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Welcome 2023 and the new look of the GLBMA

We have gotten a new look to our logo and you will also see a new logo with our tag line appear through out our marketing and website. The new logo can be seen above with our secondary logo at the end of the newsletter.

We have a lot in store for you this year. We have a full calendar and we are always looking for new ways in which we can help you. Please feel free to share any events, news updates, or press releases with us and we are happy to share with the membership.

We are looking to get the manufacturing community back involved with in-person events and quarterly membership meetings. We hope that you are sharing our news company wide, and with your manufacturing connections. Our event information can be found on the website, Facebook page, and our LinkedIn page. We encourage you to follow us.

Please note all blue colored text is a hyperlink.

Welcome - New Members



JCS Tool & Manufacturing

JCS Lined Piping Products is a division of JCS Tool & Manufacturing which was founded in 1969. We have a long history of manufacturing the best pipe fittings in the industry. We have sold hundreds of thousands of fittings over the last 40 years. We also produce the highest quality PTFE liners which are free sintered and meet all requirements of

ASTM F1545. Our fittings are made to B16.5 and all of our welders are certified to Section IX of the ASME Boiler and Pressure code and all welds are in compliance with B31.3. Our quality and delivery times are unmatched by anyone in the industry. We also offer PP and PVDF lined fittings and spools.

You can check out JCS Toll & Manufacturing by clicking on their name above.

Feature Article

Summer Interns

Now is the time to focus on summer interns. You will want to attend some of the spring/summer career fairs. All colleges have resources for you to post your summer intern opportunities. It is the matter of finding the right contact to get started. Colleges and Universities have career placement offices. For high school students, you are best to reach out to the school counselors. They are generally in contact with the students and know what direction they are heading after graduation. Students that have selected their career path may want to intern the summer between high school and college to have the edge over others. Plus, you may just find your next hire.

Saginaw Valley State University will be hosting their spring employment fair, February 3, 2023 at the Ryder Center. If you are looking local for a student this is a great opportunity. Contact Career Services at 989-964-4954 or careers@svsu.edu for more details.

Other resources in the area are the career centers at **Delta College**, **Saginaw Valley State University**, **Northwood University**, **Davenport University**, and your local high school's guidance counselor. Now is the time to reach out and get started.

Interested in creating an internship program? Indeed offers a **guide** that is helpful in setting up a program.

In addition, we would like to share that if you are in need of housing for an out of town student for the summer, see if the housing at SVSU would suit your needs. See their **brochure** outlining their summer housing options, great resource to offer your intern or make them aware this option exist.

GLBMA News

The GLBMA Casino & Euchre Night is approaching fast

Next Thursday, January 26, 2023, we will gather at the Great Hall in Midland to enjoy a night of social networking. This is a great evening to join fellow manufacturers for some active entertainment and conversation. If your not a gambler we offer Euchre as an option. Not sure how to play the different casino games? No worries it is a great environment to learn each of the games. Or join us and enjoy conversation. The night offers heavy hors d'oeuvres, soft drinks, beer, wine, cocktails, and a lot of chances to win a prize.

Tickets are \$75 each or a six pack of tickets for \$425.

NEW: a table of 8 with reserved banquet seating through out the event \$600.

Secure your tickets here!

Encourage and share that Delta College offers several GLBMA scholarships

The GLBMA Scholarship is now open and accepting applications for programs at Delta College. If you plan to attend Delta in the fall or you are currently attending, you are able to apply for a scholarship to help in the advance manufacturing curriculum. Please share this information with your employees and their families.

The application can be found [here](#).

Culture Shift - Where are you?

You are invited to join us for this informative lunch. Our agenda will include an opportunity to network and observe the culture at Amigo. We will hear from Rehmann's Human Resource Solutions, Elizabeth Williams, SHRM-SCP, SPHR. Then, we will hear from Jordan Thieme and how culture is a larger part of the family atmosphere at Amigo Mobility International.

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Amigo Mobility International

6693 Dixie Highway, Bridgeport

We encourage manufacturing members to attend this event. Space is limited. We ask that associate members only send one representative to ensure space for our manufacturing members.

Agenda:

11:30 am - Check-in and networking

Noon - Lunch and speaker

12:30 pm - Culture at Amigo
 1:15 pm - Q&A and wrap-up

Tours will be available at 1:30 pm, which will take about an hour.

This event is brought to you by Amigo Mobility International, Rehmann, and Ma's Kitchen - Food Truck and Catering.

[Register here](#)

Save the date for more GLBMA events

We have a full calendar of events that are focused at all levels of manufacturing. We hope that you will share these events with the appropriate department. Our current calendar of events can be download [here](#).

New this year, you can sign up for **text messages** announcing our events or an event reminder. No more than two texts will be sent a month. You must sign up to receive these messages, we are not able to sign you up. Please use this **link** here to start receiving messages.

Date	Time	Event	Location
1/26/2023	5:30 pm -9:00pm	GLBMA Casino & Euchre Night	The Great Hall - Midland
2/7/2023	11:30 am -1:30 pm	Culture Educational Program	Amigo Mobility - Bridgeport
2/22/2023	3:00 pm -4:00 pm	Quality SIG Meeting	Graphx Central, Inc. - Mt. Pleasant
2/27/2023	11:30 am -1:30 pm	Cybersecurity/ Insurance Event	The Great Hall - Midland

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Quality Special Interest Group (SIG) Meeting

February 22,2023 - Invite your Quality Staff/Plant Management to Attend

Join us to learn more about facilities management. Graphx Central has recently expanded and would like to share the discussion regarding planning, layout, and

equipment placement for expansions. Discussion will be led by Stacey Dysigner, who has an extensive facilities management background. Register to attend [here](#).

Young Manufacturing Mentor Program

The Young Mfg Mentor program is looking for high school and college students looking for a mentor

The Mentor program is a year round program that matches students 16 - 25 year old with a mentor in manufacturing. If you know of a student that could use a mentor to guide them or share the manufacturing community with them as a viable career option; reach out to Tanya in the GLBMA office at 989-964-2881 or email tlblehm@svsu.edu.

Students signed up prior to May will have the opportunity to join us at a Loon's game to celebrate the first year of the program.

Women in Manufacturing Special Interest Group (WIM) Events

Join us for one of our upcoming events

Rosie the Riveter Day - March 21, 2023 - 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm - Capitol Building, Heritage Hall, Lansing

Join us to celebrate women in manufacturing. Meet some of the original women that joined manufacturing during the war efforts and made a difference. A short program with meet and greet will be held in Heritage Hall at the capitol. Tours will be available and we will gather at the steps of the capitol for a historic photo. Refreshments will be served and the event is free to attend but we ask that you register to attend. We thank the sponsors of this event: PNC Bank, Peak Manufacturing, Duperon, Magliner, Lift, and the American Rosie the Riveter Association.

Download flyer [here](#).
Register to attend [here](#).

WIM Road Trip - May 5, 2023 - 7:00 am - 5:30 pm - See agenda below

The WIM is sponsoring a fun learning road trip. We will leave from SVSU and have a light breakfast on the bus as we make our way to **Detroit Denim** retail space. Where we will get a look at the ordering process for custom jeans. You will also have the opportunity to order a pair while on-site. Then we will take a short ride to the manufacturing plant to see how an order becomes a pair of jeans. Once, we are done with our tour we will take a short trip across town to **lift**. At lift we will enjoy lunch and a tour - Where Manufacturing Technology and Talent Matter. Once, we are done at lift. We will head across town to Greektown Casino for a couple of hours of gaming. At 3:00 pm, we will load the bus and return to SVSU.

If you would like to order a pair of custom jeans, please indicate so on the registration, so they have enough staff on hand to help gather your information. The

jeans start at \$185 a pair.

Friday, May 5, 2022

7:00 am Depart

9:00 am - 11:00 am Detroit Denim

11:30 am - 1:00 pm lift

1:15 pm - 3:00 pm Greektown Casino

5:30 pm Arrive back to SVSU

Cost is \$50 a person includes light breakfast, lunch, and tours. Payment must be made to obtain a seat. Space is limited to the first 45 people to sign up.

Register [here](#) to take a road trip with us.

Thank you to PNC Bank for sponsoring this special interest group.

WIM CEO Olympics - July

Are you game? We are! Join us for this first time event as you root on your favorite companies CEO. We will be hosted by the Great Lakes Safety Training Center in Midland for this event. This is an open event for anyone to attend. Ma's Kitchen Food Truck will be on site for food and beverage purchases. You may bring a snack of your own but this is a non-alcoholic event, please leave yours at home.

We are looking for a couple more contestants to participant in our bracket. If you would like to participate, please reach out to Tanya at the GLBMA office for details.

Tuesday, July 18, 2022

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Great Lakes Safety Training Center

1900 Ridgewood Dr. Midland, MI 48642

This event is free and open to anyone to root on their favorite Olympian.

Thank you to PNC Bank for sponsoring this special interest group.

Partner News

SVSU welcomes Dr. George Grant Jr as their Fifth President

On January 1, 2023, Dr. George Grant Jr. began his duties as the fifth president of Saginaw Valley State University. SVSU's Board of Control appointed Dr. Grant to serve as the institution's president following Donald Bachand's retirement announcement in 2022.



MMA and The Nature Conservancy to host Sustainable Best Practice Workshop Series

Steelcase will host the first workshop at its Grand Rapids facility on Wednesday, January 25, focusing on the path manufacturers can follow to secure key sustainability certifications. The discussion will address the advantages to becoming a certified sustainable manufacturer and the requirements for the leading sustainability certifications and how your company can achieve them.

Presenters:

- Maeve Trof, Carbon Strategy and Sustainability Customer Engagement Manager, Steelcase
- Mike Troupos, Vice President, Foresight Management
- John Havrilla, Director of Operations, American Center for Sustainable Certifications

All workshops are \$25 per person per workshop
Limited to the first 40 registrants

Certifiably Sustainable (click to register)

Wednesday, January 25
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Steelcase
901 44th St SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49508

[Additional workshops:](#)

Managing the Clean Energy Transition (click to register)

Thursday, February 23, 2023
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Consumers Energy
1945 W. Parnall Road, Jackson

Building a Sustainability Plan (click to register)

Thursday, April 20, 2022 (tentative)
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Hemlock Semiconductor
12334 Geddes Road, Hemlock

Michigan Safety Conference Registration now open

This in person event will take place April 18 -19, 2023 at the DeVos Place in Grand Rapids, MI. Complete details can be found by click the button below.

[Details and Registration here](#)

Timothy Crossen Jr. Named Principal at Yeo & Yeo

Yeo & Yeo is pleased to announce that [Timothy Crosson Jr., CPA](#), has been promoted to principal.

"Tim has excelled in providing professional services to our clients and is committed to helping them succeed. He is a great thinker and is always looking out for his team," says Dave Youngstrom, President & CEO. "We are proud to welcome him to the principal group."

[Read more](#)

Yeo & Yeo Unveils a New Brand Experience

Helping our clients thrive. At Yeo & Yeo, it is why we exist. With an unwavering commitment to our relationships, our above-and-beyond spirit, and our deep experience that creates new possibilities, we're excited to unveil our new, dynamic brand.



Through a long journey involving our team, clients, community partners, and beyond, we captured our authentic spirit. To experience the new Yeo & Yeo brand, we invite you to watch this [video](#) and visit yeoandyeo.com.

[Read more](#)

INTEGR8 Registration now open

The Fourth Industrial Revolution is redefining the way we work and live. Connected, intelligent and transformative, Industry 4.0 is empowering people and businesses across the globe. How will you harness its power? Automation Alley's Integr8 conference creates a space for collaboration, exploration and discovery as we tackle the social, economic and environmental



May 9, 2023

7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Novi, MI

challenges associated with Industry 4.0 and lay the foundations for the innovations of tomorrow.

Early Bird Registration ends
February 28, 2023.

3D Printer Pitch Competition

This day-long conference will focus on a software-first approach to advanced manufacturing that promotes agility, resiliency and efficiency.

LEARN MORE or **REGISTER**

MEP Supplier Scouting Opportunities

The following supplier opportunities are available through the MEP center. These are national MEP Center clients seeking domestic suppliers for the various items. Please contact Tanya Blehm for complete details on how to submit a Supplier Scouting form. Tanya can be reached at tblehm@svsu.edu or 989-964-2881.

Current Opportunities:

Opportunity: 2023-001 Water Purification Silos and Tanks closes Feb. 6
Submitted by International Trade Administration

Opportunity: 2023-002 Food Storage Container Sealing Ring and Air Valve
closes Feb. 6
Submitted by FloridaMakes (Florida MEP)

Opportunity: 2023-003 Static Dilutor and Can Cleaner Upgrade closes Feb. 6
Submitted by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Opportunity: 2023-004 Level 2 EV Charger closes Jan. 5, 2024
Submitted by EPA

Opportunity: 2023-005 DC Fast Charger closes Jan. 5, 2024
Submitted by EPA

Opportunity: 2023-006 Compact Dual Channel Titanium Temp and Depth Recorders
closes Jan. 20.
Submitted by EPA

Opportunity: 2023-007 Pluggable Optic Modules closes Feb. 9.
Submitted by National Telecommunications and Information Agency (NTIA)

Opportunity: 2023-008 Aggregation Routers closes Feb. 9.
Submitted by NTIA

Sign Up for more Supplier Opportunities - Michigan CONNEX program

We welcome your company updates and events but ask that they be ready to cut and paste to ensure that data transfer is correct and no errors occur. The GLBMA policy is to share items that align with manufacturing in our newsletter. The GLBMA reserves the right to correct any

grammatical errors prior to publishing. The GLBMA reserves additional emails for events, partners, state initiatives, and MFG Champions*. The GLBMA does not share or publish our contact list, event list, or email list. If you would like to submit something for consideration, please send it to tblehm@svsu.edu. The GLBMA reserves the right to use submissions and edit for grammar or punctuation for clarification. **The GLBMA newsletter is published about the 15th of each month, items must be received no later than the 10th of the month.** Thank you.

*MFG Champions are allowed one email per year; please call 989-964-2881 for more details.

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