



Meeting Notice

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MONTHLY MEETING: SEPTEMBER 21, 2000



• *Tour - Walker Corporation*

Location: Walker Corp., 1555 Vintage Ave., Ontario, CA 91761
Phone: 909-390-4300

TOUR STARTS AT 6:00 PM.

Dave Walker was a tool and die maker when he followed his dream in 1954; he borrowed \$500, rented a garage and bought a couple of presses. From these humble beginnings almost half a century, Walker Corporation has set the standard in precision metalforming. A comprehensive, full service manufacturing organization, Walker has become an industry leader by focusing on one mission - to provide outstanding value in precision metalforming for total customer satisfaction.

In addition, Walker has conducted monthly awards ceremonies for more than 15 years.

Walker's 108,000 square foot facility is a clean and modern manufacturing complex that produces a full range of metal formed products. The organization's dedication to quality has created the foundation for their continued growth and success. From design to finished product, Walker's quality systems are an integral part of their commitment to excellence. Walker has embraced a concurrent engineering philosophy to assist customers in determining the best and most cost efficient processes. To guarantee the highest quality and complete reliability of each part, Walker performs a Failure Mode Effect Analysis and Capability Studies on each new project.

Our host, **John Armstrong**, is the Manufacturing Manager at Walker Corporation. He was first exposed to "lean manufacturing" concepts while improving the effectiveness of large commercial rooftop air conditioning production lines at United Technologies - Carrier Corporation, where the application of these concepts resulted in a redesign of the factory layout and process. John's primary mission at Walker is to convert Walker's Ontario facility to a "Showcase" user of the Toyota Production System (TPS).

Walker has also embraced Lean Manufacturing. Value-added operations are a growing part of Walker's sales, and, to see their technicians install fasteners using a Poka-Yoke sensor device to insure 100% quality assembly is not uncommon. Walker Corporation has been systematically implementing the Toyota Production System throughout the operation, and they are planning on showing us how they change a complex progressive die in less than seven minutes (SMED in action)! To ride the wave of opportunity, the company budgets ten percent of sales annually for associate education and skills development.

You don't want to miss this tour. Make reservations early. Number on the tour is limited.

Walker Corporation
1555 Vintage Ave., Ontario, CA 91761
909-390-4300

Directions:

From 60: 15 (N) -> Jurupa (E) -> Vintage (R)
From 10: 15 (S) -> Jurupa (E) -> Vintage (R)

MONTHLY MEETING RESERVATIONS

Reservations	\$5.00
At the Door, No Reservation	\$7.00
Full Time students w/valid ID	\$5.00

MAKE RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN
SEPTEMBER 18, 2000

SPELL YOUR NAME AND LEAVE YOUR PHONE NUMBER. IF YOU FIND YOU CANNOT ATTEND, CALL TO CANCEL YOUR RESERVATION. NO SHOWS MAY BE BILLED.

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COMING EVENTS 2000

MONTHLY SECTION MEETINGS

- Sep 21 Plant Tour - Walker Corporation, Ontario
- Oct 24 National Quality Month, All day conference at AQMD facility
- Nov 16 Plant Tour - KippGroup / Porex (winner of CA Best of Class Award), Ontario

Note: Topics and Speakers are subject to change

COURSES / CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

National Quality Month - All day conference at AQMD facility in Diamond Bar