

Greetings!

We are looking forward to the next couple of months. We have the 19th Annual Golf outing and Manufacturing day to look forward to. We hope you will join us for one or both events. More details can be found below.

Welcome New Members!

Apex Advisors - is a tax specialty services firm dedicated to helping businesses innovate and grow in today's increasingly competitive global marketplace. Founded in 2001 and headquartered in Los Angeles, California, Apex Advisors helps businesses claim valuable tax incentives through a variety of federal and state programs, most notably the Research & Development Tax Credits, Work Opportunity Tax Credits, Cost Segregation, and the Sec. 179D deduction. Our experienced staff of accountants, tax attorneys, engineers, former IRS agents and attorneys work closely with clients to provide the extensive research necessary to maximize tax benefits and provide rigorous defense against audits. At Apex Advisors, we invest in strong relationships that deliver better results.

W. Soule - is a full-service custom fabricator and industrial mechanical company with over 400 employees. The company now offers a full range of services including industrial process piping, custom metal fabrication and installation, millwright services, and 24-hour mechanical service.

We are a talented and dedicated group of craftsmen and professionals ever seeking to utilize new, tested and innovative ways to help customers achieve their goals. Our success can only be judged by that of our clients; it's at the core of our mission and everything we do.

The Red Wing Shoe Store - we pride ourselves on our service during and after the sale. Every shoe purchase comes with our Lifetime Free Service Promise. We also offer a mobile shoe store that we will bring right to you fully customized to fit your company's safety footwear needs. We look forward to taking care of your safety footwear needs!

National Manufacturing Day is October 6th

Have you made plans yet? Join our efforts and events! The GLBMA has a great day planned to promote Manufacturing to attract members, future employees, and educate the public that manufacturing is alive and strong in our region.

We are hoping you will participate in one or more ways, not only on October 6 but also October 2 - 6. There are several events that you can part take in! More information will follow over the next two weeks on each of the following ways you can support Manufacturing in the Great Lakes Bay Region:

- Host a public open house or tour of your facility.
- Host a nearby classroom to tour our facility.
- Sponsor a bus to transport middle and high students to SVSU for a visit with Titan. Gilroy and the Education Expo.
- Sponsor a table at the Educational Expo.
- Join us at Nexteer for breakfast, tour and Titan Gilroy.
- Join us at Delta College for a tour of the CNC labs and Technology Wing.



Opportunities are still available to sponsor the day! Please call 989-964-2881 if you can help! Thank you for your continued support of the GLBMA manufacturing programs.

GLBMA 19th Annual Golf Outing

We are hoping to sell out this event! With just 7 team spots left, we are rolling out a couple new items for our golf outing. You will want to check in early so you can participate in the driving range and **Scrabble ball networking**. Please confirm your team if you would like to join us! Event sponsors are Huntington Bank and Nexteer! Thank you to all our sponsors this year! We look forward to see all our sponsors at the event. Email confirmations will be sent to all golfers via emails provided. This email will provide an agenda for the day and details of all contest and games available.

We would welcome any items for door prizes. If you have any company swag that you would like to donate and promote your company please let us know.

There is still time to join or support the event. If you would like to attend please call Tanya at 989-964-2881.

MMA seeking nominations for MFG Excellence Awards 2017

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Excellence Awards. Nominations are open until Thursday, September 7, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. Complete details click here!

Manufacturers change the public's perception of manufacturing each time they recognize its supporters - industry leaders, policymakers, educators, and manufacturing supporters - and their contributions to the state. The MFG Excellence Awards recognize excellence in manufacturing by honoring the companies and individuals who make a positive impact in their community and in their industry. In addition to celebrating our manufacturing community, attendees will hear exceptional stories of world-class leaders and learn practices they can apply in their own business. Now you can celebrate excellence in manufacturing by honoring the individuals who make a positive impact in their community and in their industry.

NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnership

You may find this article interesting, <u>Measuring Manufacturing Value Added per Employee Across the Nation</u>. Written by Ken Voytek, Manager of the Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) program in the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

Michigan Works! Annual Conference

The annual conference for Michigan Works! will be held September 10 -12, 2017 in Mt. Pleasant. Click for more details. Key note topics and speakers are: HOW TECHNOLOGY, DEMOGRAPHICS AND VALUES ARE DISRUPTING THE FUTURE OF WORK AND TALENT by Nancy Giordano, EMBRACE THE SHAKE: TRANSFORMING LIMITATIONS INTO OPPORTUNITIES by Phil Hansen, and BORN TO WIN by Shawn Harper. We hope to see you there for all or part of the conference.

Save the Date:

You won't want to miss the following events. So make sure to mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details.

September 19th Annual Golf Outing

October 6th Manufacturing Day with Titan Gilroy

October 24th GLBMA Annual Meeting
November 2nd ATS Printing Plant Tour

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