

# Creating a Lean Culture in a Traditional Manufacturing Company

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# Agenda

- Savage Arms History
- Products, Customers, & Innovations
- Burning Platform (a call to action)
- Our Lean Journey (changing course)
- Continuous Improvement in Action
- Lessons Learned
- Next Steps



# Our History . . .





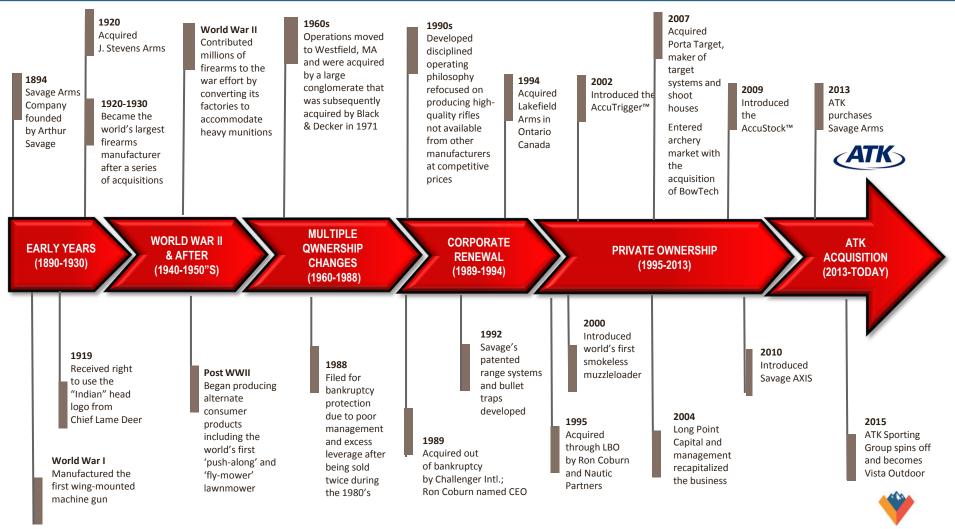
Arthur Savage

The Savage Arms Company was organized in 1894 by Arthur Savage in Utica, New York.

He developed the Savage Halpine torpedo, became the Superintendent of the Utica Belt Line Railroad, and invented the first "hammerless" lever action rifle.



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## THE SAVAGE STORY



OUTDOOL



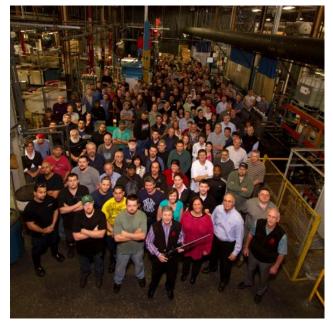
# Today . . .



### **Savage Arms**

Westfield, MA

Total Area: 23.3 acres 350,000 sq. ft. 326 employees





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BRINGING THE WORLD OUTSIDE.™

































































# Our Products . . . Model 10/110

### Introduced in 1958

### Over 1 Million Model 110's produced

- Action design has become the blueprint & standard for accuracy in firearms design throughout the industry
- Very strong & robust action: Able to handle high performance cartridges such as: .300 WM & .338 Lapua
- Very versatile design with 100's of configurations





# Savage

#1 Centerfire rifle manufacturer



#1 Bolt action rimfire rifle manufacturer

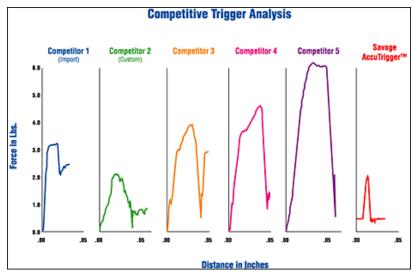




# **Innovative Design**

### THE NEW INDUSTRY STANDARD: Savage ACCUTRIGGER

- User Adjustable trigger: (6oz 6 lbs depending on model)
- No paying gunsmith to get a "trigger job" or purchasing an aftermarket trigger \$\$\$
- Very crisp with no creep
- Extremely Safe











# **Innovative Design**



## A17 Autoloader – 17 HMR





## Our Customers . . .















# "Out of the box accuracy"

### **Team Savage**

**Darrell Buell** 

Damascus, OR

John Weil

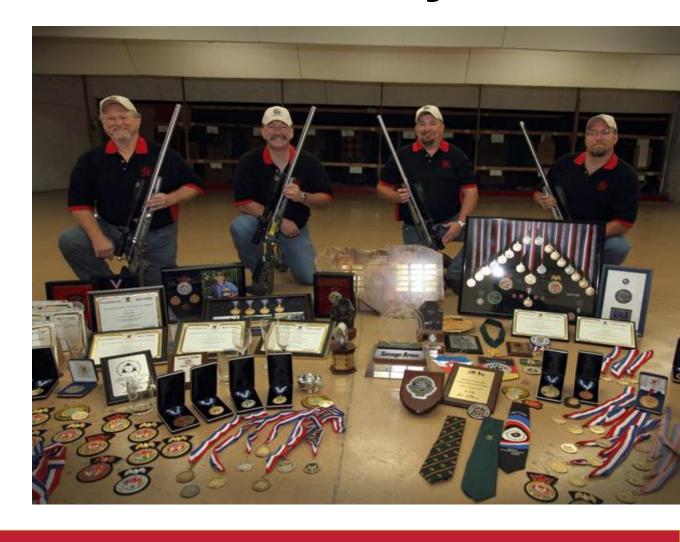
Welches, OR

Monte Milanuk

Wenatchee, WA

Stan Pate

Milwaukie, OR





# Before Lean: Batch & Queue Culture

### **Our Burning Platform**

Double digit defect rate

Long lead time to the customer Months

Large batch sizes

Multiple non-connected processes
 16 Days WIP

Unreliable equipment/breakdowns
 No TPM

Command and control management style

Could not keep up with Sales at 550 Guns/Day

Dirty and Cluttered Production Environment

BUT VERY SUCCESSFUL !!!







Journey Begins
MassMEP Partnership
Lean 101 Training
Continuous Flow Layout



#### **Kaizen Events**

Receiver Department 5S TPM, POUS, Pull Systems Setup Reduction



**Leadership Changes** 

New V.P. of Operations Lean Culture Traction Lean 101 Training



2004

2005

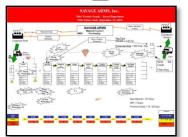
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### **Value Stream Mapping**

Receiver Department Barrel Department Assembly Department



### **Pull Systems**

2 Bin System Balanced Flowline Lot Size Reduction Supplier Pull System



2006

### **5S Initiative**

Employee Teams VSM Events Lead Time Reductions



# Our Lean Journey Begins . . .



# **Our 3 Main Value Streams**

Barrels Receivers Assembly









# **Creating a Lean Culture**

- TOTAL SUPPORT from Top Management
- A Full Time Lean Expert at the top management level
- Formal Top Level G&O's / Use the Lean Platform to drive the G&O's
- Managers with Lean knowledge to manage the process
- Formal process of conducting Kaizen
- An adequate training room
- A need or crisis to change the culture



# Lean tools available to Change the Culture

- Use the tools in your Lean Toolbox where needed
- Value Stream Mapping
- Start with quick wins like 6S
- Utilize TPM where the need to maintain equipment is crucial
- Use standard work as a compliment to 6S
- Train the Trainers



# Lean tools available to Change the Culture

- Train everyone and keep the training going
- Celebrate all events
- Do not use excuses not to improve (month end, too busy, etc.)
- Try not to remove an employee from a Kaizen due to a production need
- Make the Kaizen no more than 5 days



## Westfield Operations



Al Kasper President/COO



Jack Anderson C.I. Leader



Mike Greene Director of Machining Ops.



Chris Bezzina
Director of Operations



Vince Carbone V. P. of Operations



Bob Browning Director of Supply Chain



Roy Provost Director of Assembly Ops.



Rick Bonci Director of Quality



# FY2015 Operations Goals and Objectives

- 2400 Guns/Day (in a 5 day work week)
- Cost Reduction \$1MM through Continuous Improvement
- New Product Introduction Meet all project milestones, cost targets and product introduction dates
- Quality / Rework Improvement
- Inventory Reductions
- Equipment and Process Enhancements (TPM, Standard Work)
- Factory Layout
- Training Programs



## **FY 2015 Goals and Objectives**

- •Execute the Quality Management System (QA, ENG, MFG) Barrel, Receiver, Assembly and Finishing Cells
- •Execute the Quality Management System SPP (QA, SCM, ENG) Top Ten Vendors
- •Reduce range rejects to less than 3% for Axis and less than 5% for all other (QA, MFG, ENG)
- Negotiate a new 3 year labor contract (HR Director, VP Operations, CFO Accounting)
- •Improve communications within Salaried ranks (HR and Staff)
- •Ensure complete compliance with OSHA regulations (HR, ENG, MFG)
- •Lean Engineering to lead one Kaizen per month, Manufacturing to lead one Kaizen per month, Maintenance to lead one TPM per month (will depend on resources available). Service and Accounting/MIS one per quarter
- Cost reduction \$1.0 M (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG)
- •New Products Hit production date, cost target and improve overall process (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG)
- •Production run rate at 1800 guns per day to 2400 guns per year by year end in a five day work schedule (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG)
- Standard Work ("Best Way") (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) Implement simultaneously in the Assembly, Finishing Department Processes and in Machining
- •Training Create Job Breakdown Sheets and Training Timetables for Swing, Proof, Finishing, Ejector, Roll Stamp, Scope Mount, Build & Stock, Function, and Oil/Tag/Serialization Processes
- •Employee Engagement (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) Increase Employee Kaizen Participation (involve 2nd, and 3rd shift personnel) Employees involved in improving their processes, employ daily team huddles
- Enhance communication, awareness, and teamwork between employees
- •Maintenance Excellence (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) TPM Events (identify critical equipment and schedule events accordingly) Improve machine safety, uptime, and create a renewed focus on energy conservation
- •Problem Solving (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) Utilize PDCA, and A3 Reports (data driven tool used as a plant wide problem solving tool)
- **Continuous Flow** (Assembly Department) **(MFG, SCM, QA, ENG)** Implement A Mag Rimfire Continuous Flowline (based on Axis Flowline) Create an Ejector/Roll Stamp/Scope Mount Cell
- Value Stream Mapping (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) Involve and train horizontal value stream process owners in VSM techniques Utilize department VSM's(Current & Future) to identify continuous improvements opportunities
- Visual Management/KPI's (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) Identify and track critical KPI's to monitor in all departments (ex. Safety, Quality, Cost, Delivery, Training, 6S, Scrap)
- Plant Layout (MFG, SCM, QA, ENG) Implement 2013/2014 plant layout relocations in support of the approved 2015 Master Plan







- LEAN TOOLBOX
  - Pull Systems
  - Standard Work
  - SMED
  - TPM
  - 8 Wastes
  - Gemba Walks
  - Visual Controls
  - Takt Time
  - OEE
  - LSW
  - KAIZEN

- Value Stream Mapping
- 6S
- Heijunka (level loading)
- PDCA
- 5 Whys
- Poka Yoke (mistake proofing)
- Cellular Flow (one-piece flow)
- Process Improvement
- FIFO (first in first out)
- VA / NVA Work
- Problem Solving



### **2015 Lean/Continuous Improvement Focus**

Maintenance TPM / PM

**TPM Events – Machining Departments Maintenance Excellence Initiative** 

**Employee Training / Employee Engagement** 

**Standard Work** 

**Job Instruction** 

**Problem Solving** 

Kaizen / Blitzes

Quality / QMS

**Defect Reduction** 

**Process Audits** 

**Gaging / Calibration** 

**Process Improvements / Continuous Improvement** 

**Assembly Department** 

**Machining Departments** 

**Value Stream Mapping** 

**Visual Factory** 

**KPI's / 6S Initiative** 

**Visual Standards / Communication Displays** 



**New Product Introductions** 





## **Lean Drivers**



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Train The Trainer
Westfield & Lakefield
5S Training with
MassMEP Facilitator
Lean 101 Training
Fluting SMED Kaizen



#### **Process Improvement**

Packing Process Shot Blast Process Finance Processes Incoming Receiving



#### **TPM / Kaizen Events**

TPM Training Range Improvements Office Kaizen Standard Work













**Value Stream Mapping** 

Barrel Department Receiver Department Assembly Department Order Entry Process Plant Layout Changes



### **Kaizen Events**

Proof & Function Barrel Bore Finish Customer Service RTV Process Swing Rework

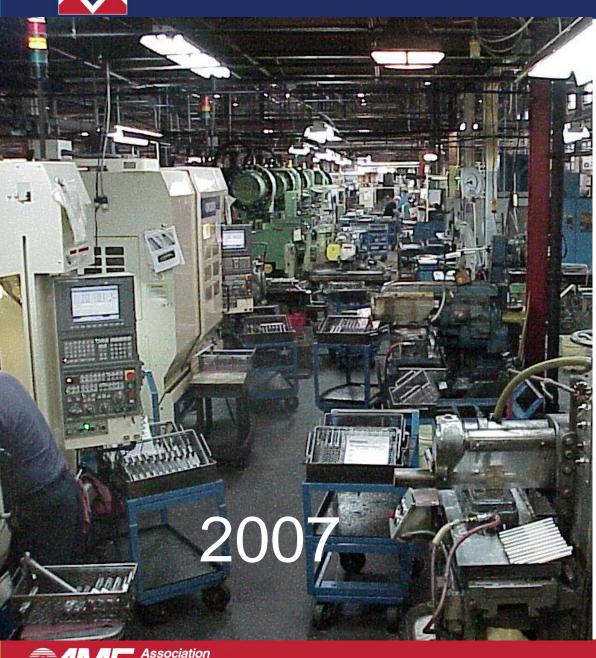


### 6S/Standard Work

Standard Work Videos Employee Engagement Continuous Flow Focus Lean Training Grant



# Our Lean Journey Restart . . .



# **Batching**

The Old Receiver Manufacturing processes that consisted of:

**Ten Cells** 

Mill Line 1

Mill Line 2

Trigger slot

Auto Drill

Mill Line 3

Safety Slot

Mill Line 4

Hand File

Wash

**Threading** 

**Twenty four Machines** 









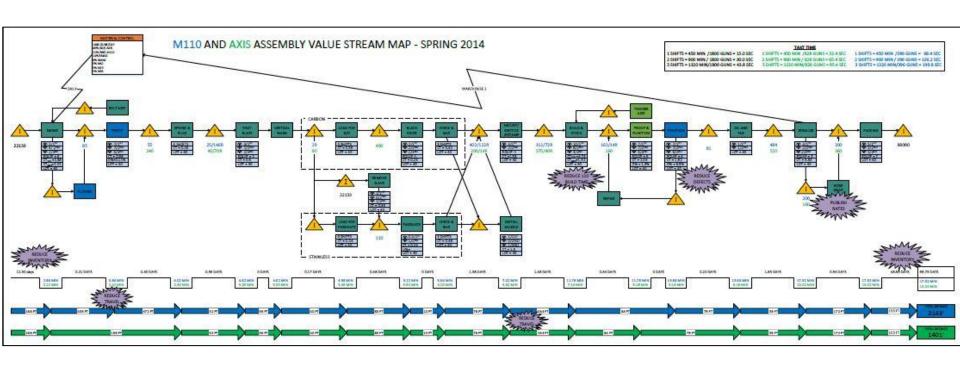


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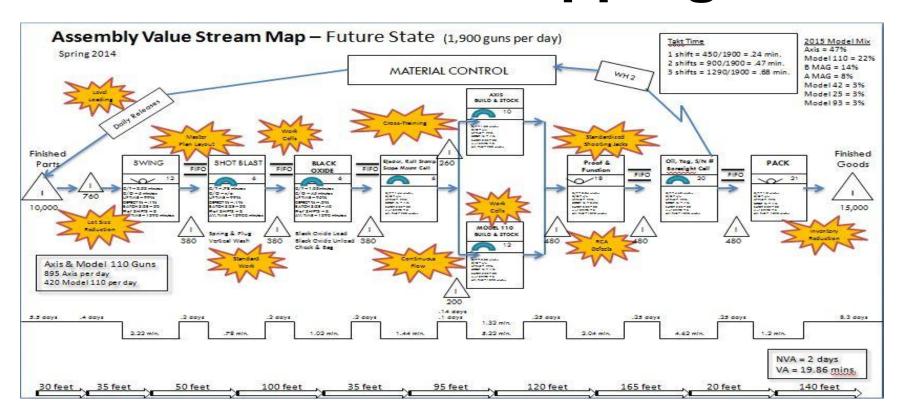
# Value Stream Mapping



Value Stream Mapping – Current State



# Value Stream Mapping



Value Stream Mapping – Future State



# Value Stream Mapping

Suggested Kaizen	Benefit	Sponsor	Team Leader	Start Date
Gun Drill TPM	Improve Uptime, Avoid Delays, Increase Capacity	Mike Greene	Keith Albee / Jack Anderson	April
Gun Drill SMED Set Up Reduction	Improve Uptime, Avoid Delays, Increase Capacity	Mike Greene	Ron Vishaway	April
Scrap / Rework Reporting System	Performance Metric, Process Contraction, Improvement Opportunities	r ck funci	Mike Greene	April
Wash / Polish / Oil & Bag Cell	Reduce Distance Traveled Awid Parts Transporta on Y Trave Was	Mik Gibbs	Dean Peatman	June
Gun Drill Tooling	Im, ave ptime, voice alays Increa capacit	Mike Greene	Frank Darcy	May
TWI Job Instruction Training Cross Training	Employ Do alcoment, Workforce Flexibility, Job Satisfaction	Vince Carbone	Jack Anderson	July
Cut Off Supermarket	Overproduction, Reduce WIP	Mike Greene	Wayne Kratochvil / Mike Greene	March
Turning & Chambering 6S Kaizen Events	Organize work areas for greater flow and less wastes	Mike Greene	Patrick Kenney	May

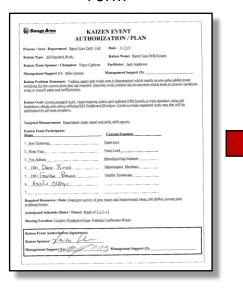
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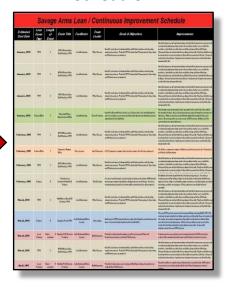


# **Our Improvement Process**

Kaizen Authorization Form



Continuous Improvement Schedule



Kaizen Event



C. I. Improvement Flowmap



## **Kaizen Events**

## **Continuous Improvement – Employee Driven**

















## **Kaizen Events**

### **Continuous Improvement – Employee Driven**



























# Kaizen Agenda



Kaizen Lean Training **Observe & Document Current Process** 



**Identify Problems & Barriers Brainstorm Improvement Ideas** 

Day Three Develop Action Plans **Implement Action Plans** 

Day Four

**Continue Improvements Document & Train to New Standard Work** 

**Day Five** 

**Kaizen Presentation** 



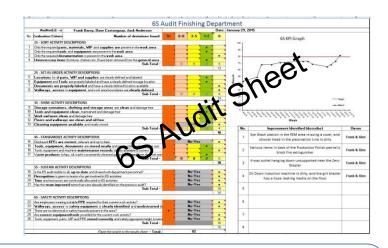


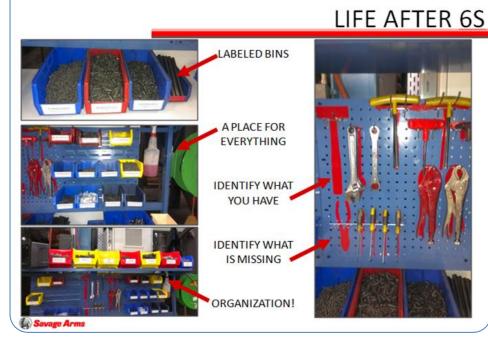
# **6S**



LIFE BEFORE 6S

## Workplace Organization





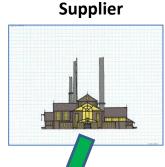


# **Pull Systems**











A basic pull replenishment system starts with the demand for parts or material. With the need for replenishment, a SIGNAL is sent back to Purchasing to supply more parts or material.

Kanban Card



# **TPM** (Total Productive Maintenance)

**TPM** requires the involvement of all people in the organization.

Maintenance

**Operators** 

Management

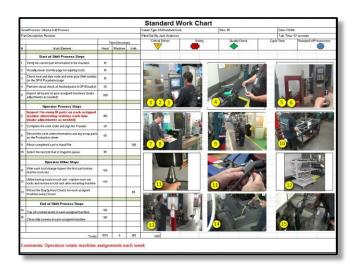






### **Standard Work**

Involve the people that do the work and help develop the "Best Way" to do the process as you know it today, then keep improving it.



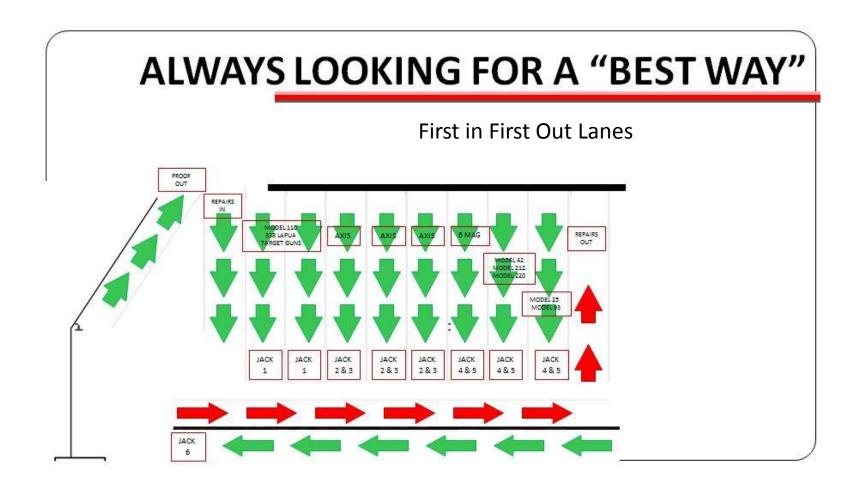
Standard Work Chart



Standard Work Video



### **Continuous Flow**





### **Visual Factory**



#### **VISUAL FACTORY**

(13) digital signage stations

KPI's
Company Information
Safety Alerts
Kaizen Events
New Product Releases
Employee Profiles
Health & Wellness



### 2-Year Training Grant

2013/2015 - 8 modules

Lean 101 400 employees Value Stream Mapping 33 employees Standardized Work 33 employees Lean Expert Certification 30 employees **Champion Training** 16 employees Inspector Technician Certification – 24 employees Supervisory Skills 25 employees Lean Supply Chain Certification 13 employees









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### **Employee Training**

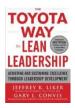




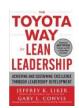








### **Lean Champions**





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### **Lean Experts**



Jack Anderson C.I. Leader



Frank Darcy Manufacturing Supervisor



Jessica Henry Staff Accountant



Israel Maldonado Group Leader - Barrels



James Vassallo Builder/Shooter



Ron Vishaway Manufacturing Supervisor



Wayne Kratochvil Components Planner



Ben Lewis Quality Engineer



Sandy Molloy Group Leader – Sub-Assembly



Don Skelly Materials Manager



Kristin Olbrys MRO Buyer



Craig Priest CNC Operator



Kate Gihon C.I. Specialist



Christian Savaria Quality Inspector



Hector Torres Material Coordinator



Maryanne Gignac Customer Service



Vitaliy Blishchik Group Leader - Receivers



Joslin Hawley Group Leader - Receivers



Reid Lavallee Manufacturing Supervisor



Eric Berrios Group Leader - Barrels

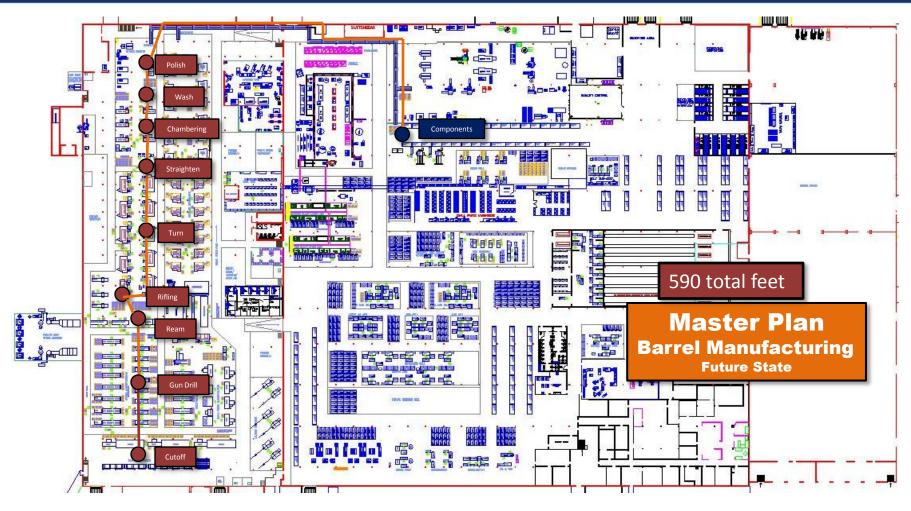






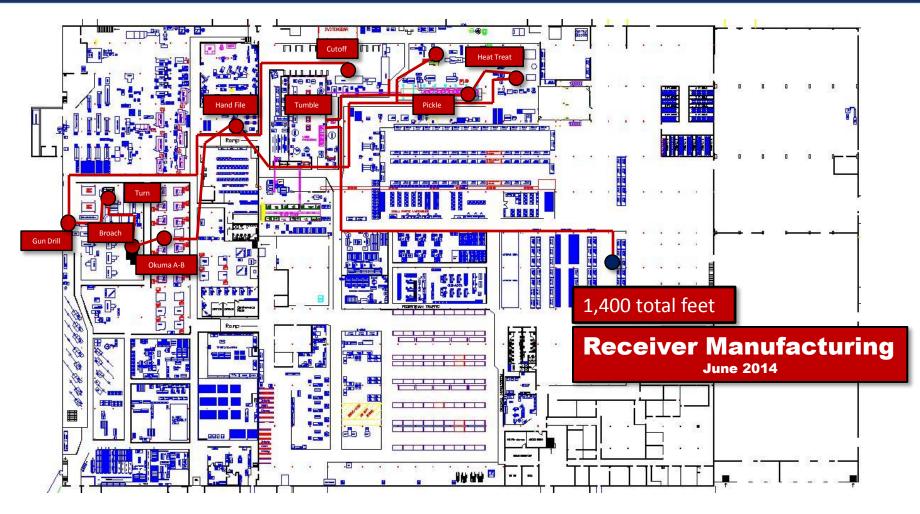






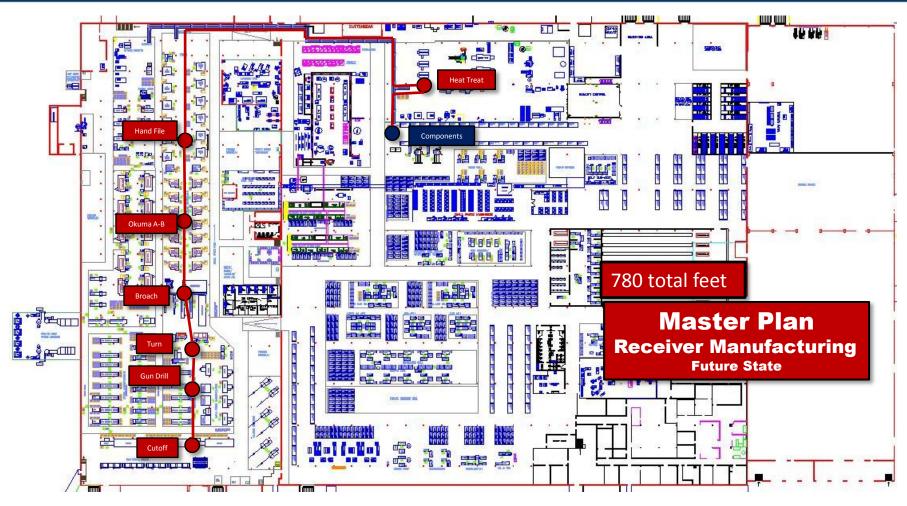






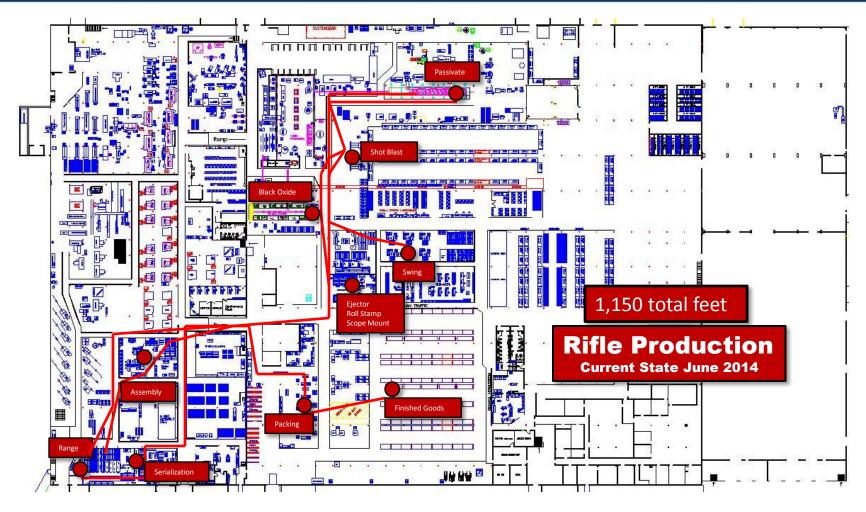






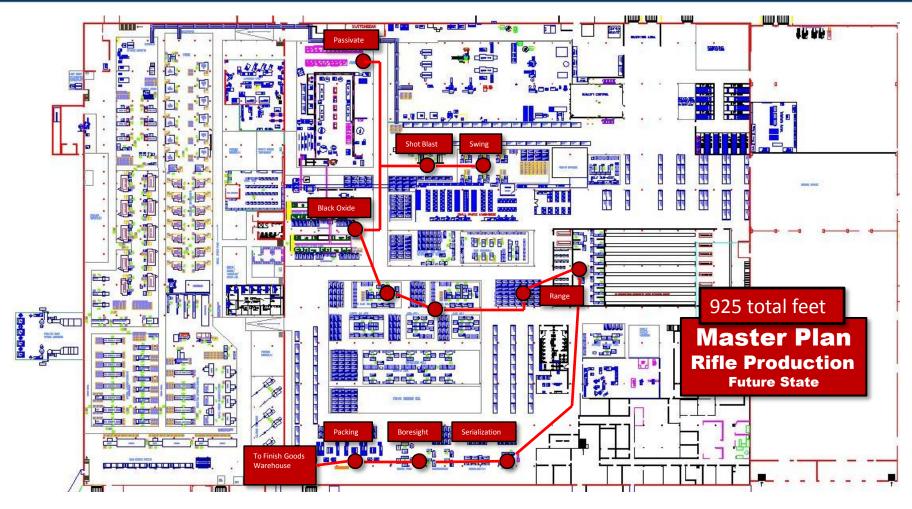








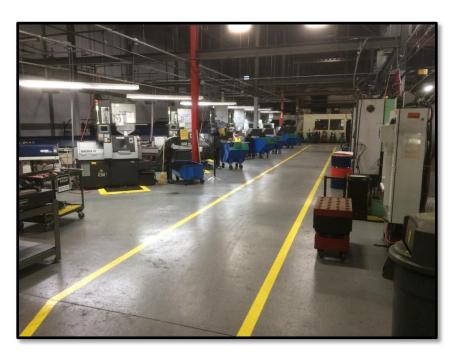






### **Factory of the Future**

#### New Manufacturing Plant Layout Summer 2014

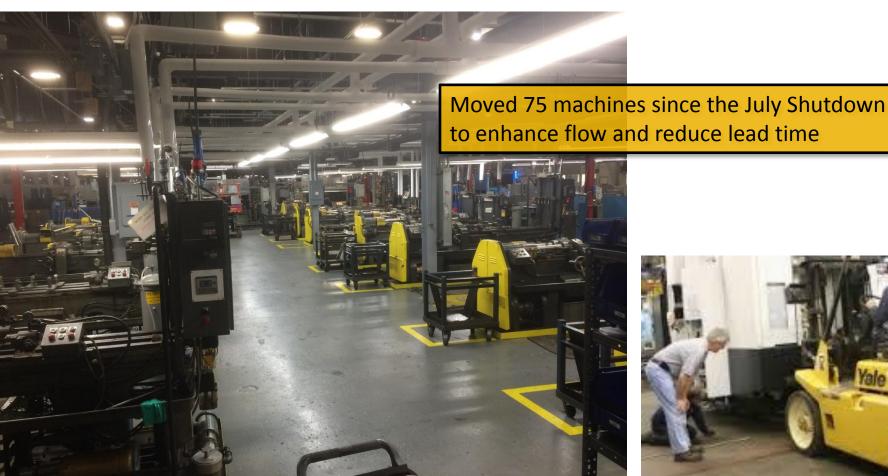




"Creating a clean, safe, and productive work environment"



### **Factory of the Future**

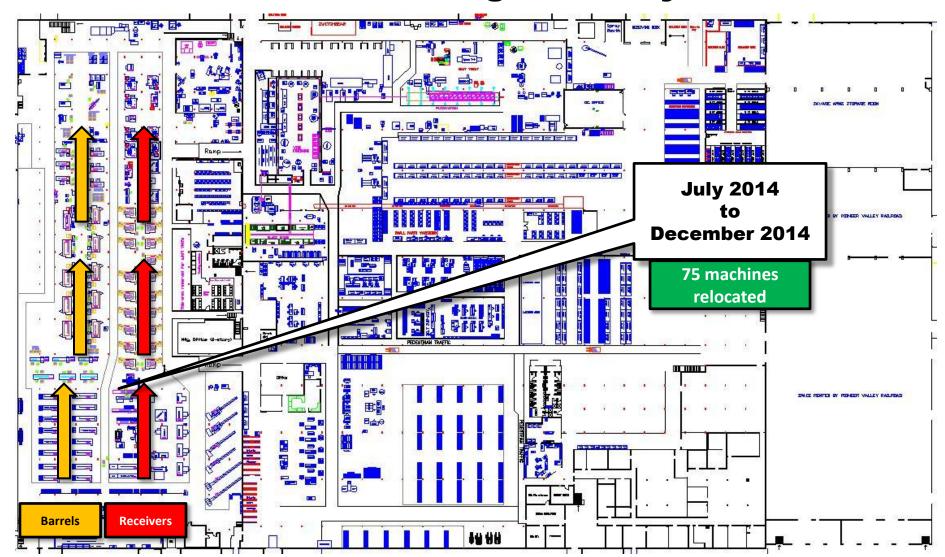








#### **New Manufacturing Plant Layout**





### **Next Steps**

**Upcoming Employee Training** 

April 2015

Team Involvement Problem Solving (TIPS)

Leader Effectiveness Training (L.E.T)







HOW ARE WE GOING TO CONTINUE TO DO IT?

# EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT

#### **Great People Make Savage!**

- •#1 Rifle Sales
- High Quality Product
- Industry Leading Innovation
- •Tremendous Value





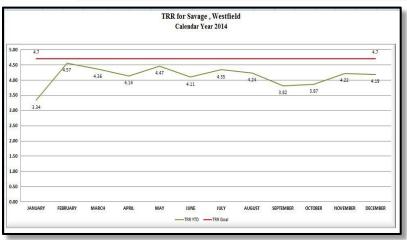
# Safety (SQDEC)

### Lean Safety Gemba Walks



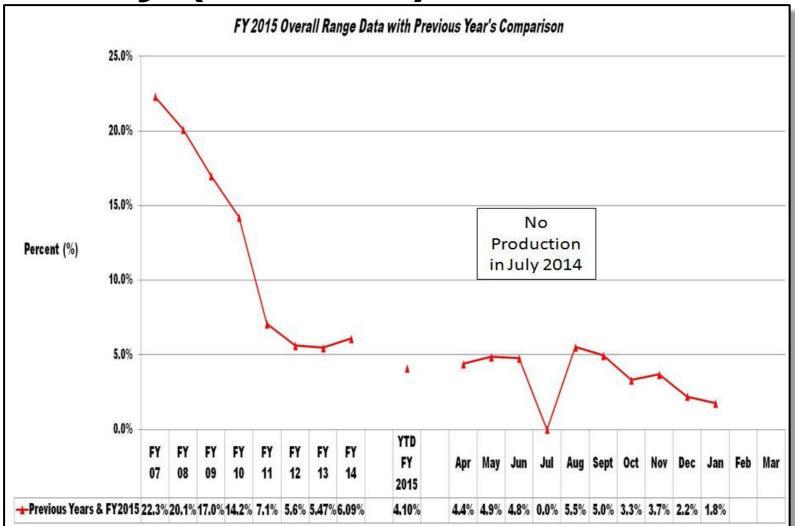
#### **Focus on Safety**





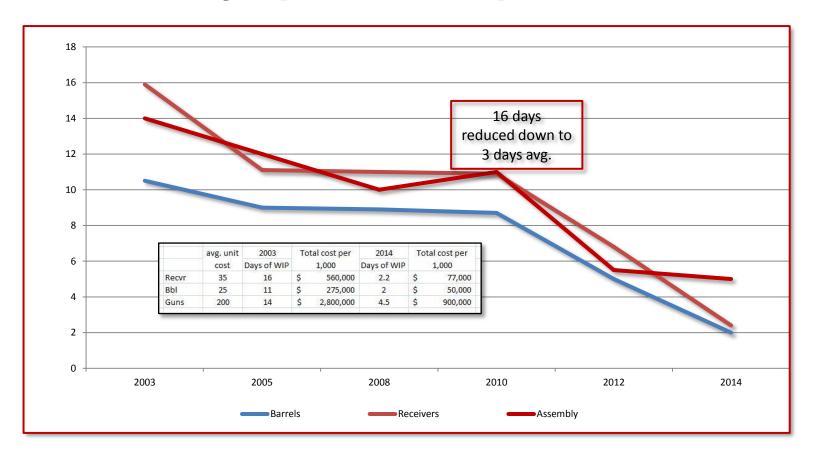


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### Delivery (SQDEC)

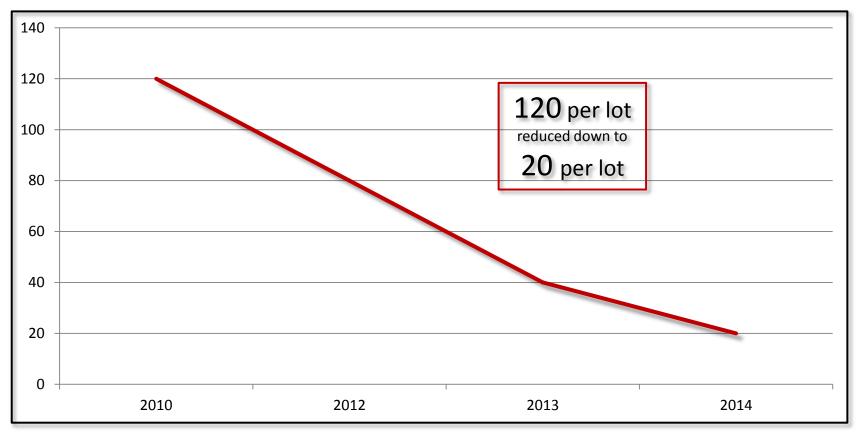


Lead Time Reduction (days of WIP)





# Delivery (SQDEC)

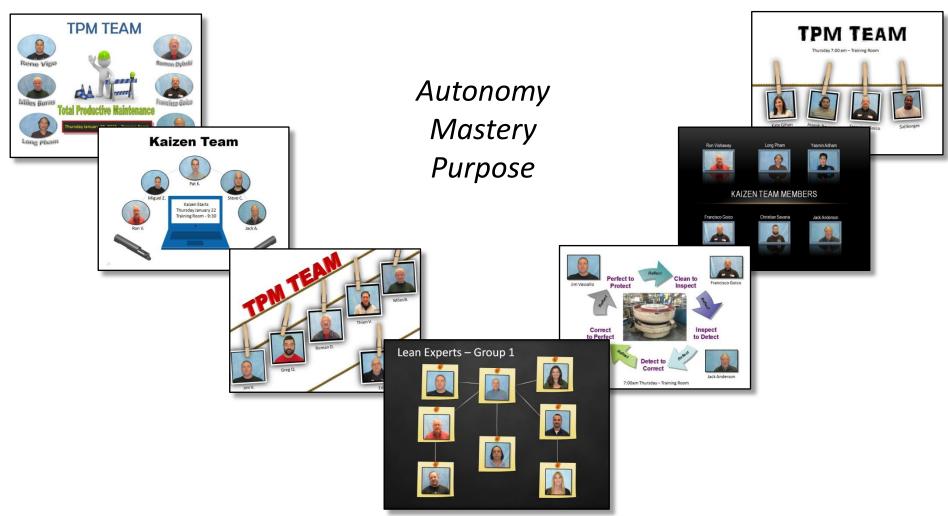


**Barrel Lot Size Reduction** 





# **Employee Engagement (SQDEC)**





# Cost (SQDEC)

#### **Lean Cost Saving Program Annualized**

2008 Total \$1,054,634

2009 Total \$2,461,439

2010 Total \$ 897,961

2011 Total \$1,078,761

2012 Total \$1,285,330

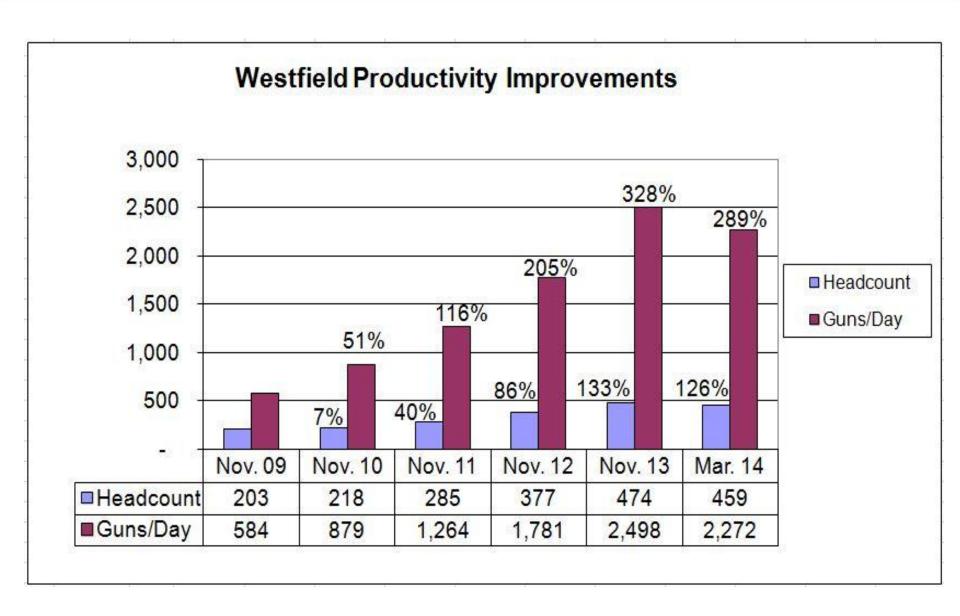
2013 Total \$ 230,822 (4 months switched to ATK fiscal year)

2014 Total \$2,270,850

2015 Total \$1,019,387

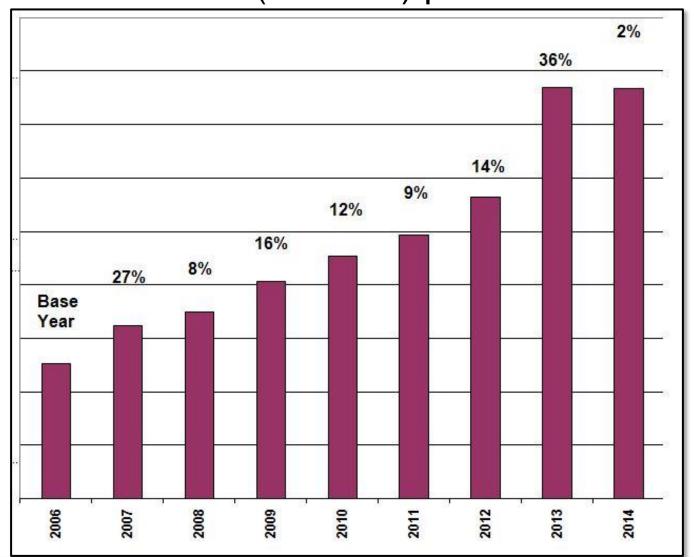
Eight Year Total \$10,299,184







#### Value Added (EBITDA) per Associate





### **Lessons Learned**

- Top Management needs to be totally committed
- Easy to fall back to old habits "sustain the gains"

- Use Value Stream Mapping to chart the course
- Provide Lean training for all associates
- Create Lean Experts and Champions



### **Lessons Learned**

- Select the right Lean tool for the right application
- Involve and show Respect for People

- Utilize Standard Work and keep on improving
- Go and See the process Gemba Walks



### **Thank You!**

A link to the full conference survey will be emailed to you Tuesday afternoon.

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