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The Great Lakes Bay Region has a rich history of manufacturing. About seven months into this COVID-19, we are still manufacturing! We are still struggling. We have folks that sales are down, and folks that are having a hard time filling their workforce. If you need something that we can help with, please reach out to us and let us know. We are all in this together.

### **GLBMA** Highlights



Congratulations to Wildfire Credit Union! John Harken, Phil Weiss, Andrew Koester, and Bud Asnscomb

# Thank you! The support of the GLBMA Golf Outing was amazing despite COVID-19

Thursday, August 27 was full of fun and networking! Despite the COVID-19 interruption, the day was enjoyed by 112 golfers. A rain delay was the only thing to disrupt our day.

We would like to thank all the sponsors (see below) and volunteers needed to put the outing together and make it a complete success. Please check out the GLBMA website for complete details and team photos.

We look forward to next year's outing.

Save the date for Thursday, August 26, 2021.

#### **Supporter Recognition**



Chris Tibaudo, MMTC with GLBMA President Jim Terry



President Don Bachand, SVSU with GLBMA President Jim Terry



Chris Rishko Michigan Works! GLBR

The Great Lakes Bay Manufacturers Association (GLBMA) recently recognized our long time supporters. These organizations provide vital funding and support of the GLBMA. Saginaw Valley State University houses the GLBMA office located in the Scott L. Carmona College of Business and acts as our fiduciary. Michigan Works! The Great Lakes Bay Region provides funding for program such as plant tours and special interest groups. The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center provides day to day support of the organization and funds for technology and programming. We appreciate these supporters, without them GLBMA would no longer exist.



#### **Scholarship Presentation**

At our recent golf outing, GLBMA President Jim Terry presented Kyle Kwiatkowski with his check for \$1,000 scholarship for Delta College.

In addition, we recognized Aleksander Zielinski as our second scholarship winner. Aleksander was unavailable to attend the event for presentation.

Congratulations to both for continuing their education in skilled trades.

#### **Quality SIG**



November topic: Effective Management Review

Date: Wednesday, November 11, 2020

Time: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Location: TBD

Register Link: Click to register now!

Registration Deadline: November 3, 2020

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.

Please register for this session prior to November 3, 2020, to ensure enough space for social distancing. Location will be announced shortly.

Social distancing seats
Masks required
Screening form required (provided at meeting)

Please bring your own beverage of choice For more information call Tanya at 989-964-2881 or email tlblehm@svsu.edu.



# SISD welcomes the Prime program to 7 local schools

SME PRIME® (Partnership Response In Manufacturing Education) builds cost-effective and tailored manufacturing/ engineering programs in high schools across the country providing equipment, curriculum, professional development, scholarships and STEM-focused extracurricular activities to students and teachers. Each PRIME school is supported

and informed by local manufacturers in their communities.

Birch Run, Heritage, Swan Valley, Freeland, Hemlock, and Merrill high schools participate in the PRIME program as satellite schools. At the same time, the Saginaw Career Complex will function as a full PRIME program. Each school has enhanced its skilled trades program to include welding, CNC, plasma cutters, and CAD/CAM. The program will officially kick off this spring. The district students were able to start classes this fall with this newly enhanced program.

Each of the schools needs MFG support. Districts need materials and mentoring. Wish lists are available through Ann Marie Batkoski, Coordinator of Business Partnerships at the Saginaw Intermediate School District, 989.399.7473 or abatkoski@sisd.cc.

#### **Tooling U Informational Session**

Join us for this informational session on Tooling U and online option for training your workforce.

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

8:00 am to 9:00 am EST

This meeting will be held via Bluejeans and the link will be sent the day before the meeting in your meeting reminder.

Who should join - HR managers, HR assistants, Training coordinators, and supervisors.

Click to review program details.



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# New MIOSHA Ambassador Program Launches to Support Safe Michigan Business Reopening

As an increasing number of Michigan workplaces resume in-person operations, businesses and workers need support to ensure safe operations. The Michigan Dept. of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) and the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) are launching the MIOSHA Ambassador program to support Michigan businesses to reopen safely amidst the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The new MIOSHA Ambassador Program offers education and one-on-one guidance to help businesses understand regulations and Executive Orders on workplace safety. Ambassadors will not propose citations or issue penalties. They will work with businesses to improve conditions and correct issues. Education is essential with new guidance and directives regularly changing as we continue to battle with COVID-19.

Ambassadors will visit businesses statewide to offer education and support, with a focus on workplaces with a higher risk of community transmission. That includes bars, restaurants, retail stores, gas stations, convenience stores, bowling alleys and gyms. Employers must operate in compliance with the current Executive Orders and state and federal guidelines. Ambassadors will work with business owners and managers to best implement safety directives to help ensure a safe workplace for employees and customers. Ambassadors will utilize the MIOSHA Ambassador Assessment to evaluate safety precautions.

In addition, Ambassadors will provide an education toolkit to businesses. The toolkit can help you proactively review current workplace safety and health procedures to limit the risk of COVID-19 transmission. The toolkit includes:

- Sample COVID-19 preparedness and response plan
- Re-opening checklist
- Posters
- MIOSHA guidelines
- Fact sheets for the employer and employee

Please utilize the above resources to get started now and look for more information on COVID-19 workplace safety at <u>Michigan.gov/COVIDWorkplaceSafety</u>.

Read the full press release.



# MMA CEO Joins Governor to Launch Futures fro Frontliners

MMA President & CEO John J. Walsh joined Governor Gretchen Whitmer this morning to launch the Futures for Frontliners program, a scholarship program for essential workers to attend community college tuition-free. All essential workers — including manufacturing workers — who have not previously earned an associate or baccalaureate degree and have worked at least half-time in 11 of 13 weeks from 4/1/20 through 6/30/20 are eligible. The Futures for Frontliners program will recognize and reward the workers who have been on the frontlines in defense against the COVID-19 threat, empowering them to pursue advanced skills while they work to support the manufacturing-driven economic recovery. Applications are available at michigan.gov/frontliners now through 12/31/20. Resources to promote this upskilling

opportunity to your workforce are also available online.

Check out the latest issue of the MiMfg Magazine.





#### **MFG DAY 2020**

October 2nd is fast approaching. Are you ready? Can you tell us how you plan to celebrate MFG Day this year?

The GLBMA has been working on a video presentation that will be provided to local middle and high school students. This video highlights the great things that local manufacturers are working on in our region.

We would like to thank all those businesses that have been involved in this process. We cannot wait to see the end results.

If you are planning to host an event please be sure to register it on the National MFG Day website. Click here!

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### Thank you to our MFG Champions





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