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We hope this email finds you well. We have COVID resources listed on the GLBMA website. If you don't find what you need there, please give us a call. We have inundated you with emails; we figure you are getting enough emails.

The GLBMA office is open and working on our programming for 2021.

## GLBMA Highlights



Thursday, August 27, 2020

9:00 am Registration  
10:00 am Tee-off

The Fortress Golf Course

### We are gearing up for golf! Still time to join us! Thursday, August 27, 2020

Yes, the GLBMA golf outing will take place this year. The feel of the outing will be slightly different due to the COVID-19 restrictions but are on track for another successful event. We have limited teams spaces left.

What to expect! A great day of golf out on the course, the driving range, networking with scrabble ball and served meals.

We will still have a lot of fun planned and hope to see you there.

We will be playing the Fortress again this year and anticipate a sell out.

[Click to register your team!](#)

### Quality SIG



September topic: Identification of Quality

The Quality Special Interest Group (SIG) is a professionally facilitated group of the Great Lakes Bay Manufacturers Association (GLBMA). This SIG focuses on providing a forum to discuss and review quality systems, validate the need, and discuss industry updates, new regulations. It will also serve as a place where Quality employees can discuss issues in a confidential setting.

Objectives

Date: September 16, 2020

Time: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Location: SVSU, Room TBD

Register Link: [Click to register now!](#)

Registration Deadline: September 9, 2020

Please register for this session prior to September 9, 2020, to ensure enough space for social distancing. Room location will be sent in the event reminder two or three days prior to the event.  
Social distancing seats  
Masks required  
Screening form required (provided via email confirmation)  
Please bring your own beverage of choice  
For more information call Tanya at 989-964-2881 or email [tlblehm@svsu.edu](mailto:tlblehm@svsu.edu).



### GLBMA supports the upcoming PIVOT2020 Webinar

Join us for this extremely informative Webinar  
Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 A.M. to Noon

Two thirds of business owners and middle-market CEO's feel that ongoing uncertainty is one of the most difficult challenges of running a business today. For so many, COVID-19 continues to disrupt customers, markets, labor and supply chains, often in profound ways.

Companies can potentially manage the unknown by empowering their team and proactively pivoting to success using a powerful and proven planning process.

Developed specifically for businesses by Shepherd Advisors, PIVOT2020 and the accompanying PIVOT2020 ebook (<https://www.shepherdadvisors.com/pivot>) provide business leaders and their teams with specific tools to quickly and effectively build proactive strategies to pivot as markets shift and accelerate rebound as the new normal emerges.

[Register Now](#)

## Your monthly news & updates

**MMTC is anticipating in-person training to be available in our September class of Supervisor Skills (1.0) Training**

Our next class of Supervisor Skills (1.0) Training is scheduled to take place at SVSU on September 24 & 25 and October 1 & 2, 2020.

## SUPERVISOR SKILLS (1.0)

Equip participants with knowledge and skills needed become effective leaders and supervisors



"The accountability and critical thinking this class has presented me is a game changer and leaves you feeling energized to make change."

Brian Farr, IT Manager

This class is developed for manufacturing and the class always has been a useful tool for new supervisors within the industry.

[Download training details here.](#)

For complete details and to RSVP contact Chris Tibaudo at [cmtibaud@svsu.edu](mailto:cmtibaud@svsu.edu) or 989-964-2807.

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## MMA's MFG Operations Conference goes Virtual!

One session offered is...

Learn lessons from your manufacturing peers.

Eight months in to one of the most tumultuous and unpredictable years in history, manufacturers are looking back at lessons learned during the early phases of the global pandemic and are looking forward to growth ahead. Join executives from leading manufacturers for an engaging and informative discussion of preparedness planning, adaptation and recovery.

Join us for a peer-to-peer discussion, featuring:

- Brian Sciackitano • Chief Operating Officer • Firebolt Group, Inc
- Jack Zibell • Executive Vice President • Integrated Packaging Machinery
- Moderator: Melissa Johnson, CPA • Principal • Rehmann

Wednesday, August 26, 2020 • 9:30 am • join from your own comfortable seat  
\$95/person for MMA Industry & Associate Members  
\$145/person for MMA Insurance and Future members

Explore the rest of the MFG Operations Conference offerings and register today at [mimfg.org](http://mimfg.org).

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Check out the latest issue of the [MiMfg Magazine](#).

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## MMA Excellence Award Nominations close this Friday.

In the face of unforeseen and unimaginable obstacles, manufacturing has managed to shine in 2020. Give our industry the recognition it deserves by nominating an outstanding company or individual for the 2020 MFG Excellence Awards!

Learn more about the Award categories, meet past winners and nominate today at [mimfg.org](http://mimfg.org). Nominations are open until Friday, 8/21/20.

Award Categories

John G. Thodis Michigan Manufacturer of the Year  
MFG Woman of the Year  
MFG Emerging Leader  
MFG Talent Champion  
MFG Innovation Excellence  
MFG Community Impact

Nominate Online Today



## MMTC offers Integrated Change Control Workshop

Integrated change control (ICC) is the process of reviewing all change requests, approving changes, and managing changes to deliverables with documentation. It also involves communicating decisions that have been made. Participants will:

- Define project change and describe its significance
- Identify fundamentals for managing project change
- Practice creating an integrated change control process

For additional information contact Hali Motley, 989-964-2884 or [hkmotley@svsu.edu](mailto:hkmotley@svsu.edu).

Register now!



## MEDC - Funding available for Food Processors

Funding is still available for farms and agricultural processors with employees of 10 or more through the Michigan Agricultural Safety Grants program, as well as for small farms with fewer than 10 employees through the MEDC Small Farm Safety Grant program. These funds can also help support costs associated with the MDHHS Emergency Order issued last week, requiring COVID-19 testing for agricultural and food processing employees throughout the state. Learn more about the eligibility guidelines for each program at [michiganbusiness.org/agsafety](http://michiganbusiness.org/agsafety).

[Apply now!](#)



## Tax Advantage for employees with disabilities.

Businesses accommodating people with disabilities may qualify for some of the following tax credits and deductions. Please check this website out for more details, if you would like more information.

[IRS Website - Disabilities Credits](#)

## Amigo Mobility Names Their First Female President



BRIDGEPORT, Mich., July 20, 2020 - Amigo Mobility International, Inc., a leading global manufacturer of motorized shopping carts, material handling carts, and personal mobility vehicles announces that Beth Thieme, the company's current CEO, has been appointed as the company's first female President as well.

[Read the complete press release.](#)



Save the date for the next MiCareer Quest Middle Michigan 2021, scheduled for October 29, 2021 at SVSU.



*How Industry 4.0 Boosts Productivity In Intelligent Factories* by Richard Howells

The following article was published by Forbes Magazine and is a great read about how Industry 4.0 can be applied.

[Full Article Link](#)

## Thank you to our MFG Champions



Learn how to become a MFG Champion! Support the GLBMA for years to come.  
Call Tanya at 989-964-2881 or email [tblehm@svsu.edu](mailto:tblehm@svsu.edu)



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