Osprey"

Golf at "Clovelly" We will be taking on the Osprey – a challenging 72 hole championship course.

Tee off Times - staggered tee times begin - enjoy a challenging 18 holes, including power carts.

7.00PM

Our Event officially kicks off with a reception and dinner - location to be confirmed shortly.

We will also hear a presentation from CKCA President, Jim Lawrence on "Big Marketing Ideas for Small Marketing Budgets" after dinner.

Monday, September 21, 2015

7.30AM "The Narrow's Room" Sheraton Hotel

Enjoy a delicious breakfast and networking opportunity

8.00AM

Morning speaker – **David Haire,** Acting Vice President, Newfoundland & Labrador Division, Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters.

Lean Manufacturing Seminar - The 5 principles of LEAN and the 7 forms of waste.

Overview

In the global race to compete, Lean Manufacturing is an effective method of reducing waste within the manufacturing process while instilling a culture of continuous improvement. Waste is defined as



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anything that does not add value to the customer—or anything the customer is unwilling to pay for. "Lean" enables a manufacturer to do more with less so that the company can reduce costs while increasing productivity and delivering value to local, national and global customers.

Lean follows the entire process from initial customer contact through ordering, fulfillment, billing and final payment. All of the various steps and sub-steps are tracked and scouted for waste. The result is an organization that is streamlined and efficient, reducing waste, improving cost, quality and time of

9.15AM "Plant Tours"

delivery.

Nuway Kitchens 1328 Topsail Road, Paradise, NL, CA, A1L 1P2, Phone: (709) 782-1711

<u>Horizon Laminates</u> 47 Sagona Avenue, Donovan's Industrial Park, Mount Pearl, NL A1N 4P9, (709) 364-0003

*** Note – plant tour order and specific timings to be confirmed shortly, as well as transportation

12.30PM Return to hotel

12.30PM Lunch is served! "The Narrow's Room" Sheraton Hotel

1.00PM

Lunch Speaker - Mélanie Brochu, FPInnovations, Six Sigma

Mélanie Brochu is based out of Saint John and covers the Atlantic Provinces for FPInnovations. Her main role is to support wood products companies in improving their product quality and process efficiency, as well as transferring the R&D knowledge of FPInnovations to the sector.

She will be sharing her experience on **Six Sigma** - what it is, how to implement it, and what are the benefits of doing it.

Six Sigma is a rigorous and a systematic methodology that utilizes factual information and statistical analysis to measure and improve a company's operational performance, practices and systems. When the principles are implemented, businesses have experienced benefits in reduced manufacturing costs, higher quality and less rework.

2.00-6.00PM - FREE TIME - take some time to relax, enjoy the area, or catch up on some work!

6.00PM Meet in hotel lobby for "Rally in the Alley"

6.00PM - 11.00PM

"Rally in the Alley"

You won't want to miss this!

St. John's has more bars and pubs per capita than any other city in Canada and most of them are located on the infamous George Street. This evening the group gets to experience the famous



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nightlife of downtown St. John's. We will host a traditional Fish and Chips Dinner and follow dinner with an organized Pub Crawl that features local entertainment and cultural experiences in each venue. We will finish the event at one of the venues on George Street, complete with a live dance band and our group!

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

9.00AM "The Narrow's Room" Sheraton Hotel

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Breakfast Speaker - Richard Lipman, President, Wood Manufacturing Council

Richard will summarize what we are hearing from manufacturers about their HR issues and challenges and summarize the labour market information studies that have been done recently. Then we would look at possible solutions to these issues/challenges, including pre-employment training, high school curriculum for the woodworking industry, on-line management training, and international trades training. We will cover tools for assessing the skills of workers, attraction and advancement of women in the sector, career awareness and promotion for the sector and retention issues.

10.30-11AM - Break

11.00AM

Speaker - Peter Mate, President and CEO, Planit Canada;

- 1. Using technology based positions to entice young workers
- 2. ERP Software Running your business and still have a life.
- 3. Bring out the Laser! Laser measurement. Why and for who? And more....

In the woodworking industry since 1999, Peter has a strong understanding of CNC equipment, its tooling, processes, but most importantly the software that drives it. Focused on providing strong leadership to cultivate a top level team to market and service the Canadian woodworking industry with best in class software tools for manufacturing, showrooms and business processes. A true technology buff that has contributed over 50 columns in the Woodworking Canada magazine on the topic. Currently serving on the board of directors for both the Canadian Kitchen Cabinet Association and the Wood

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Program Ends after lunch