Thanks to Greg for the long, thoughtful note last week. He’s given me the chance to enjoy the Academic Forum, the first day of which completed today. **Tariq Abdelhamid** was smart, gracious and informed as we worked with about 50 people—most practitioners in charge of moving their lean design or construction practices forward in their companies—on simulations. It was as large a crowd as I think we’ve had at an academic forum and very interested, participatory and keen for learning. That makes this job a real joy.

The Northern California Community of Practice has been shooting videos of presentations at their meetings for a long time. Core group leader **Jessica Kelley** (of *Southland Industries*) asked that we let you know of some of the offerings available from their bin. We currently have 23 videos on the Nor Cal CoP page of which 22 are available to ALL (the other will become soon as we protect member rights only for 90 days now). The subject matter and speakers are as follows:

- The 9th Type of Waste: Untapped Potential How to Turn Valuable Information into Real Value  
  - by Andreas Phelps

- Built in Quality—Getting Things Done Right...The First Time  
  - by Will Lichtig, Meeli Linnik and Klas Berghede, The Boldt Company

- Production Planning - Moving Beyond The Last Planner System  
  - by Klas Berghede and Dan Murphy, The Boldt Company

- Lean Transformation in Small Project Delivery  
  - by James Pease, Sutter Health Brett Paloutzian and Yumio Chon, BFHL Arch, Mike Galvez and Doug Dunnebier, Pankow Builders and Ranee Duvall, Young Electric

- California Lottery Building IPD  
  - by Carl Barrett, John F. Otto, Curtis Owang, LPAS and Wally Browe, CPM

- Lean Design, Lean Construction and IFC/BIM in Norwegian AEC Industry  
  - Norwegian Guest Panel

- A Mini-Workshop on Choosing By Advantages  
  - by Ron Migliori and Larry Summerfield, BBSE and Arun Kaiwar, Stantec
• Small Project Lean Implementation – A Case Study  
  o by Kevin Ng and Alan Laurlund, XL Construction

• Architectural Lean Promulgation-Transforming Firm Culture through Apparent Value  
  o by Romano Nickerson, Boulder Associates Architects

• What it’s Like to Build the World’s Most Accurately & Exhaustively Modeled Hospital  
  o by Digby Christian, Sutter Health, Steve Wherry, Sr. Morrow-Meadows, Doup Machado, J.W. McClanahan, Dave Nelson, Superior Air Handling and Mark Watt, Ben Willis and Mike Pearson, DPR.

• Practical Approach to Lean in Construction: Not just Another Fire Drill  
  o by Mick Hardcastle and Bruce Metz RLH Fire Protection, Jackson Lloyd and Klas Berghede, The Boldt Company

• Cluster Group Expose! – A glimpse into the workings of the Structural Cluster on Sutter CPMC’s Van Ness Medical Building  
  o by Members of the Sutter CPMC Van Ness Project Team

• Lean for Small Projects –Sutter Roseville Diagnostic Imaging  
  o by Pamela Addy, Clay Federick, Sutter Health, Vince Clephane, Unger Construction, Chris Ellsworth, Commercial Design, Scott Paddon and Jennifer Reece, Boulder Associates Architects

• Continuous Improvement of Your Organization’s Performance Year after Year  
  o by Kim Barnas - Vice President, Hospital Operations for ThedaCare

• The Basics of Relational Contracting for Lean Projects  
  o by Dawn Balzarano, McDonough, Holland & Allen

• California Prison Receivership IPD Leaders Discuss Team Selections  
  o by Dan Runte, DPR, Andy Burdett, Hensel Phelps, Wayne Moloznik, Clark/McCarthy
• Creating Successful teams, from an Owners Perspective
  ○ by Bob Earl, Earl Consulting, Walley Browe, CPM, Ron Hughes, California Data Center Design Group, Tony Moddesette, Fremont Rideout Health Group, Steven Whitehead, Vanir

• Operations Design: The Hidden Opportunity
  ○ by Jeff Giuzio with the Seneca Group

• Value Stream Mapping for Process Improvement
  ○ by Lon Steinbeck, Roberto Arbulu, James Choo, PhD and Mark Keala of Strategic Project Solutions

• Sacramento Airport – A Successful Collaboration
  ○ by Joel Sloan and Gary Ralls, Turner Construction Co., Jake Doherty, Schuff Steel Co., John Harvey, Buehler & Buehler

• Transitioning IPD/LEAN Design Phase Culture into the Construction Phase
  ○ by George Hurley, DPR, Digby Christian, Sutter Health, James Pitre-Williams, Superior Air Handling

• Lean Organization and Leadership
  ○ by Bob DeKoch, The Boldt Company

We’ll be tracking popularity of these downloads in an effort to help the Nor Cal COP make decisions on whether to continue filming. These really are hidden treasures and I would urge to review titles of interest.

Next week we kick off the New York Community of Practice. I’m honored to work with the Gotham crew to bring lean back to New York. Thanks so much to the hard work of the LEAN New York Core Group, we should have a spectacular two day event.

Hope to see you at the AIA Wednesday or in New York next Wednesday.