



Newsletter

April 2005

ASME Meeting/Tour

Topic: Green Island Sealy Mattress Plant – Lean Manufacturing in Practice

Host: Mr. David Bishop, Plant Manager

Date: Thursday, April 14th

Time: 6 PM

Place: Sealy Mattress
30 Veterans Memorial Dr
Green Island, NY 12183
518-459-1651

To reserve your spot, contact Fred Willett at 347-2130 X5306 (no prompt) or willettf1@asme.org by April 12th

Sealy Green Island Plant Tour

Sealy Inc. officially opened its new manufacturing plant and distribution center in Green Island in 2004.

The company employs approximately 400 people at the 257,000-square-foot plant. It is the company's largest production facility and services more than 500 retailers in the greater New England area spanning from New York to Maine. The facility will produce more beds than any of its other 17 domestic plants, according to Sealy.

Sealy has incorporated lean manufacturing principles into the plant's design and operation. During the tour, we'll hear not only about the basics of mattress manufacture, but also about how application of lean manufacturing principles has made this effort a success.

After the Tour

Those interested in a light meal and tasty beverage after the tour are invited to meet at Brown's Brewing Company, 425 River Street, Troy. When reserving your spot, please indicate whether you're interested in a post-tour meal.

Directions:

From the West: Take I-90E to 787N (Troy/Cohoes). After approximately 5 miles, the Interstate turns into a state highway. At first light, turn right onto Tibbetts. At first light turn left onto Cohoes. Follow to Veterans Memorial Dr. (Turn right). Sealy is on the left.

From the North: Take I-87S to Exit 7, (Route 7E, Troy). After approximately 2.5 miles, take the exit for 787N, Cohoes. At first light, turn right onto Tibbetts. At first light turn left onto Cohoes. Follow to Veterans Memorial Dr. (Turn right). Sealy is on the left.

From the South and East: Take I-90 to either 787N or I-87N. Follow directions as for North or West above.

Executive Committee Nominations

Election of officers will be in May. Nominations are sought for a number of executive committee positions. While there's no pay, the positions offer the chance to make contacts and gain managerial experience outside of the workplace.

Contact Fred Willett for further information.

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