



Regional Event – Edmonton, Alberta
May 25-26, 2015

Monday, May 25, 2015

Hotel reservations can be found at the Westin Edmonton, please write to info@ckca.ca for hotel reservations – the accommodation form is on our website.

11.30AM "For those that are golfing"

Casual Lunch at "The Quarry" 945 - 167 Avenue NE, Edmonton"

12.15PM "The Quarry"

Tee off Times - staggered tee times begin - enjoy a challenging 18 holes, including power carts.

5.30PM "Craft Beer Market"

Our Event officially kicks off at Craft Beer Market (10013 101A AVE NW, Edmonton) - enjoy a reception with beer sampling from "Around the World" – we will sample 5 different beers and enjoy some delicious appetizers as we mingle!

6.30PM "The Westin Edmonton"

Make our way directly across the street to the Westin Edmonton.

7.00PM "Devonian room", The Westin Hotel

Enjoy a delicious dinner and networking with colleagues

7.45PM

Dinner Speaker: **Phil Ginter**; FPIInnovations: **Benefiting from Continuous Improvement in the Kitchen Cabinet Sector – What is Holding Companies Back?** Many kitchen cabinet manufacturers are already sold on the potential benefits offered by implementing Continuous Improvement (CI) techniques in their plants. Decreased lead times, improved margins and quality, less employee turnover, increased floor space and improved inventory management are some of the benefits of using CI techniques.

But why are not more manufacturers implementing these techniques in their plants?



Tuesday, May 26, 2015

7.00AM "Strathcona Room" Westin Hotel

Enjoy a delicious breakfast and networking opportunity

7.15AM

Morning Speaker: **Françoise Dion**; Colour Marketing Board; a specialist in trends, influences and colors.

Françoise has been a member of the Color Marketing Group of America since 1993.

The Association determines the color directions 2-3 years ahead.

Involved in colors and trends for more than 20 years Françoise will discuss the coming trends both in colors and in materials for the kitchen and furniture markets

8.00AM - 1.00PM "Plant tours" *Travel is by private vehicle*

Madsen's Custom Millwork – Madsen's Custom Millwork; 14504 - 123 Avenue, Edmonton

Milltech - 12410 142 Street, Edmonton

Nava Cabinets

***** Note – plant tour order and specific timings to be confirmed shortly**

1.00PM Depart last plant tour and return to Westin Hotel for lunch and speaker

1.30PM "Strathcona Room" Westin Hotel

Enjoy a delicious lunch and networking opportunity

1.45PM

Lunch Speaker: **Richard Lipman**; Wood Manufacturing Council - **Richard will summarize what we are hearing from manufacturers about their HR issues and challenges and summarize the labour market information studies that have been done recently.** Then we would look at possible solutions to these issues/challenges, including pre-employment training, high school curriculum for the woodworking industry, on-line management training, and international trades training. We will cover tools for assessing the skills of workers, attraction and advancement of women in the sector, career awareness and promotion for the sector and retention issues. We will also touch on opportunities under the Canada-Alberta Job Grant.

2.30PM

Program Ends