

**Regional Event – London/Chatham, ON  
June 10/11, 2019**

**Four Points by Sheraton London  
1150 Wellington Rd., London, ON N6E 1M3**

**Monday, June 10, 2019**

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- 9:30 AM**      **Registration/Welcome Desk Open**  
At hotel
- 10:00**        **Opening Remarks and Keynote:**  
Speaker: Andrew Wall, [Sandler Training](#)  
**Topic: Financial State of the Union**  
This session delves into industry benchmarking and market intelligence gathering for the wood industry, what the numbers say, what kinds of market intel do we need and how that information can inform the industry to navigate challenges that lie ahead.
- 11:00 AM**      **Depart Plant Tour #1** (*Travel is by car or bus – takes 30 mins to drive*)
- 11:40AM**      **Lunch and Plant Tour –** [GCW Custom Kitchens & Cabinetry](#) (*95 South Edgeware Road, St. Thomas, ON N5P 4C4*)  
Lunch at GCW showroom  
More than 100 employees, 2 fabulous showrooms and 82,000 sq ft. of state of the art manufacturing space and you’ve got a tour of an incredible facility that has spent the last 20 years refining their processes to become an award winning kitchen cabinet manufacturer. Don’t miss this tour!
- 12:15 PM**      **Plant Tour – GCW Custom Kitchens & Cabinetry**
- 1:30 PM**        **Depart for Plant Tour #2** (*by bus*)
- 2:30 PM**        **Arrive** [Woody’s Premium Cabinetry](#) (*1 Firestone Road, Strathroy, ON N7G 4L9*)  
This is no ordinary shop tour. Woody’s houses state-of-the-art manufacturing has made a number of changes recently, following the practices of Lean Manufacturing. Want to know more about implementing lean into your shop? Come and see what Woody’s is doing and how you too can raise the bar on custom cabinetry.
- 4:15 PM**        **Depart Plant Tour** (*By bus*)
- 6:30 PM**        **CKCA Reception** at hotel

**7:00 PM**      **Dinner at hotel**

**8:00 PM**      **Speakers:** Brad Cairns ([Best Damn Doors](#)), Dan Fentie, Woody’s Manufacturing Ltd. Jon Bultje and Will Holsappel from Windmill Cabinet Shop co-present on **Lean**  
**Topic: Lean Manufacturing – Taking Principles into Practice**  
Lean is no longer a new concept, there’s a lot of information out there. But how do you implement? This session offers practical insight from two manufacturers who have implemented lean into their shops and are seeing the benefits. These two shops are also ones we are touring during this regional program - Woody’s Manufacturing and Windmill Cabinet Shop. Add in the energy of Brad Cairns, a Lean expert and you’ve got a great session that will inspire you to take the next step to increase productivity in your shop.

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**7:30 AM**      **Breakfast** at hotel

**Remarks from CKCA President Mike Slobodian, Decor Cabinets**

**8:30 AM**      **Departure for Plant Tour**

**10:00 AM**      **Arrive Truly Green Farms** (162 Bloomfield Road, Chatham 519-352-5844)

A “bio-secure” facility started in 2012 covering 67.5 acres of land. This food producing greenhouse is opposite GreenField Ethanol, which gives this greenhouse access to a waste stream of energy used to heat and power the greenhouse as well as CO2 used to supplement the plants. We are fortunate to be allowed to tour this restricted facility and see the incredible systems they have. While they are not manufacturing wood, they are manufacturing food and there is much to learn from their setups. We have obtained special permission to tour this incredible facility and it came highly recommended to us.

**12:30 PM**      **Lunch** at Windmill Cabinet Shop Showroom (50 Borrowman Drive, Chatham 866-719-4649)  
George, Jon, Will and the rest of the team look forward to hosting you for lunch before you tour their facility.

**1:30 PM**      **Plant tour Windmill Cabinet Shop**

Operating for over 40 years, this innovative company manufactures custom components in a wide range of style, finishes and colour combinations to insure the most personalized kitchen design. They have embraced Lean Manufacturing and are keen to show you what they have achieved on their “Lean journey”.

**3:30 PM**      **Depart back to London (approx. 1.5 hours return to London) can take some people straight to London airport (if your flight departs from there), others back to hotel.**

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