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ARE YOU READY TO BEGIN YOUR LEAN JOURNEY, BUT DO NOT KNOW HOW?

***SME CHAPTER 105 WELCOMES YOU TO JOIN JIM GARRICK FOR A SME/AME/SHINGO
PRIZE LEAN BRONZE PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM***

It may seem like a daunting task to start the SME–AME–Shingo Prize Lean Certification process. This program is a working session that will help you develop your Bronze portfolio — the second stop on your certification journey. At this workshop, you'll get a sound understanding of the portfolio requirements for Lean Bronze Certification and have the ability to begin developing your own. Although this is the second step, you can begin your portfolio prior to your Bronze exam. Mr. Jim Garrick will facilitate this four hour workshop on:

Friday, October 13 from 1:00pm—5:00pm

Friday November 3 from 1:00pm—5:00pm

The attendance is limited to **ten** (10) students, and both workshops will be held at Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare. Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare Professional Building is located at 1211 Union Avenue. Parking is free and easy. Chapter 105 will request a minimum donation of \$25. These donations will be given to Methodist Le Bonheur Foundation building campaign that will help fund the new state-of-the-art children's hospital.

Upon completion of this workshop, participants will have:

- * A solid understanding of the Lean Certification body of knowledge
- * An understanding of the overall Lean Certification process
- * An understanding of the Bronze–level portfolio requirements and review process
- * A solid understanding of how to create a Lean Bronze portfolio
- * Ability to interact with industry Lean experts and share portfolio "Best Practices"

**Ultimately, upon completion you should be ready to develop and submit your
Bronze portfolio**

The Society of Engineers, Memphis chapter 105, has chosen Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare as our community organization to support. Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center, known locally as simply Le Bonheur, opened its doors in 1954 as a result of efforts stemming from a woman's sewing club working to provide clothes to orphans. Their vision, along with the support of community leaders, was to build what was then "the most modern of children's hospitals." Fifty-four years later, Le Bonheur staff has kept that promise through the years, providing excellent healthcare to generations of children in Memphis and the surrounding Mid-South area. Currently, we are taking on the mission of growing the hospital from a provider of excellent care to one of exceptional care. Our current facilities are too small to support the overwhelming need of our community. Your support will ensure a future of hope for all children that come to us in need of treatment. Thank you for your time and your care!



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Jim Garrick, Manager Continuous Improvement
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Mr. Garrick is a Lean process improvement professional with over sixteen years of consumer packaged goods, HVAC, automotive, and consulting experience. His accomplishments include process improvement, plant layout and design, manufacturing process optimization, consumer packaged goods brand development, product design and development, and field sales operations. The majority of his experience is concentrated in the areas of Lean Manufacturing and the optimization of the enterprise supply chain.

Most recently, Mr. Garrick has served as Manager Continuous Improvement for AutoZone in Memphis, TN. He has worked with a number of suppliers implementing Lean manufacturing practices.

Mr. Garrick holds a bachelor's degree in Manufacturing Engineering and his MBA from Tennessee Technological University. He is a certified Lean Master, Six Sigma Black Belt, Manufacturing Engineer, Production Inventory Control Manager, Systems Integrator, Plant Layout and Design Engineer, ISO 9000 registration, and Sales and Marketing Executive. Mr. Garrick has received numerous professional awards which include a United States Patent, Award of Merit and Outstanding Young Engineer - Society of Manufacturing Engineers, Who's Who in Engineering, Who's Who in American Professionals, and Outstanding Young Alumni Award - Gannon University. He has published numerous articles, presented technical papers, and served as a convention key note speaker. He is a member of the SE Board of Directors for the Association of Manufacturing Excellence, Member Council for the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, and is a core team member for the SME/AME/Shingo Prize Lean certification program. He is currently a Shingo Prize examiner and Tennessee Malcolm Baldrige examiner.

YOU ARE REQUIRED to review in advance, the Lean bronze portfolio requirements and bring experience support documentation to begin creating your portfolio. ([download at www.sme.org/leancert](http://www.sme.org/leancert)). To get the most out of the course, and advance familiarity of the material is highly recommended.

For more information, or to RSVP, please contact Lorelei Hudspeth at (901) 495-7710 or (901) 327-2944 or e-mail lorelei.hudspeth@autozone.com. Upon enrollment confirmation, you will get specific directions to the Professional Medical Building, specifics on parking and entrance, and a personal phone call from the instructor. These class seats will fill on a first come, first serve basis.