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Give the Gift of LEAN



Lean is the gift that keeps on giving, hence continuous improvement. Lean is a lifestyle...if you have realized the benefits of Lean at work, take it home as well. Share it with your neighbors and friends.

You might think me odd to even suggest such a thing, but I might recommend that if you don't see the value in bringing Lean home and sharing it, you may not be doing it right.

One of the reasons that I have given out over 250 copies of Paul Akers' book "2 Second Lean" is that I think Paul has hit on something... Building a Lean Culture.

This past year my father passed away at age 89. He went in a way that many might choose if they had the choice. He had a heart attack while tending his grapes, something he loved to do. Active and alert until the very end.

As we have helped to repurpose the items that he accumulated over his 89 years, I have come to realize that he kept everything! He lived through the Depression and had a hard time with our current day disposable culture. Inventive by nature and a recycler by choice, we are finding he had many unique items for us to find places for.

I don't know what kind of a difference "2 Second Lean" might have made with Dad, but it might have made our job today a little easier.

My wife, on the other hand, is naturally lean. If something has no purpose, it has no place in our home. I am somewhere in the middle, being my father's son, but also believing wholeheartedly in the Lean principles of continuous improvement and the elimination of waste within the value stream. I guess that is why we talk about being on a Lean journey because continuous improvement is perpetual.

One of my favorite parts of Paul Akers' 2 Second Lean program is his belief that Lean should be FUN, and it is. To me, Lean is about being a good Steward of all things. Your time, your space, your possessions, even your focus. Being purposeful in your life at work, at home, and at play means you will get full value from every experience.

Think about giving a copy of Paul Akers' "2 Second Lean" book to someone you care about. It could help them find more time for the essential things in life.

Order or download copies of "2 Second Lean" at <https://paulakers.net/books/2-second-lean>.

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