



Northern Lights Chapter # 370

The Northern Lights

December 2007

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You are invited to attend . . .

SME Northern Lights Chapter 370 "Town-hall" Dinner Meeting

SME Northern Lights Chapter 370 invites you to a "Town Hall" Dinner Meeting. We want to hear from you. Please come to our town hall meeting and exchange ideas in a social setting. We'll give a brief update on what's happening in the Chapter, and then our agenda is open.

Let's discuss Technical Meetings, Tours, the Annual Seminar, the Barbecue, the Newsletter and Website, the chapter's financial status, some chapter difficulties, (Not-For-Profit organizations experience difficulties, especially in today's economic climate in Alberta).

We have a wish list of things that we think will make the chapter better. We want your input regarding this list.

If you have any ideas on these issues, or on anything else of interest, we want to hear them. We need your suggestions and comments. Give us your thoughts and opinions. Tell us what you like and what you don't like about the chapter.

This dinner meeting is FREE for all members and costs only \$10 for non members. Our town hall meeting schedule is different from our regular dinner meetings.

WHERE TO GO!

University Faculty Club
11435 Saskatchewan Drive

Wednesday, December 12, 2007

5:30 to 6:00 pm: Social Half-Hour
6:00 pm: Be Seated
6:00 pm to 6:15 pm: The evening agenda
6:15 pm: Start Dinner
6:15 pm to 8:00 pm: Discussion at the tables
8:00 pm to 9:00 pm: Group discussion
9:00 pm: Board Elections for 2008

**COST: FREE for members
\$10 guests**

Please RSVP by the end of the day **Monday, December 10, 2007.**

RSVP Online for our event at

<http://maillists.bijouenhancements.com/sme/>

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The SME Northern Lights Chapter normally holds technical meetings on the second Wednesday of each month except for the month of July and August.

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Thank you...

for reading the Northern Lights. If you are interested in presenting at an SME dinner, please contact Dave Budney, drbudney@shaw.ca.

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**Presented by:
Gary Loblick, P.Eng., MBA**

On February 22, 2008

Companies that have implemented Lean programs have achieved:

- **50% reduction in WIP**
- **75% reduction in labor time for product assembly**
- **Improved on-time delivery by 80%**
- **Reduced average throughput time per order by 65%**
- **Reduced order lead time from 8 weeks to 1 week**
- **Reduced overall labor-hours per unit by 30%**
- **Reduced machine set-up times by 60% to 88%**

SEE UPCOMING NOTIFICATION AND THE SME NORTHERN LIGHTS WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION INCLUDING REGISTRATION DETAILS

<http://chapters.sme.org/c370/seminars/>

Remember to keep SME information current

- We do not wish any of our members or friends to miss a newsletter. Please make sure to inform the newsletter editor of any changes to your email or employment address.
- If you have any newsworthy stories or information, we would be pleased to include it in our newsletter, subject to editorial approval.

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