
JASON VAN WYHE

OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

ENTREPRENEUR AND LEADER who has established and led businesses to new levels of success in a variety of industries. Able to pinpoint business needs and deliver innovative solutions. Proven ability to build a team of professionals to achieve shared goals and drive profitability.

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Effective, hands-on manager. Able to capitalize on individual strengths and build productive teams.
 - Solid record of accomplishment in initiating organizational changes to improve performance.
 - Creative problem solver known for thinking outside the box, and developing innovative solutions.
 - Commitment to promoting a culture of safety, quality, productivity, and customer service
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CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Van Wyhe Consulting Barronett, WI

Sept 2018 – Present

Consultant

- Provided consulting services to small businesses struggling with growth and implementing lean, and developed www.jobshopleanmanufacturing.com as a resource to aid them
- Offered short-term contract management services to organizations in transition

Trinity Industries Hager City, WI

Oct 2012 – Jul 2018

Production Manager

Led operations team of 10 supervisors and 242 direct employees in a \$100 million/year sales steel utility pole manufacturing plant. Managed production safety, quality, cost, and delivery, while involved with production scheduling, product development, test operations, continuous improvement, and union relations.

- Team leader of an Operational Excellence/Kaizen team that eliminated the plant's largest bottleneck, increased efficiency in our front-end cutting, press brake, and seaming operation by over 20%, and raised overall plant efficiency from 88% to 103% while maintaining a low indirect ratio
 - Handled employee relations, accountability, coaching, union grievances, and was plant representative on two successful union contract negotiation teams
 - Created an hours-based system of capacity and production planning for an extreme high variation, low run engineered job shop business implemented division-wide via a SIOP event
 - Provided design proposals and manufacturability insight on a product development team for a quick-connect system to eliminate wind vibration resonance from utility structures, patents pending
 - Protected the company from potential litigation by identifying and correcting 7 major customer contract, legal, and liability issues as part of the corporate compliance team
 - Increased quality and decreased scrap in our machining department's press brake operation 75% by implementing standard work, revamping equipment, and implementing administrative controls
 - Revamped safety JSA program by adding hands-on training and additional behavioral-based checks
 - Redesigned key welding and machining elements of job estimating system, and provided feedback on result accuracy to the rest of the estimating team, drastically increasing estimate accuracy
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Trinity Industries (Thomas and Betts/ABB) Hager City, WI

Nov 2010 – Sep 2012

Production Superintendent/Maintenance

Managed day-to-day shop floor of steel utility structures manufacturing plant, including hiring, discipline, training, Gemba walk, Kaizen and 5s events, ISO 9001/14001/18001 compliance, and maintenance

- Launched hardware kitting program to organize and reduce the lead time the supply of parts to welding stations in a job-shop environment, reducing waiting by 15%
- Modernized Lock out Tag out, confined space, and arc flash programs by rewriting all procedures, created a hands-on training and communication system, and visual aids at all locations
- Developed lead double-check standard work and checklist documentation process that reduced quality customer escapes by 25%.
- Team leader of value streaming mapping event that cut lead time of MRO purchasing in half
- Provided root cause analysis using 8D and A3 methodology for customer escapes
- Spearheaded product development of blade connection replacing expensive welded components

Trinity Industries (Thomas and Betts) Hager City, WI

Jan 2009 – Oct 2010

Maintenance Supervisor / Finishing Supervisor

- Led a team of 14 maintenance technicians and 3 paint, coating, and blast operators over two shifts
- Managed floor layout and machine installation on 4.5 million dollar plant addition project
- Managed multi-million dollar Pangborn blast retrofit and Kinetic plasma/machine table installations
- Oversaw large tool crib inventory via Faciliworks CMMS and budgeting of MRO parts and supplies

Chopper Surplus

Jan 2000 – Dec 2008

Owner

- Built custom motorcycle business from ground up, building bikes and selling parts in 58 countries
- Managed operations, fabrication, marketing, warehouse, inventory, fulfillment, and logistics

Wallace (RR Donnelley) St Charles, IL and Osage, IA

May 1996 – Oct 1999

Plant Engineer / Project Manager

- Led maintenance at an automated distribution center/warehouse and notebook printing facilities
- Managed and installed 7 major web presses and bindery equipment around the country
- Hands-on technical support for HVAC, Trane chillers, boilers, Siemens, Omron, Allen Bradley PLC's
- Project Manager of \$800,000 Beilomatik wire head installation on a notebook printing line.
- Developed and implemented TPM methodology for key printing and warehouse equipment
- Programmed in various languages, and Microsoft Word, Excel, Power point, Auto-cad proficient

Education: University of Wisconsin – Stout 1995

Sep 1990 – Dec 1995

Major: Bachelor of Science - Industry Technology, Electronics

Minors: Math, Physics, and Computer Science

Certifications: Six Sigma Green Belt, TWI, Lean Level 2, FCC Technician, OSHA 30, CPR/FA/BBP