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EXSYS DESIGNS NEW MODULAR TOOL SYSTEM FOR STAR CNC SWISS-TYPE MACHINES

In an industry where time is money and shaving a second off part cycle times translates into huge savings, EXSYS Tool Inc. has developed a new modular tool holding system specifically for those high-volume manufacturers using Star CNC brand Swiss-style machines. The new DECO-FLEX® system will allow Star CNC machine users to run multiple toolholders in a single tool position, while also significantly reducing their tooling changeover times.

For unmatched flexibility, precision and cost savings, the new system lets Star CNC owners select what type of toolholder they want. In fact, EXSYS offers multiple-spindle toolholders, meaning a single tooholder can support anywhere from two to eight spindles. Such options enable the Swiss-style machines to cut parts simultaneously from start to finish because the spindles are working in tandem.

With the DECO-FLEX, full Swissstyle machine setup changeovers take 20 minutes or less, as opposed to the typical full-day changeover times. Along with mounting adapters, the DECO-FLEX uses holders that are mounted into and dedicated to specific brands of Swiss-style machines, including Star, as well as to DECO-FLEX tooling.

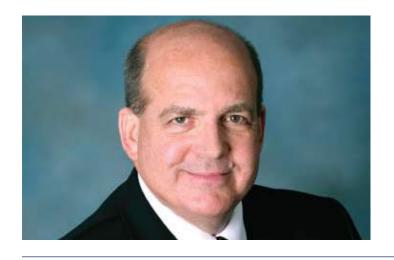
The new system adapts to every model of Star machine, from the oldest to the very latest, and provides for the use of either standard ER collets or the quick change tooling of the DECO-FLEX modular tooling system. However, by using DECO-FLEX adapters as opposed to standard collets, shops can increase both tool rigidity and longevity, as well as take more aggressive cuts without the risk of tool spin or slippage.

DECO-FLEX combines the precision and benefits of traditional modular tooling systems into a configuration compact enough to work effectively in the small spaces of Swissstyle machines. Additionally, tools can be removed and replaced with the assurance that tool-positioning accuracy will repeat from one to another within 3 microns to centerline and that tool runout will be less than 0.0004" at 1.250" from system face. Plus, adapters and tools can be set up off-line, as well as cutter stop lengths, to further slash set up









CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

ROGER ATKINS / NTMA CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Well half the calendar year has come and gone and the real question is what has each of us done with it personally and professionally? Have we accomplished our goals to date? Are we on course? Do we need to make adjustments? All great questions and the right questions to be asking. Asking and answering these questions of ourselves and our teams gives each of us the opportunity to prepare for the second half of the year.

Regardless of what your answers to the questions above are, I would ask you to think of how your membership in NTMA has helped you or could help you in the second half? One of the most challenging things in leading NTMA is how do we get our members to take advantage of the opportunities afforded them by their membership in NTMA and how to utilize them for their own success. As I travel across the country I hear of the needs of manufacturers; members and non-members alike and vet many of the answers and solutions are there for the asking and taking with your membership in NTMA. What I have realized and this holds true for me as well, that we are so busy working in the business that we spend little time working on the business. For each of us to be successful we must take the time to chart the course ahead and set the vision of our companies and

our association for the future. We

are seeing a transformation in manufacturing and we must stay aware of the changes and adapt to them timely and strategically.

As Chairman, my year is

almost one third of the way

through and the same questions apply to me and NTMA. In my travels to Chapter's across the US, I can tell you that there are some chapters aggressively on the move, while others are making headway, and yet others struggling. For those moving forward, the common factor among them all is an engaged Chapter Board, an active Chapter Executive, and an engaged Chapter membership. In my recent trip to the Rock River Chapter in Rockford, Illinois I experienced a longtime Chapter who has had its challenges through the years now revitalized and engaged at all levels. They are networking together for the good of all and looking for ways to bring value to their members. I have seen this same engagement from California, to Florida, to Minnesota, and to Michigan.

On the National Office front we have and are experiencing much change. The largest of which I mentioned last month is the pending move to our new NTMA offices in Cleveland. It is exciting to report that things are moving full steam ahead. Even more exciting has been NTMA's ability to build one of the strongest staff teams in recent years; from Finance, to Membership, to

Chapter Executive Coordinator, to Event Coordinators, we have a fantastic team. Couple this overview with our One Voice Success and our Industry Partner Associates, NTMA has positioned "you" for Transformation and Success. Our Government Affairs team and Advocacy Partners have done a great job in representing the metal working industry in major legislation that affects each of our businesses. Even those issues we did not win, our input on the issues had major influence regardless of the outcome. In such a critical election year, NTMA has seen member companies host Presidential candidate Mitt Romney receiving national exposure for manufacturing; we have seen numerous NTMA members in national publications, while others testify to legislators, and one of our on NTMA members appointed to the US Manufacturing Counsel. It is great to see the commitment these folks have made to represent our industry and our

I recently spent the day with one of our major machine tool industry partners. From the President to other key management persons, their overwhelming message was here is what we do and have, how can we best serve you our industry partners? They also acknowledged the importance of NTMA's role in the US Manufacturing arena and their commitment to our ongo-

ing partnership. They realize that our success and competitiveness is their success and competitiveness. We have assembled a wonderful team of industry partners, I urge you to utilize them to help yourself and your company more competitive. We see many of these partners as big companies and ourselves as small companies and are reluctant to reach out. I can honestly tell you they do not see it that way and see us equal partners in fight for American Manufacturing. They are associate members because they to see us stronger untied than divided.

In August we will roll out our first NTMA Series webinar directed specifically for our businesses and industry focusing on Finance, Growth, Technology, and People. Our first webinar will be on Finance. This webinar series will allow you to engage others in your companies on these key areas giving you a competitive advantage. This is a great opportunity to help grow and educate your team members for transformational change within your company.

Lastly I would like to call everyone's attention to the NTMA Fall Conference to be held October 24-27 in Nashville, TN. The NTMA Staff has worked to put the pieces together to make this truly a "Transformational" conference from our outstanding speakers to our technology suites, industry presentations,

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and of course our Industry Roundtables. This conference will speak to multiple levels of your organization's management; from ownership, to finance, to sales, to technology. I would challenge each of us to use this conference as the opportunity to work "ON" our businesses and not "IN" our businesses. I truly believe the contents of this meeting could transform you, your company, and your people. Calendar now to attend, there will be more information to come.

In closing, this is a "New DAY at NTMA" and I so appreciate our staff for their efforts and focus to support us the members. I am confident that we are moving forward and again ask for your support and engagement on behalf of our industry and association. Personally my commitment to each of you re-

mains "Transforming for Competitiveness". The second half of the year will be what you make it, let NTMA help you make it all it can be. I look forward to meeting you in my coming travels across the US.



ROGER ATKINS / CHAIRMAN



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KENNAMETAL TRAINING AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES MARK "DIFFERENT THINKING" FOR IMPROVING PRODUCTION

Manufacturing in the 21st Century around the world is increasingly characterized by the unending quest for improved productivity and efficiency. Manufacturers in developed economies such as North America and Western Europe face unrelenting pressure to produce high-quality products at the lowest possible piece price at ever-improving service levels. In emerging markets within the Asia Pacific region and Eastern Europe, manufacturers are growing at such a frantic pace that they need assistance to effectively manage start-up operations and expansion. "Both scenarios are creating opportunities for forward-thinking suppliers to step in and help manufacturers improve profitability in challenging business environments and at the same time increase their own revenue," says Mark Huston, Vice President, Global Engineered Solutions at Kennametal Inc. (Latrobe, PA). "This involves rethinking traditional vendor/purchasing relationships and approaching manufacturing customers and upper management with an en-

Training and learning are two such critical menu items. For many shops of varying size, metalworking training has been thought of in a number of ways – a black art that takes place once initiates have paid their dues in experience and minor tasks, or tribal knowledge consisting of "Follow Joe and do what he does."

hanced value-added menu."

Add the lack of trained technicians and machinists entering the workplace and training should be a top concern of any metalworking business anywhere. "It is important to note the Kennametal Knowledge

Center believes metalworking is a science and not an art," says Ron Davis, Global Manager of Kennametal's Knowledge Center. "Principles and facts are the basis of what we teach and discuss, using a non-commercial delivery. Metalworking needs to be approached as a science and then all will benefit."

Kennametal is announcing a number of training and learning opportunities in September. The Kennametal Knowledge Center will be holding its Metalworking Application Training Course at the Radisson O'Hare Airport Hotel in Des Plaines, IL, September 11-12. Course content will feature a pre-test and cover metalworking basics, cutting tool materials, and focus on such applications as turning and boring, holemaking, threading and tapping, and milling. Insert failure and analysis and how to optimize productivity round out the two-day sessions.

In addition, Kennametal will have concurrent Innovation Exchange presentations taking place hourly at its booth W-1522 at IMTS. Sessions will cover crankshaft machining for automotive and heavy equipment industries; fuel system components, also for automotive and transportation; technology developments for the machining of titanium parts for the aerospace/defense industries; and turbine blade machining for energy applications. All will feature both standard and custom solutions marked by "Different Thinking," a number of which are resulting in orders-of-magnitude productivity improvements.

"It's important to note we are highlighting the full

across the entire automotive manufacturing spectrum, from OEMs through tier suppliers and job shops - the whole supply chain," says Colin Tilzey, global segment manager, transportation at Kennametal, a session presenter. "Full capability means highlighting advanced tooling solutions, but also including Kennametal's engineering capabilities, advanced materials science, sustainability initiatives, surface engineering, and global footprint. These aspects can have a huge impact on maximizing process efficiency, but can also improve

a company's environmental

impact, tool management, sup-

ply-chain efficiency, and overall

production costs."

capability to deliver solutions

The energy sector is another landscape white-hot with manufacturing and research activity. "If there is a common denominator for those participating in oil drilling, shale gas extraction, wind farms, or numerous other energy businesses, it's that those who are quick-to-market make money while the slow get a lot of missed opportunities," says David Cope, Manager of Technical Programs at Kennametal and also a part of the presenting team. "Having an engineering solutions partner involved early in the process can save significant time and money by right-sizing capital investments and ensuring that new machine tools provide the necessary spindle connections, torque, rigidity, and horsepower to drive the newest tooling innovations."

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION

According to the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, 46 million college-educated baby boomers will retire in the next 20 years. In addition, employers estimate that 39 percent of their current workforce and 26 percent of new hires will have basic skills deficiencies. This makes finding qualified machinists and keeping them trained an ongoing problem for global manufacturers. Kennametal's Knowledge Center is a proactive approach to solving it.

Established in 1998, the Kennametal Knowledge Center has trained metalworking professionals in the thousands. With formal training centers located in Latrobe, PA; Kingswinford, UK; Fürth, Germany; Sao Paulo, Brazil; Bangalore, India; and Shanghai, China; Kennametal is well-positioned to meet the needs of its clients around the world.

The company also provides customized on-site training programs and self-paced, web-based e-learning to achieve Certified Metalcutting Professional (CMP) status. Kennametal education and certification programs focus on general metalcutting theory, tooling application, and troubleshooting techniques, not on specific tooling brands or products. However, Kennametal finds that as its clients gain increased knowledge about how tooling can impact overall production performance, they become more focused on how to leverage the high-performance tooling and associated productivity services that Kennametal offers to optimize their machining operations.

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AGIE CHARMILLES ANNOUNCES GRAND OPENING EVENT FOR COMPETENCE CENTER AND SPONSORSHIP OF SEA SEMINAR

Agie Charmilles will unveil its new Competence Center during a two-day grand opening and educational event from July 25-26, 2012. The center, located in Lincolnshire, Ill., supports the company's continued focus on providing the best solutions to manufacturers who specialize in specific market segments, such as aerospace, medical and die and mold.

The event will highlight Agie Charmilles' market-leading EDM and milling machines and laser ablation technologies. Attendees will have an opportunity to preview products that will be featured at IMTS 2012, as well as participate in a variety of technology and applications-focused workshops. Topics covered during these interactive training sessions include incorporating multi-axis wire EDM, advanced machining technology, MTConnect and compliance with industry-specific regulations, such as NADCAP. The Competence Center grand opening and educational event will begin at noon on Wednesday, July 25 with a grand opening ceremony, followed by a luncheon. Attendees will then be able to take tours of the new facility and attend various machine demonstrations, seminars and presentations throughout the afternoon. The event continues from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 26.

"The new Competence Center represents our dedication to helping manufacturers succeed in the face of the unique challenges presented by the industries they serve," says Gisbert Ledvon, business development manager at Agie Charmilles. "In addition to the new facility in Lincolnshire, we've also made extensive upgrades to our Competence Centers in Massachusetts, North Carolina and California. We've also added nearly 20 applications engineers with substantial expertise in industry segments such as aerospace and

In addition to its grand opening event, Agie Charmilles is sponsoring and participating in the Supplier Excellence Alliance (SEA) Conference in Lincolnshire, which takes place on July 24. With the theme of 'Owner Equity - Increasing Value in Challenging Times,' this conference will present vital information to shops that serve or plan to serve customers in the aerospace industry. Manufacturers interested in this industry segment are encouraged to plan to attend the conference prior to the grand opening of Agie Charmilles' Competence Center.

To register for the SEA Conference or Competence Center Grand Opening, please visit http://us.gfac.com/events/registration. cfm?eventID=76.







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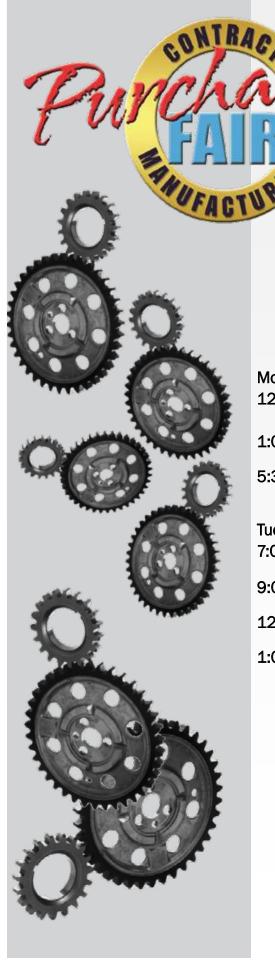
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7:45 a.m 8:30 a.m.	First Timers Breakfast	8:00 a.m 10:30 a.
9:00 a.m 10:45 a.m.	NTMA General Assembly/Awards &	

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Working Lunch

Optional Activity

Government Affairs

Team Meeting

Manufacturing Technology

Team Meeting NTMA Chapter Leadership **Development Seminar**

Insurance Board Meeting

NTMA Welcome Reception

Workforce Development Plan

Nominating Team Meeting

Kitchen Tour of Gaylord Opryland

Meeting

Updates/Keynote Speaker 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Robotics Team Meeting Education Team Meeting Next Generation Team Meeting**

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m

2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

October 25 (Thursday)

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

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	Value Meeting
8:30 a.m 9:30 a.m.	Industry Advocay Meeting
8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	Technology Seminar I

Technology Seminar II

Technology Seminar III Music & Memories Nashville Style

> NTMA Chapter Leadership Development Seminar NTMA Luncheon for Past

Chairman & Wives **Budget & Finance Meeting** Chapter Executives Roundtable Dinner & Line Dancing at

Wildhorse Saloon

October 26 (Friday)

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

October 27 (Saturday)

7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Precision Machining I

Track I

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Optional Activity Grand Ole Opry

Next Generation Networking Dinner

Registration Continental Breakfast **Board of Trustees Meeting** General Assembly/Keynote Speaker Optional Activity—Shuttle to Nashville and Dave and Busters

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Meal/Functions	Sponsored by:
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Hospitality Station sponsor #3	\$1,000
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Exclusive Sponsor	\$10,000
Welcome Reception sponsor #1	\$5,000
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Welcome Reception sponsor #3	\$5,000
Tuesday PM Hospitality Station	Assorted Beverages
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NORTH BUILDING EVENTS

NIMS Student Skills Center

Where: Hall C - North Building Sept 10-15; 9:00am - 2:00pm Visit the Student Skills

Center, formerly the Student Summit, to meet employers, STEM education organizers, and representatives of successful career-technical training programs to talk one-on-one about skills, technology, and careers. Exhibits inside the 2012 Student Skills Center will include hands-on activities, videos, demonstrations and simulations, as well as interactive, engaging activities resulting in small prizes for correct answers. The Student Skills Center will feature a daily raffle for various exhibitor-provided prizes, career profiles, and a resume-drop box.

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EAST BUILDING EVENTS

IANA Global Automation & Manufacturing Summit

Where: East Building - Room E353 When: Sept 12; 11:00am - 12:15pm **About:** Integrating Operator Knowledge

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Speakers: Franz Gruber, FORCAM, Joey Stubbs, EtherCAT Technology, Meeta Kratz, Grainger

East Building Conferences

When Sept 10 & 11	Where E ₃₅₃	Topic Motion, Drives & Automation Conference
Sept 13 & 14	E259-262 & 266	ISA Inside - Training Sessions
Sept 12 & 13	E353	IANA Global Automation & Manufacturing Summit

WEST BUILDING EVENTS

Booth: W-1522

Join Kennametal for InnovationExchange presentations every day at IMTS, running on the hour from 10am until 4pm. Sessions will cover crankshaft machining for automotive and heavy equipment industries; fuel system components, also for automotive and transportation; technology developments for the machining of titanium parts for the aerospace/defense industries; and turbine blade machining for energy applications.

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When

Where: South Building - S104B When: Daily: Noon to 1:00pm Company

Monday Sept 10 Cavalier Tool Mold Manufacturing Hear how Cavalier Tool & Manufacturing Ltd. of Windsor, Ontario, handles drilling, boring, thread milling, tapping, 2-D and 3-D machining without the operator ever touching the part.

Tuesday Sept 11 Eagle Mfg Production Machining Hear how Eagle Manufacturing uses Makino horizontal machining centers and automation systems to produce high-volume parts for automotive applications

Wednesday Sept 12 Exacta Aerospace Aerospace Hear how Exacta Aerospace has invested in both added capacity and capabilities to run unattended automated operations on both 4 and 5 axis parts.

Thursday Sept 13 **TBA**

Friday Sept 12 Chelar Tool & Die Investing in EDM Technologies Hear how Exacta Aerospace has invested in both added capacity and capabilities to run unattended automated operations on both 4 and 5 axis parts.



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OVER 150 APPRENTICES ARE EXPECTED TO ENROLL INTO NTMA-U THIS FALL

NTMA-U ENROLLMENT IS STILL OPEN FOR CLASSES THAT BEGIN SEPTEMBER 3RD. 2012.

The demands of highly skilled technicians is greater today than ever before, this is proven by the Member Added Value on-line training that is being provided by the NTMA. Many companies and organizations like Heisler Tool, AWT, Precise Tool and Die and the list goes on, have joined the NTMA just to take advantage of NTMA-U, the National Tooling and Machining Associations – (Federal Bureau of Apprenticeship Training) recognized workforce development training program that is also college credit based.

Our first year has experienced, and exceeded growth beyond what anyone had anticipated. The courses are created to emulate a traditional classroom environment, with the convenience of online training. NTMA-U offers over 600 hours of workforce development training through courses in Blueprint Reading, Applied Shop Math, Shop Technology, CNC (with simulated and animated tool path and control panel integration in each course), GDT, SPC, Manufacturing Processes and much, much more. NTMA-U amazing growth and member use proves that the highly skilled information technology age has not, as some have suggested, meant the end of the manufacturing age. In fact, our industry has witness resurgence in the manufacturing sector that has exceeded anything in the past, and employee training requirements are even more demanding than ever before.

Rich Ditto – Fredon Corporation – NTMA-U is the future of training that is here right now. Employees can get the book education while working. On the job training while they learn on line. Our experience has been very positive with good feedback from our employee. The one catch is you have to have the discipline to take time out of your day, and go on line. But you get to do the coursework at home and when it fits your schedule. Lots of positives! We highly recommend NTMA-U, and see this as the future of the training programs.

With rapid deployment of technology though all manufacturing industry, the need for training, certification, and retraining are mission critical to our members.

Most online students these days have families and jobs. Kevin Ausmus - An apprentice from Frank Burch's shop Southern Machine Works - "Online students have to schedule the course into their daily life. "Anything in life worth doing is worth doing well, and anything worth doing is worth scheduling. Sometimes what students learn from the course goes beyond the subject matter, Kevin stated. "You learn how to discipline yourself, develop problem-solving skills, and learn how to schedule and prioritize your time."

You can take a look at an overview of NTMA-U at: http://youtu.be/TgCjy8Nn8K4

For More information please contact: KMCCREIGHT@NTMA.ORG or call 216-264-2834



RE-DESIGNED A30SD AUTOMATIC PALLET SYSTEM CHANGES PALLETS FASTER; NOW ADAPTS TO VIRTUALLY ALL BRANDS OF MACHINE CENTER — TO BE SHOWN AT IMTS 2012, B00TH S-9347, SEPTEMBER 10-15.

Celebrating over 42 years in business, MIDACO CORPORATION of Elk Grove Village, Illinois USA, is proud to announce it has expanded their line of Pallet Changers to adapt to most machining centers with travels up to 150" x 50" (3810mm x 1270mm). These American made systems reduce spindle downtime related to part loading and fixture change-over adapting to virtually all types of machining centers. The Automatic Pallet Changers are servo driven and have been redesigned to offer a faster pallet change time. They will be displayed in Chicago at IMTS 2012, SEPTEMBER 10-15 in Booth S-9347.

Today's "Just in Time" marketplace is causing companies to experience smaller lot sizes. These short run jobs cause significant spindle downtime due to fixture change over. When combined with part loading, first article inspection and "emergency job" interruption tasks, experts estimate that today's average machining center is idle up to 70% of the time. At a conservative shop rate of \$60.00 per hour this down time can add up to over \$45,000 of lost profit per year, per each machine owned. MIDACO pallet changers are a proven way to eliminate unnecessary spindle downtime and "rescue" lost profit.

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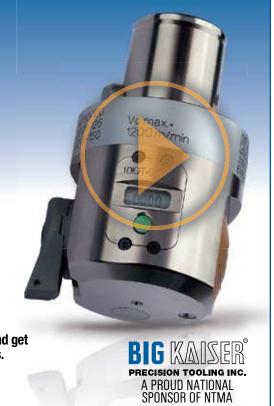
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NTMA OFFICIALLY KICKS OFF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING/WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM

The NTMA officially kicked off a formal apprenticeship training / workforce development program on January 18th 2012. In response to meeting our members training needs. The NTMA Education Team undertook the coursework development by honing in on NIMS guidelines, as well as a focus on key industry standards. The NTMA offered a beta test of this training, and found the course content to be well received and highly successful with outstanding overall student / employee performance.

New registrations begin now for classes that will begin in the Fall (September)

Why is workforce development so terribly important? The Bureau of Labor Statistics predicted that, repetitive manufacturing career pathways as a share of the total workforce is going to decline by 10.6 percent, while employment in advanced manufacturing, has risen by 37 percent. The aerospace and defense industry has a backlog of production that extends to 2030, requiring continuous upkeep of their workforce.

The 2009 Skills Gap Report stated that more than 80 percent of U.S. manufacturers report an overall shortage of qualified employees. As an industry, we really need to grow our own the talent base, and many of our members do not have training centers in their region. That's what NTMA-U offers.

NTMA-U - has lecture style You-Tube videos (over 200 in all) that provide practical information about the how to's of Shop Theory, Practical Math and Blueprint Reading. And "Interactive Student CNC Emulators that offer training on just over 16 HAAS & Fanuc Control Panels. With a complete blend of the vast Tooling-U training modules as well.

NTMA-U is designed to be taken over a period of 3 years in order to make it more manageable and company cost effective, while students are able to continue to work a full time job. Students are able to gain the knowledge of the new technologies in manufacturing, as well as an understanding on how to apply those skills in roles that are being developed in the highly skilled trade of manufacturing. This is a great opportunity for new employees, or those within your shop that need to update and enhance their skills to take a step toward preparing for future roles within your company. Upon completion, graduates will have articulated college credit, and they will be able to complete their NTMA Journeyman's Certification.

An articulation agreement of twenty one college credits will be awarded to all NTMA-U Graduates from the University of Akron in their Manufacturing and Automated Manufacturing Engineering Technology Degree program.

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COURSES OFFERED THIS FALL:

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Machine Tool Technology 2 (with practical applied shop Math and Blueprint reading)

CNC programming and Set-up (with practical applied shop Math and Blueprint reading)

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COURSES THAT WILL BE ADDED TO THIS LIST AND OFFERED IN FALL 2013

SPC – GDT – CNC Multi – Spindle CNC Skills and 3 D profiling

WHAT'S MY INVESTMENT?

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NTMA CONTINUES TO BUILD PROFESSIONAL TEAM

This summer NTMA established a wholly-owned service management company called Manufacturing Association Services (MAS), replacing our jointly-owned company from last year. NTMA is building upon its shared service strategy to continue to provide exceptional service and a framework for developing additional value added programs and services to our membership and industry. Headed by Emily Lipovan, this team has been expanded to provide you a rich member experience, alongside our President, Dave Tilstone, and our COO, Rob Akers.

We would like to introduce several new associates to NTMA including Chapter Executive Support Administrator Kelly Schneider, Event Planner Amanda Namenek, National Associate Membership Manager Tiffany Bryson, and Event Planner Kristen Reitz. And we thank Jeff Walmsley, our new membership director, for his early contributions since February. To all welcome!

As our Chairman stated last month the primary goal for the remainder of 2012 is to continue to build service delivery to our membership and all of NTMA's programs and services. Moving forward we are creating a strategy that will allow us to advance our place serving our chapters, associates, and members with programs that will clearly delineate NTMA and our Chapters, and positions our membership to achieve maximum profitability and open new business opportunities.

As we move forward, we encourage you to learn more about how you can utilize the Association and its services to advance your business. Please review the chart below for NTMA Associates who can provide you assistance with your membership in the association. If you have a question about any of this information, please feel free to contact Emily Lipovan elipovan@ntma.org.

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	- Dues			
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	-NIMS Certification			
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Every company owner wants to keep their employees safe. They also dread a visit from OSHA to inspect their facilities. Everyone has heard about "What to do if OSHA Shows Up" and how inspectors are in the building just looking to tack on fines. The NTMA labor legal advice has given members sound advice for years about different subjects but they usually only get a call about safety after OSHA has come or there's been a problem. There is help out there and a way to get some of your tax dollars to work for you.

At a rare June meeting in St. Louis, the chapter heard about a state/federal program that allows company owners to request a visit from an OSHA trained consultant FREE of charge. The program is called the "OSHA Consultation Program." Don't let the name scare you! This program is offered in every state. On top of it being FREE, the inspector can NOT pass on any of their findings to Federal OSHA by law. The NTMA now has a link on the website (www.ntma.org) that any member can go to, put in your state and it will automatically give you contact information for you to request a consultation.

Briefly, it works when a company requests a consultation. The request goes in to the local consultation services office planning calendar and a visit is set up. The consultant comes in and sits down with the company representatives and explains the program in detail. This consultation is confidential, specialized and conducted by highly skilled consultants without penalties. The audit can be limited to any part of the facility or can cover the entire facility. The company sets the scope of the visit. If the consultant find serious hazards, they will assist you in finding ways to correct those hazards. If serious hazards are identified, they must be corrected. Only if an employer requesting the consultation refuses to correct the serious hazards can OSHA be notified. This will all be agreed to before starting the audit.

Consultations usually last a day or shorter and a written report is provided to the employer. While undergoing a consultation no OSHA inspection can be done unless the facility has a fatality, catastrophic event, a former employee complaint or is in an industry designated by the Assistant Secretary of OSHA. Again, the consultant can inform each company the rules of the program BEFORE the audit moves forward. If an OSHA inspector comes in during the consultation period, the OSHA inspector is required by law to leave.

The consultation service will also do FREE noise or air samplings that may be needed as well. This same service is also provided by outside contractors, but will probably cost hundreds of dollars. Why not have it done for FREE and put your tax dollars to work?

As part of this program, there is also a program called Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP). It is reserved for the best of the best in safety. Companies that achieve the SHARP designation are exempt from OSHA inspections for one to two years. The On-Site consultants can brief company officials on how to apply for this part of the program. (SHARP may be called by a

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different name in other states but all states have the same credentialing program.)

The services of the OSHA Consultation program will make sure each company knows what an OSHA inspector will look for and most of the data involved in a good program can be found on the NTMA website (www.ntma.org) for all NTMA regular members under the Resources banner, Safety Resource Center. There are easy to download generic safety plans, check lists and other information needed for a good Safety Plan. By using this program and filling out the annual NTMA Safety Survey, NTMA members have an easy way to make sure their employees are safe and the company protected.

Members in the St. Louis area are currently using this program and can give any member an overview from a peer perspective if needed. This program may be able to lower insurance costs by showing your insurance carrier you're serious about safety. For more information on this program, contact Jim Grosmann, NTMA Marketing Director, jgrosmann@ntma.org or visit http://www.ntma.org/resources/businessmanagement-advisories/osha-consultation/ to find the appropriate office for your state



TAX REFORM TAKES **CENTER STAGE, AND SO** DOES ONE VOICE

Congress is laying the groundwork to undertake the most comprehensive tax reform effort in since 1986 by holding important hearings now to discuss high priority tax issues. We are proud that Ralph Hardt, President of Jagemann Stamping Company in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, was asked to represent small and medium-sized manufacturers at an important House Ways and Means Committee hearing on "Tax Reform and the U.S. Manufacturing Sector." Ralph represented One Voice and is a member of NTMA and PMA.

At the hearing, Ralph emphasized that Congress needs to consider the impact on small U.S. manufacturing businesses when undertaking tax reform, particularly concerning "S-Corps" and similarly structured companies. Ralph told the Committee:

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Ralph also emphasized the distinction between the perception of 'wealthy' taxpayers and the realities of small business owners: "What many policymakers in Washington do not understand is, unlike larger corporations, small manufacturers like us are required to provide a personal guarantee for most loans when purchasing capital equipment or expanding our facilities...I have to put my family's home on the line, and take significant risks if I want to grow my business and compete globally."

The One Voice team also submitted comments to the Senate Finance Committee focusing on the tax provisions that are important to manufacturers that are expiring soon. In the letter, NTMA President Dave Tilstone and PMA President William Gaskin wrote: "we need to simplify and stabilize the tax code and implement policies that encourage investment and eliminate tax disadvantages. The current tax structure is a myriad of high rates, temporary credits, loopholes, and outdated policies that slow growth and competitiveness. In order to compete globally under the current U.S. tax structure, domestic manufacturers must use as many tax incentives as possible to lower their burden, expand their businesses and hire more employees."

We will continue to update members on tax reform, an issue that could impact manufacturers for years – or even decades – to come.

Manufacturers can make a difference in Washington, but only if they participate in the process. NTMA members can give unlimited corporate or individual contributions to the NTMA Government Affairs Administrative Fund which supports the work done by The Franklin Partnership and Policy Resolution Group at Bracewell & Giuliani LLP. Additionally, NTMA members can make limited personal donations to the Committee for a Strong Economy (CFASE) PAC which supports pro-manufacturing Congressional candidates.

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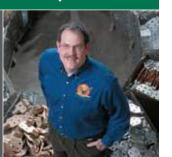
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