

Honoring and Supporting Our Troops

During the month of June, Henry Poor Lumber led by Debbie Davis, Nicole Reece and Deanna Graves, encouraged their co-workers and Henry Poor customers to support our deployed troops by donating food items, toiletries, games and other items that will be shipped to them.

These items will go to the **38th Sustainment Brigade** of the

United States Army National Guard based in Kokomo with members deploying later this month. Other packages will go to deployed service members of Henry Poor and Flooring Express employees.



Support Our Troops organizers (L-R) Nicole Reece, Ted Benner, Deanna Graves and Debbie Davis.



Ted Benner (L) presents Jim Hainje with the big prize.

These troops are ...

Lt. Col. Josh Thiel ARMY (Jim Andrew - son in-law); **SMSgt. Michael Davis** USAF (Debra Davis- son); **Sgt. Jordan Marsell** ARMY (Ted Benner-son in-law); **Sgt. Ryan Wiley** ARMY (Nicole Reece- friend); **Sp. Carl Graves** ARMY (Deanna Graves - brother); **Sp. Ashley Saldana** ARMY (HP employee).

At the June cookout a corn hole

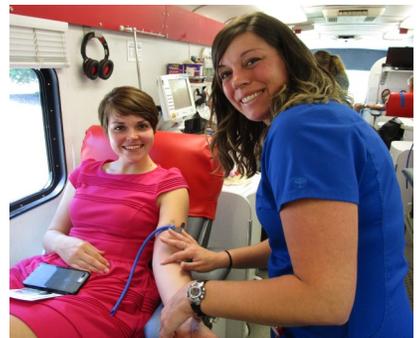
toss fundraiser raised \$653.00. These funds will be used to purchase snacks, drink mixes, candy, toiletries, hygiene products, games and handmade cards. Aspen Dental and Dr. Pruess DDS also donated toothpaste, brushes and floss.

We are very proud of those we know who help defend our country. Everyone at Henry Poor would like to thank all those who supported this effort.

Cookouts, Blood Drive Going Strong

Henry Poor Lumber and Flooring Express's monthly cookouts have been "hot" events with the summer weather we have had. We would like to thank all our sponsors for their support and participation.

Upcoming cookouts are scheduled for **7/27, 8/31, 9/26** and **10/28**. In May we also held our annual blood drive. We had a great group of donors including Tianna Tillotson (in pink) who gave with a big smile.



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Part of the Wabash Valley Lean Network

If you thought lean manufacturing is something that a building supply company would not have much interest in, you'd be wrong. According to Tom Andrew, Henry Poor's participant in the Wabash Valley Lean Network, he has learned a great deal about streamlining business and operational practices from attending the monthly meetings. In addition Tom has taken Purdue courses sponsored by the WVLN that have added to his and the company's knowledge of lean manufacturing practices.

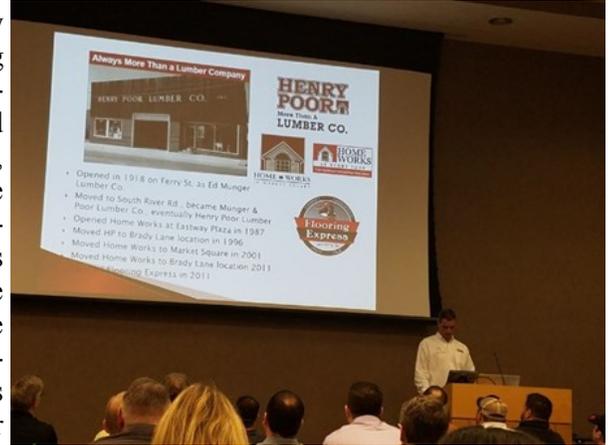
WVLN is made up of over 110 companies in Indiana and surrounding states who are focused on incorporating lean philosophies and tools into their businesses. It also provides opportunities for its members to network and learn from others working to improve their organizations.

In both Henry Poor's building supply and custom container and pallet businesses, Tom notes, "We have taken several of the ideas that we have learned from the WVLN and applied them. This streamlined our processes, reduced waste, increased throughput, and eliminated mistakes and defects." All of these improvements have led to more standardized practices and even reduced paperwork.

Another benefit of being part of this group is that it has allowed Henry Poor's sales and operations team members to better understand the business practices

of their customers who utilize lean processes.

Even just knowing the terminology of lean manufacturing has made Henry Poor more responsive to their customer's needs. In the long run the goal is for both Henry Poor and their customers to be more efficient and successful.



Tom Andrew presenting at a WVLN meeting.

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