Sustaining a Problem Solving Culture at TaylorMade Golf

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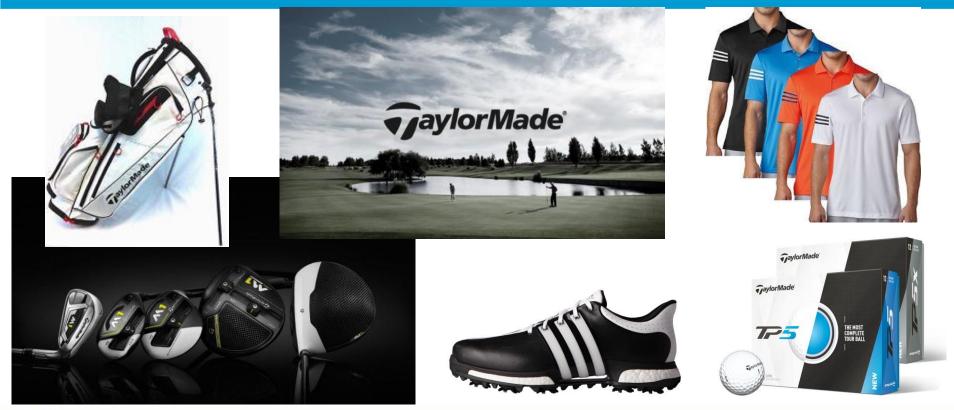


Managing To Create Problem-Solvers



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TaylorMade adidas Golf Products







Agenda

TaylorMade's Lean Journey

Problem Solving at TaylorMade

Examples

Key Learnings

Q&A

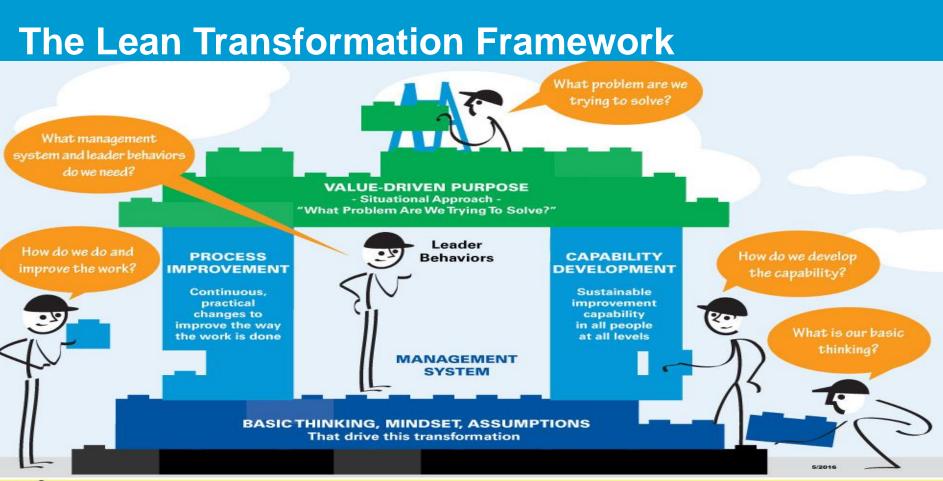


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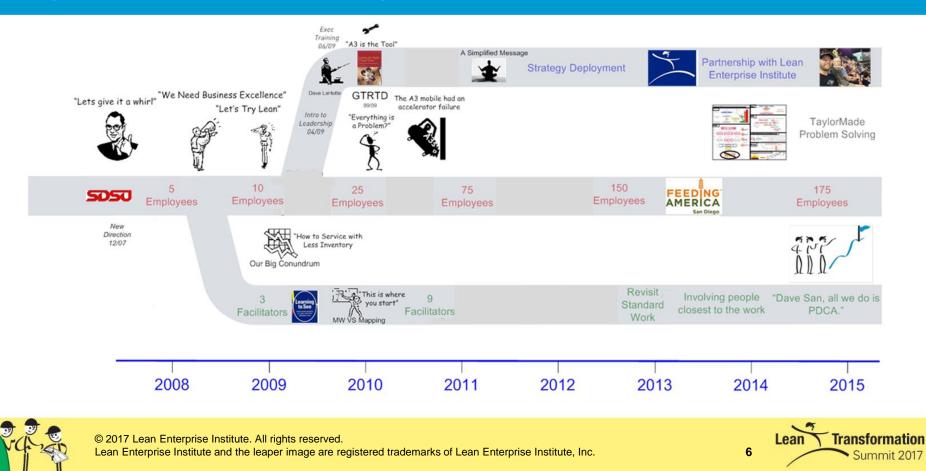


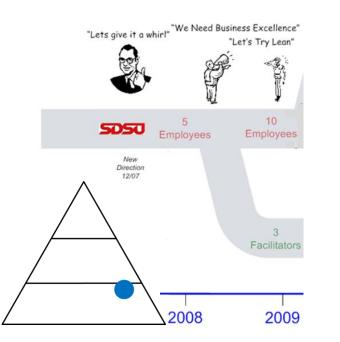
Key Points to Sustainability





TaylorMade's Journey: 2007-2017





Light lean only in manufacturing

Employee engagement focus

Tried Kaizen

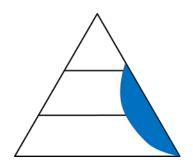
- Adding some value
- Including people closest to the work
- Having a little fun

Started with Lean Fundamentals

Dedicated resources

Employee Engagement	
Business Impact	
Sustainability	

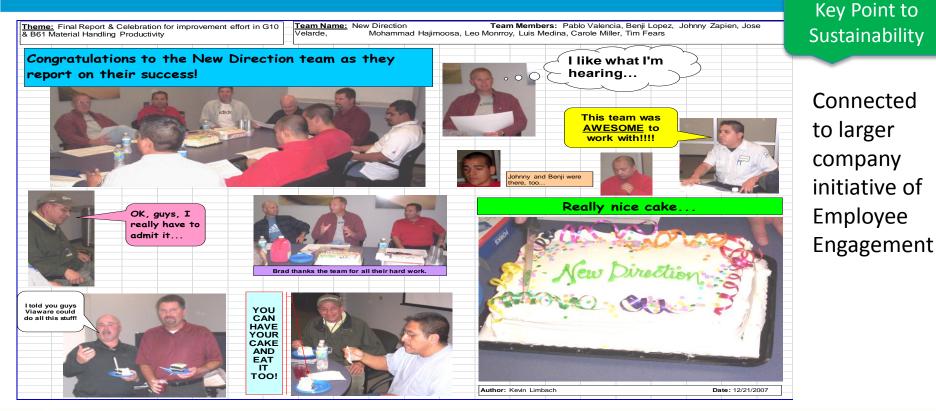
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How we got here: 2009-2011



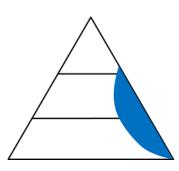


CEO attention

- Growing but not in line with profitability
- Results from lean effort
- Go big and wide



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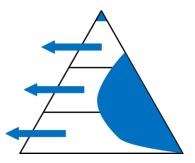


Strategy Deployment

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Grass roots

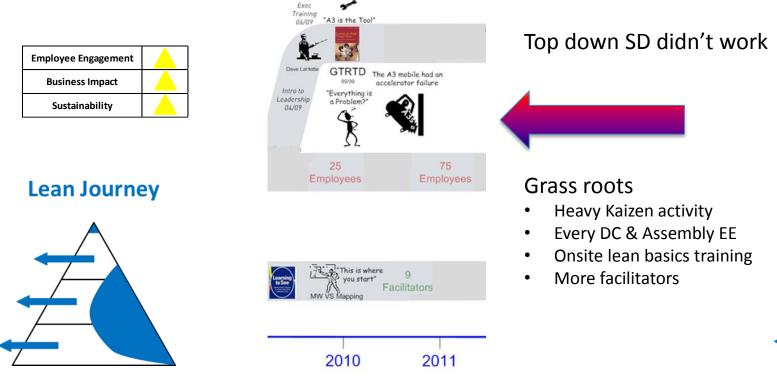
- Heavy Kaizen activity
- Mass lean basics training
- More facilitators





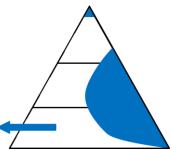
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How we got here: 2009-2011





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How we got here: 2012-2015



Keep going in Ops and be ready when the business comes back around



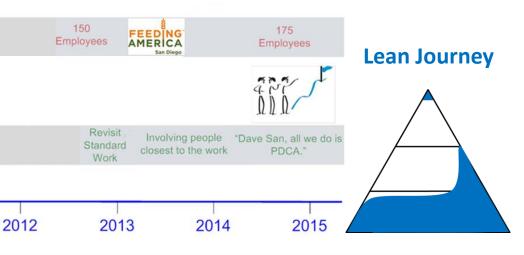
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Departmental Strategy **Deployment with CEO** catchball

Continued grass roots with lean basics training

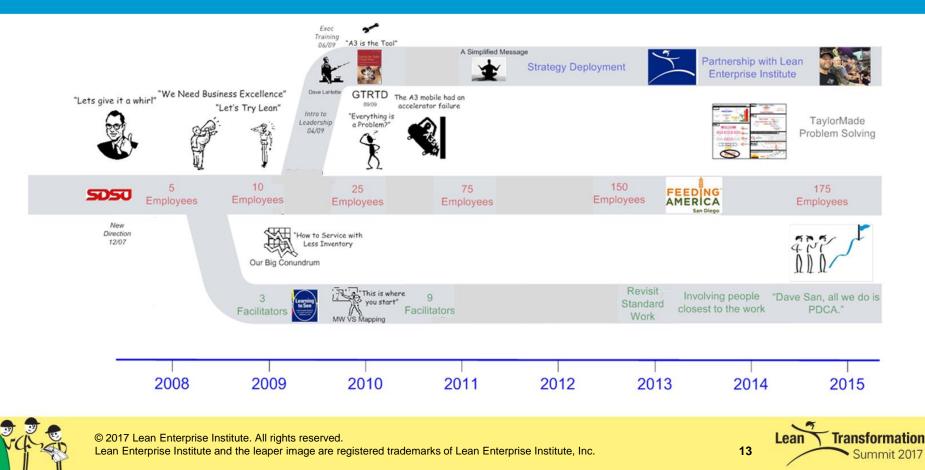




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How we got here: 2007-2017



TMPS Training Overview

LTF – How do we develop the capability?

Day 1 – Theory & made up examples

Day 2 – Guidance through real TaylorMade problems with data set

Next 2 months – Trainee 1-on-1 coaching. Result is completed A3 on local business problem







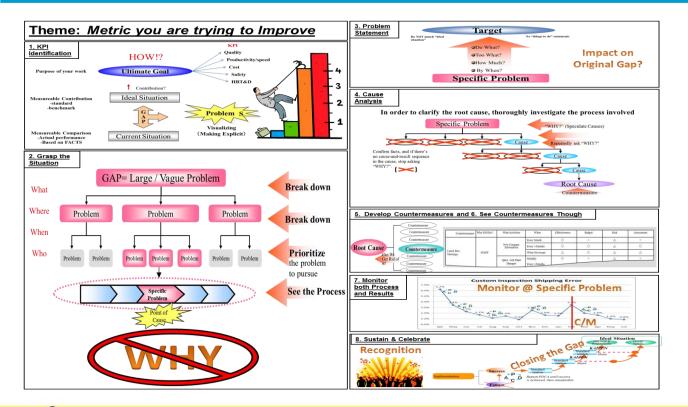
8 step problem solving A3 template

Theme: 1. KPI Identification	3. Problem Statement Image: Statement 4. Cause Analysis	LTF – What is our basic thinking?
2. Grasp the Situation	5. Develop Countermeasures and 6. See Countermeasures Though	
	Z. Monitor both Process and Results 8. Sustain & Celebrate	





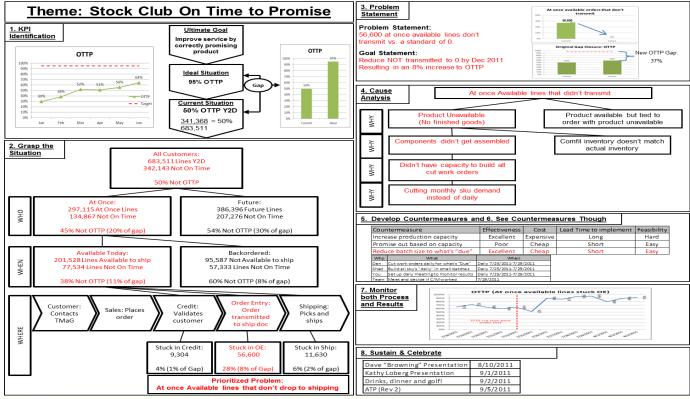
Day 1 – Theory & example



LTF – What problem are we trying to solve?



Day 2 – Real TaylorMade problem



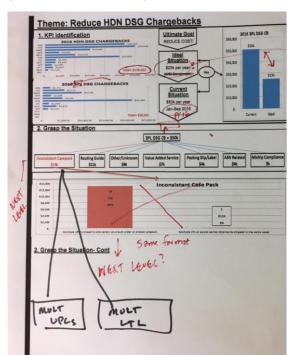


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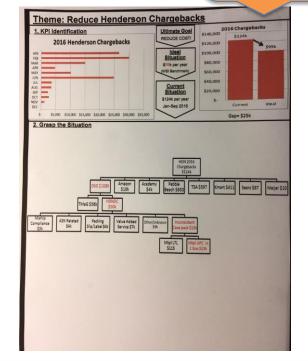
Follow up coaching

1st pass @ step 1



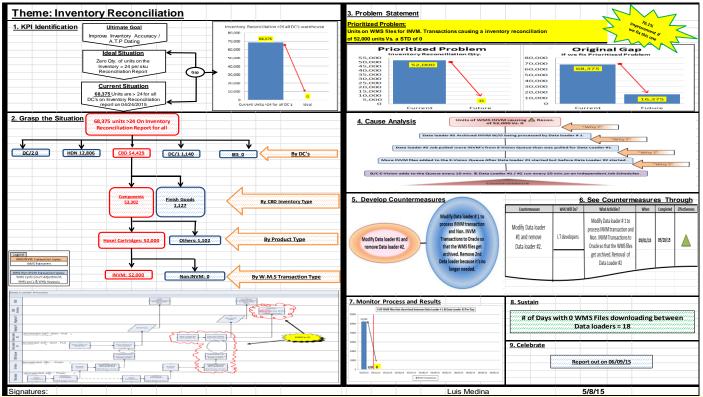


LTF – What management system & leader behaviors do we need?







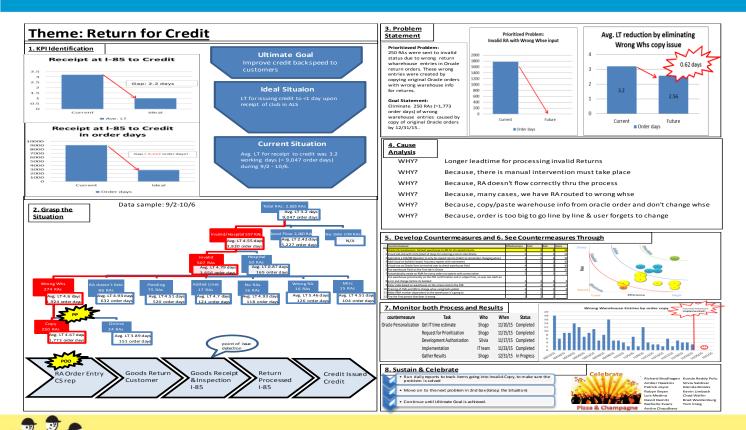


LTF – How do we do & improve the work?



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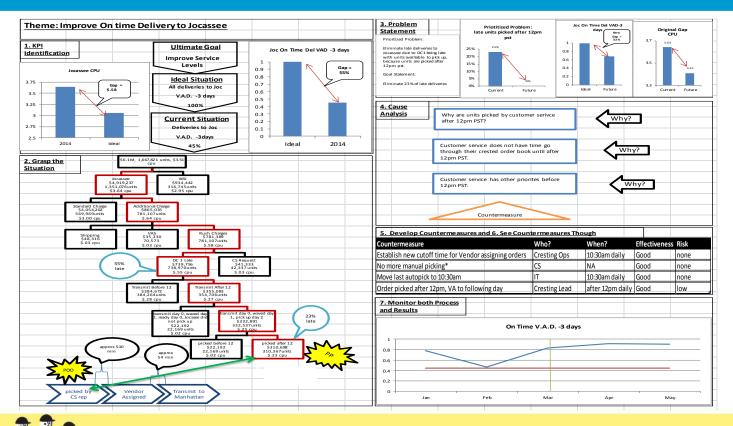


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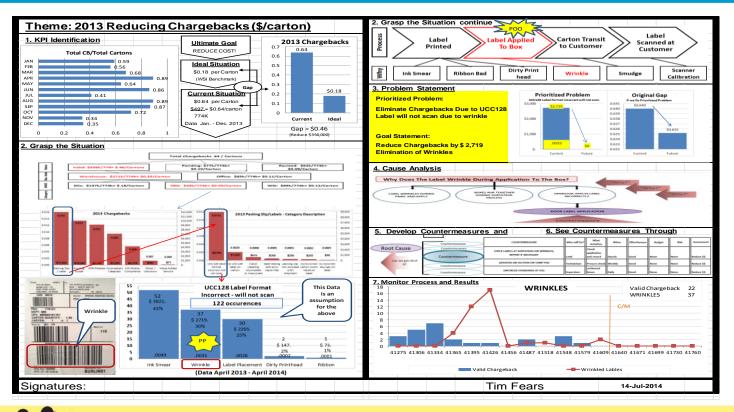
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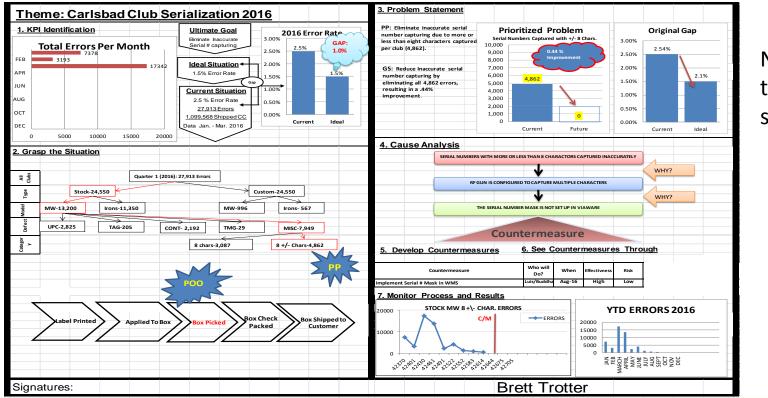
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Notice how they all look similar

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Cascading A3 – Summary

Key Point to Sustainability

Connecting Problem Solving A3s to Broader Company Goals

Content will be displayed during the presentation

Summary A3 is connected to high level Strategy Deployment goals





Learning applied



Connecting Problem Solving A3s to Broader Company Goals

Content will be displayed during the presentation

Connected to a larger company initiative





Trainee's perspective



Key Point to Sustainability

Coaching benefits:

- Daily progress
- Make the story flow better
- Keeps you from skipping steps and staying focused on one issue at a time
- Prioritized Problem at Point Of Occurrence (PP @ POO) needs to make sense
- Common language



Key Learnings for Sustainability

- Problem solving is hard to teach and learn
 - Difficult to accept that we won't close the whole gap in one pass
 - Very hard to focus on ONLY one root cause at a time
 - Getting to a Prioritized Problem at the Point Of Occurrence (PP @ POO)
 - Small improvement can be a show stopper for some people
 - Trainees will understand the thinking and use common language but most will not progress without coaching
 - 1-on-1 coaching proves essential to becoming independent problem solver





Key Learnings for Sustainability

- Every A3 tells a story and it has to flow
- Connect your problem solving efforts to a company wide initiative, for example Employee engagement or Operational excellence
- We discovered our efforts had to be consistent with company culture competitive, fun, & irreverent
- Don't try to spread lean simply by reading a book
- Insist on using standard A3 formatting and language that works for your company
- We've created people who focus on solving one problem at a time who are still working with people who want to use a shotgun approach





What you should do when you return to work...

- Identify someone in your organization who will gain a deep understanding of A3 problem solving <u>AND</u> be disciplined enough to stick to the process - because it <u>will</u> be hard!
- 2. Find at least one company-wide initiative you can connect to your problem solving efforts.
- 3. Start an A3 and learn as you go.

"It's easier to act your way into a new way of thinking, than think your way into a new way of acting."





Q & A



