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Mid-West Fastener Association



EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION & CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS UNDERWAY

The MWFA held their 35th awarding of MWFA scholarships. To date they have awarded \$723,000 in scholarships. It is mainly the MWFA shows and membership donations, which provide the funds for this outstanding program. MWFA takes it's motto: *"Where education is a priority"* very seriously.



Jeff Joniak, play-by-play announcer for the Chicago Bears was the guest speaker at the Scholarship Awards. His passion for the game and for the Bears is linked to a 33-year association with Chicago

sports fans, 22 of those years with the Chicago Bears broadcast team. In addition to hosting the Chicago Bears game day broadcasts since 1997, Jeff serves as WBBM News radio 780 and 105.9 FM's Director of Sports Operations and weekday afternoon sports anchor. He also co-hosts "Bears All-Access" on WSCR-670 with former Chicago Bear Tom Thayer, and the "Bears Coaches Show" featuring head coach Matt Nagy and his staff during the football season on Monday nights on WBBM.

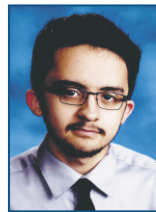
Jeff spoke to the students relating his college years and challenges of deciding what he really wanted to do. Teachers didn't always encourage him, to pursue his dream of sports announcing but he never gave up. He offered wise advice; do homework-you have to do homework in every aspect of life, stay humble, take writing classes-you need to be able to

communicate the written word, get involved in college-every experience will help. He hopes teachers are honest with students, they are being paid to get students ready for the work place. Don't let anyone tell you that you can't do something. Don't quit, don't give up, chase your dreams.

MWFA is grateful to all scholarship donors especially those choosing to award a named scholarship.

Congratulations to our recent scholarship winners:

\$1,500 Scholarship Awards



Joel Serna-son of Sonia Serna of Beacon Fasteners & Components. Joel is currently a college freshman at Harper College. His goal is to study Computer Science and pursue a career in

Information Technology.



Emily Hayman-daughter of Andy Hayman of EmCo Engineered, Inc. Emily is a college freshman at Valparaiso University. Emily is leaning towards a business degree with hopes of going on for her master's degree.



Angel Salas-son of Monica Salas of Star Stainless Screw Co. Angel is a college freshman at Dominican University with plans to become a History teacher.



Nicholas Senase-employee of Innovative Components Inc. Nicholas attends Harper College working towards the certificate programs for Office Assistant and Administrative Assistant.

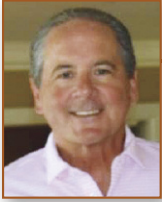
Nicholas began working at Innovative as an intern, through the Harper job placement program and is now employed full time by Innovative.



Zaria Daniel-daughter of Michael Brooks of Liberty Fastener and Joan Brooks of DLP Coatings. Zaria is a High School senior who plans to get a bachelor's degree in health sciences to assist her in

pursuing a career in Neonatal Nursing.

PRESIDENT'S NOTE



**Wayne Wishnew/
XL Screw Corp.**

Welcome to 2019. My wishes to our outstanding members, your families and the entire Fastener Industry

for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. I'm amazed how quickly my first year as MWFA President moved along. During my time as your President, this past year, I was reminded of the countless outstanding and generous people associated with our great organization. I learned so much from all of you and enjoyed meeting many of you for the first time. I am even more motivated to do as much as I can to continue to help execute our mission to promote networking and educational opportunities for our members.

I would like to thank our 2018 Board of Directors. They are the people that do the work. They are so selfless, generous with their personal time and dedicated to the MWFA. Their behind the scenes efforts drive the MWFA to be the very best association in the Fastener Industry. You have all made my job as President very fulfilling. I also want to thank the Board for your confidence and for electing me as President for 2019. I am grateful and honored.

Nancy Rich, Executive Director of the MWFA, I would like to personally thank you for making my job easier and making me look good. (not an easy task) You are the true foundation of our association. I have seen your, tireless work on nights and weekends and your passion and dedication to the MWFA first hand. You are so important to the success and growth of the MWFA. A huge thanks from all of us.

There are a few people the MWFA really needs to recognize for their dedication to the MWFA, the betterment of the

association and our industry and their drive and passion for the MWFA during their many years as members of the Association.

Outgoing Board of Directors: Jeff Adams, Bob O'Brien and Mike Henry. I've enjoyed your friendship and working with you all. On behalf of the entire MWFA, thank you for everything you have done for us.

There are two outstanding and dedicated people retiring this year. Jim "Big Papa" Kelam of Sems and Specials and Brian Christianson of South Holland Metal Finishing. Thank you for all of your time and effort given to the MWFA. Without your support and generosity, the MWFA would not be the organization we are today. It has been my honor to work with you. We all wish you a happy and healthy future. Please come back and see us once in a while.

I would also like to welcome two new members to the MWFA Board of Directors. Pam Cicero of Delta Secondary and Tabitha Herbst of Central Wire. I look forward to working with them and I'm excited about the talents they will bring to the Board.

The MWFA had a fun filled and educational 2018. The Board put together so many outstanding events. I have only enough space to mention a few. Our 35th Scholarship Awards dinner was a huge success. Jeff Joniak of WBBM radio and Bears play by play announcer was our speaker. He is a great speaker and gave our students some motivating and sound advice for their future. Thanks to all of our so very generous member companies, we were able to award \$50,000 in scholarships to quite a few deserving students. We couldn't do it without the support of our members.

Our annual Holiday Party was bigger and better than ever. Again our generous members supported Toys for Tots with many, many toys and cash. The main focus of this event is to help children. You have done that. New this year was a Casino. The

tables were crowded and I could hear what a great time was had by all. The Casino was a smashing success.

I'm excited about our calendar for 2019. We have a Wolves hockey game coming up in January, a Dinner meeting with the Metal Finishers in February, Joint meeting with NFDA and Pac-West in San Diego in March. Fastener Tech will be June 3rd to June 5th. Please don't miss out on our new ideas for the show. If you have not registered yet, do it today, (registration info inside this newsletter). Of course, the very popular and also the largest golf outing in the industry will be held June 6th. Register early as this one fills up quickly.

Our outstanding educational programs begin with Fascination with Fasteners. This is an outstanding opportunity for new and seasoned members to gain fastener knowledge. The program will be held on March 21st. Sign up early as this is a popular and well attended program. We have our Print Reading class on May 16th. On October 16th we will have another educational class with topic to be announced. We have such dedicated and very knowledgeable instructors you won't want to miss the opportunity of making your staff better educated about fasteners and learning from these experienced people.

We have many wonderful and fun opportunities planned for the year. Please see our calendar.

In closing, I would like to thank each and everyone of you for everything you do in keeping the MWFA as the greatest association in the industry. I ask that you never hesitate to contact me, the Board or Nancy if you have suggestions or ideas for new programs to strengthen our already strong Association.

I look forward to working with you and seeing you this coming year.

*My sincere thanks,
Wayne Wishnew*

MWFA ANNOUNCES 2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Paula Evitts

MWFA MAILBOX



Dear MWFA Board of Directors and Scholarship Committee,

I am truly honored to be the recipient of the Ed Lacerra Memorial Scholarship. My ultimate goal in life is to spread joy to others and through your generosity, I can begin to accomplish this goal by obtaining my Bachelor's Degree in Nursing at Viterbo University. I hope to work at a children's hospital one day and this scholarship will go a long way in helping me stay focused on my academics so that I may achieve my goals.

I am very appreciative of the giving spirit of the Mid-West Fastener Association that allows students like me to further their education. Thank you so very much.

*With gratitude,
Ryleigh Debroux*

Thank you so much for honoring me with this prestigious scholarship! This scholarship is truly a blessing. MWFA scholarships are great investments in the life of students heading to college and those students will return their blessing of higher education to their community in the future. Thank you again for this scholarship! I wish God's blessing on MWFA. MWFA does an amazing thing by having scholarships available. Thank you!

Savannah Vesce

I wanted to take a moment to extend my gratitude to you and the MWFA for the scholarship I have recently been awarded. When I received my confirmation letter, I was absolutely elated. This money will be very helpful in paying for my schooling. It is much needed! Thank you!

Cameron Krueger

I am greatly thankful that the Mid-West Fastener Association took the time to look over my application and decide to award me with a scholarship. The money from this award will certainly help with my college tuition. Thank you all very much!

*Best Regards,
Joel Serna*

Dear Mid-West Fastener Association,
My name is Moreen Maloney the daughter of Gail Maloney that works at Metric & Multistandard Components Corporation. I am sincerely honored to have the opportunity to be selected as one of the recipients for the Alfa Tools scholarship. It means so much to me to be selected as it will help me pursue my master's degree in social work.

Thank you again for your generosity and thoughtful gift.

*Sincerely,
Moreen Maloney*

I am writing to you to thank you for awarding me the Mid-West Fastener Association Scholarship. I am very excited to be the recipient of this award. The financial assistance will help me continue my studies at Harper College where I am taking classes to become an office assistant/administrative assistant while working at Innovative Components. I am grateful for the many people who have helped me at work and with my educational goals. Specifically, I am very grateful to you and the committee for the scholarship.

*Thank you again,
Nicholas Senase*

Dear MWFA,

I am sincerely honored to have been selected as a recipient of the Mid-West Fastener Association Scholarship. I generously thank Liberty Fastener for allowing me to represent their membership and dedication to MWFA. Receiving this award allows me to take a step further towards the future of my education. Thank you for the confidence and willingness to help me achieve my educational goals.

*Sincerely,
Zaria D. Daniel*

I was pleasantly surprised and happy to find out I was a recipient of your scholarship. I am currently in my freshman year at Notre Dame College in South Euclid, Ohio nursing a nursing degree. Although I would love to be able to attend the award banquet, my college schedule doesn't permit me to. Please pass along my thanks and appreciation to the committee and all those who support the scholarship award.

*Sincerely,
Kayla Radel*

Dear MWFA,

I am writing to thank you for your generous \$2,000 MWFA Scholarship. I was very happy and appreciate to learn that I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship. By awarding me this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community.

*Sincerely,
Madeline Bartusch*

Dear MWFA,

Thank you so much for awarding me the Richard S. Piskoty Memorial Scholarship! I am sincerely grateful and honored to have been selected to receive this scholarship. I appreciate all the time and effort you spent reading the applications and organizing the dinner event. Your generous scholarship will be extremely helpful in allowing me to pursue a college education. Your support has strengthened my enthusiasm to give back to my community, to work hard, and to help others. Thank you again!

*Sincerely,
Alisa Wang*

To all members of the MWFA,

Thank you so much for granting me with the \$2,000 Morgan O'Hare Scholarship. It is such an honor to be chosen! This scholarship will help me tremendously as I continue my education in becoming an elementary school teacher. I truly appreciate your support and generosity and I cannot wait to see what the future holds for me.

*Sincerely,
Kaitlyn Strieter*

Dear Midwest Fastener Association,

I am truly grateful for the scholarship that you have awarded me. It is an amazing gift that will help me immensely with college. Throughout my college endeavors, I will make certain this scholarship is not squandered. I am inspired by your confidence in me and will put forth my best efforts. After college, I hope to have used this scholarship to its fullest by using my gifts to help others and to give back to society that has blessed me so much. I hope to someday be in a position that I can help a student, as you have helped me. I cannot express my gratitude enough. Thank you.

*Yours truly,
Lucas Jackson*

Dear Midwest Fastener Association,

I am deeply honored to receive a scholarship to continue my education. Your generous award has almost completely paid for this semester where I will be taking a class on qualitative research methodologies and the politics of education. I appreciate your core value of continued education as it is near and dear to my educator's heart. It is organizations such as yours that truly benefit the entire community.

*Thank you again,
Mary Anne Cline*

TARIFF UPDATE

With tariffs being up in the air for the past year, another development has occurred. On Trade, President Trump has agreed that on January 1, 2019, he will leave the tariffs on \$200 billion worth of product at the 10% rate, and not raise it to 25% at this time. China will agree to purchase a not yet agreed upon, but very substantial, amount of agricultural, energy, industrial, and other product from the United States to reduce the trade

imbalance between our two countries. China has agreed to start purchasing agricultural product from our farmers immediately.

President Trump and President Xi have agreed to immediately begin negotiations on structural changes with respect to forced technology transfer, intellectual property protection, non-tariff barriers, cyber intrusions and cyber theft, services and agriculture. Both parties agree that

they will endeavor to have this transaction completed within the next 90 days. If at the end of this period of time, the parties are unable to reach an agreement, the 10% tariffs will be raised to 25%.

MWFA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

AF-LAC/Chicago, IL

Electronic Mechanical Plating Co./Cicero, IL

Formed Fastener/Bridgeview, IL

**FASTENER
TECH™ '19**

June 4th & 5th, 2019

**Registration Form and
Floor Plan located on
pages 10 & 11**

2019 CALENDAR

Jan. 16	Chicago Wolves Hockey Game Allstate Arena/Rosemont, IL
Feb. 21	Dinner Meeting with Northwest Chapter of Chicago Metal Finishers Belvedere Banquets/Elk Grove, IL
March 13-16	Joint Meeting MWFA/Pac-West/NFDA Omni San Diego, San Diego, CA
March 21	Education /Fascination with Fasteners Elk Grove, IL
April 11	Dinner Meeting
May 16	Education/Print Reading
June 3rd-5th	Fastener Tech Donald E. Stephens Convention Center/Rosemont, IL
June 6th	Golf Outing Chevy Chase Golf Club/Wheeling, IL
August 19-23	Fastener Training Week Belvedere Banquets/Elk Grove, IL
August 22	MWFA Mixer
October 17	Education Program and Dinner Meeting
November 7	Scholarship and Elections Meeting
December 12	Holiday Party



*The MWFA Board of Directors wishes all our
members and their families and Happy and
Healthy New Year!!*

May the fastener industry prosper well in 2019!!!

NEW PRODUCT DISPLAY, AFTER PARTY, BREAKFAST KEYNOTE & SEMINARS

December 2019, Akron, OH, USA. FASTENER TECH™ '19, the seventh staging of "The All-Fastener-Industry Event in the Heart-of-the-Fastener Industry", is pleased to announce several new features:

- "New Product Display" at the entrance to the show.
- "After Party" for exhibitors, including a live band, food, beverages and networking
- "Breakfast Keynote" with speaker William Strauss from the Chicago Federal Reserve.
- "Educational Seminars", including the following preliminary list:
 - Why Fasteners Fail
 - Threaded Inserts and
 - Compression Limiters for Plastic Assemblies
 - ICC-ES Evaluation Reports – Paving the Road to Product Acceptance

FASTENER TECH™ '19 is scheduled to take place in Rosemont (Chicago), IL, USA, June 3 to 5, 2019 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center. FASTENER TECH™ '19 will offers attendees and exhibitors a valuable, cost-effective and easy-to-attend event that provides benefits to fastener manufacturers, distributors, users and suppliers. FASTENER TECH™ is a biennial event, and once again in 2019 it will be co-located with SUR/FIN®, the annual conference and exhibition for surface finishing professionals, which is organized by the National Association for Surface Finishing, Washington, DC, USA, www.nasf.org.

In addition to the above, FASTENER TECH '19 will feature an exhibition and opening reception. As a trade event, FASTENER TECH™ '19 will be unique on several fronts, including the following: the relatively low-cost and ease-of-exhibiting at and attending the show, the all-industry focus, the heart-of-the-industry location, and a high level of participation from fastener industry associations.

FASTENER TECH™ '19 is being produced by Fastener Technology International magazine, Akron, OH, USA, and the Mid-West Fastener Association (MWFA), Lake Zurich, IL, USA. The most recent FASTENER TECH™ was held in June 2017, also at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont (Chicago), IL, USA, and

it provided its visitors with direct supplier access, networking opportunities, business intelligence, social programming and technical education related to making, distributing and using all types of mechanical fasteners. In addition, the 2017 event included the debut edition of the Fastener Industry Summit, which was organized by the Fastener Industry Coalition (FIC), www.fastenercoalition.org. This year, the FIC will sponsor the keynote speaker session.

Fastener Technology International (FTI) is a bimonthly international technical magazine for manufacturers, distributors and users of all types of fasteners. The print edition is delivered to thousands of subscribers in more than 90 countries, and the digital edition is available around-the-clock at www.fastenertech.com. Additional publications include a monthly newsletter, the Fastener News Report, and the annual FTI Buyers' Guide.

FASTENER TECH™ '19

The Mid-West Fastener Association (MWFA) has been representing and serving all segments of the fastener industry for more than half-a century. MWFA members include fastener manufacturers, distributors, importers and industry suppliers. **Details are available at www.mwfa.net.**

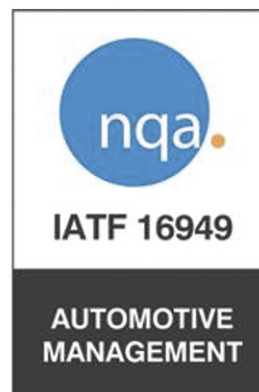
Additional FASTENER TECH™ details and a flipbook edition of the "2017 Exhibition Directory" are available at: www.fastenertech.com/fastenertech.asp.

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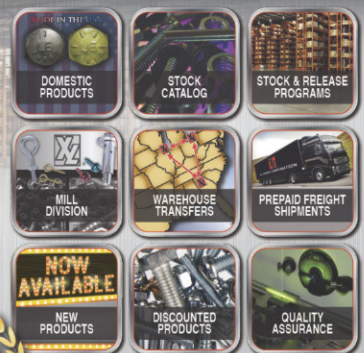
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MWFA AWARDS NEARLY \$50,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS



Savannah Vesci-daughter of Tiffani Vesci of Hi-Tech Fastener. Savannah is a high school senior preparing to continue her education to become a Wisconsin

Evangelical Lutheran Synod English teacher. Her love of animals has allowed her to also start her own animal rescue.



Tyler Clark-employee of SWD Inc. Chaz has an ME degree and is furthering his education. He is working to pursue his Masters Degree in Data Science. Ever since his first venture with Microsoft database in

2002 he has dealt with data from logging calls to data analysis for Toyota to fixing problems from the engineer's point of view.

Dillan Simpson-employee of SWD Inc. Dillan is pursuing his Bachelor of Science in Computer Science at Elmhurst College. He began at SWD as an intern and now is employed by SWD. Next fall he will begin to pursue a Master Degree in Data Science. He hopes to become a software architect.



Kayla Radel-daughter of John Radel of Solution Industries. Kayla is a college freshman working towards a career as either a neonatal or pediatric nurse. Having gone through surgeries, hospital

stays and many doctor appointments she has a strong desire to give children hope that miracles do happen.

Andrew Montoya-son of Ramiro Montoya of SWD Inc. Andrew is a college freshman at Purdue where he is working to become a Pharmaceutical Scientist. Overcoming obstacles has made him more determined to succeed.

This year MWFA extended a special thank you to XL Screw for donating a scholarship for the 20th year. We are very fortunate to have given out over \$50,000 in the name of XL Screw Corp.

One of the largest scholarships awarded was donated by XL Screw Corporation. XL also contributes scholarship donations to many of the other associations, as well. Bob Sachs stresses the importance of education and he proves it, with his donations to so many scholarship funds.

XL Screw Corp. was one of the 1st pioneers of importing fasteners. The fastener industry may not have been the same today, if not for XL's pioneering days of working diligently with import suppliers, decades ago.

Bob Sach's, owner of XL, stresses the importance of education and he proves it, with his donations to so many scholarship funds.

The original idea of a scholarship program came out of XL Screw & has had amazing growth. Many students have benefited from this program since its inception.

Congratulations to XL Screw Corp. for 20 years of philanthropy.

The following additional scholarships were awarded:

\$4,500 XL Screw Corp. Scholarship

(Donated by XL Screw Corp.)



Lucas Jackson, son of Paul and Debbie Jackson of South Holland Metal Finishing. Lucas is a High School senior looking forward to pursuing Engineering in college.

While in H.S. he has been a High Honor Roll student as well as on the National Honor Society.

\$4,500 Richard S. Piskoty Memorial Scholarship

(Donated by Clarcorp Industrial Sales)

The Richard S. Piskoty Memorial Scholarship has been donated by Clarcorp. Richard Piskoty's life led him in many directions and every path he took he made an impact on the people around him. The lives he touched along the way ranged from the kids he taught and coached to the salespeople that worked for him. It is because of his devotion to his family, dedication to his career, and desire to pass

on and give back to others that this scholarship is dedicated.



This scholarship was awarded to **Alisa Wang**, daughter of Zheng Wang of Abbott Interfast Corp. Alisa is a High School senior planning to pursue interests in technology, research and business

through her college education. Alisa has won several awards in the computer field as well as started a volunteer organization helping low-income senior citizens and the disabled with technology programs.

\$4,000 Raul Torres Memorial Scholarship

(Donated by Star Stainless Screw & Fall River Mfg.)

Raul passed away after spending 50 years in the fastener industry. He was a gentleman who mentored many. Raul spent several years on the MWFA Scholarship Committee. We thank Star and Fall River for initiating the Raul Torres Memorial Scholarship fund. Because of their generosity, this scholarship will continue.



Mary Anne Cline, wife of Nathan Cline of Clarcorp Industrial Sales. Mary is currently the principal at Gifford School in Wisconsin. She is pursuing her doctorate with a goal of continuing her journey

towards distributed leadership and to build personal capacity in system thinking.

\$4,000 Ed Lacerra Memorial Scholarships

(Donated by Ed Lacerra family and friends)

Sadly we lost Ed last year to an awful disease. Ed spent many years in the fastener industry. Ed never met someone he didn't remember after his first meeting. He was very passionate about educating in the fastener industry and therefore spent several years on the MWFA Fastener Committee.

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Olamide Adejola-wife of Rotimi Adejola, an employee of Innovative Components, Inc. Olamide has been going to school to complete her Bachelor of Science in nursing degree.

Following next spring's graduation she will continue on to obtain her Masters in nursing. Olamide plans to broaden her knowledge and skill competencies to protect and promote human health.



Ryleigh Debroux

daughter of Patti Debroux of RCS Packaging. Ryleigh is attending Viterbo University pursuing her Nursing degree. She is currently a Certified

Nursing Assistant. Ryleigh is looking forward to a position at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin where she can help children get back to their healthy selves and live a happy playful childhood.

\$2,500 Brighton-Best International Scholarship

(Donated by Brighton-Best Int'l)



Madeline Bartusch,

daughter of Cathie Bartusch of XL Screw Corp. Madeline is freshman at Loyola University pursuing a degree in Marketing and double major with a second degree in Advertisement

and PR. Her involvement in activities, sports and work has taught her balance and how to take the initiative to change a problem.

\$2,000 Robbie & Gina Gilchrist Scholarship

(Donated by Robbie & Gina Gilchrist)

Robbie & Gina Gilchrist have extended scholarship opportunities throughout the fastener industry. They have been generous enough to award this scholarship personally for many years. We are honored that they have chosen a MWFA student for one of their scholarships.



Justin Leith son of Kim Leith of Stelfast Inc. Justin attends McHenry County College working towards his goal of obtaining a degree in Engineering. He would like to specify his education to astrophysics.

This decision is based on his love for invention of ideas and using creativity to craft something effective out of nothing. Justin sees life as mountains and he plans to reach the peak of every life mountain he encounters.

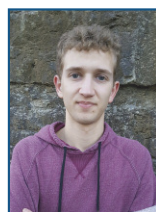
\$2,000 Martin R. Binder Memorial Scholarship in honor of Abbott-Interfast's 70th Anniversary

(Donated by Abbott-Interfast Corp.)

John Insinga-son of Leigh Ann Sherow of ND Industries. John is a freshman at Ramapo College where he is studying Finance and plans to ultimately work on Wall Street. He took several college level accounting courses while in H.S. For many years he has had interest in business and specifically the stock market.

2,000 SWD Inc. Scholarship

(Donated by SWD Inc.)



Cameron Krueger, son of Reid Krueger of EFC Int'l. Cameron currently attends Truman State University where he is studying Computer Science. He is also considering adding an electrical engineering

degree after he completes his Computer Science requirements. He hopes to become a Computational Research Scientist. An opportunity for him to participate in a project in the IT Department at EFC allowed him an exceptional experience leading him to his career choice.

\$2,000 Morgan Ohare Scholarship

(Donated by Morgan Ohare)



Kaitlyn Strieter,

daughter of Vicki Strieter of Global Fastener and Supply. Kaitlyn is a High School senior. In college she plans to major in Elementary Education as well as minor in either Early Childhood Education, Special Education, or Spanish. Her experience of teaching dance classes and an internship at Elmwood Elementary has awarded her the opportunity to confirm her passion she has for teaching.

\$2,000 Diljit S. Ahluwalia Memorial Scholarship



Moreen Maloney,

daughter of Gail Maloney of Metric & Multistandard Components Corp. Moreen is attending Aurora University pursuing her master's degree in Social Work. For the last two

years she has worked at a school that serves students who have a developmental and/or physical disability. This experience has made her realize her passion lies in helping individuals who are less privileged.

Two years ago we awarded a \$6,000 South Holland Metal Finishing/Brian Christianson Scholarship

(Donated by South Holland Metal Finishing).

This scholarship is being given over the course of 4 years with \$1,500 awarded each year. **Alexander Nickens**- of Liberty Fastener was the recipient of that scholarship. *Thank you to South Holland Metal Finishing.*

*Thank you to all our scholarship donors.
We appreciate all donors and especially
appreciate members donating a named
scholarship allow us to award some larger
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FASTENER TECH '19 EXHIBIT APPLICATION AND CONTRACT

DATE: _____

The undersigned (hereinafter called the Exhibitor) hereby applies for space in the FASTENER TECH '19 Exhibition scheduled for **June 3-5, 2019** at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont (Chicago), IL USA. The Exhibitor understands that this becomes a valid contract when accompanied by the exhibit fee (shown below) and upon the receipt of FASTENER TECH '19's acceptance of the application. Furthermore, the Exhibitor acknowledges receipt of and agrees to exhibit under and comply with the rules and regulations printed on the second and third pages of this contract.

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EXHIBIT SPACE SELECTION & FEES (includes carpet, table, two chairs, waste can, pipe & drape, sign, 2 exhibitor badges per booth, attendee passes and exhibitor lunch). Early Bird Prices until 12/31/2018.

_____ 10'x10' unit: \$2000 **Table Size Requested:** 4ft ☐ 6ft ☐ 8ft ☐

_____ 10'x20' unit: \$4000 **Table Size Requested:** 4ft ☐ 6ft ☐ 8ft ☐

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_____ Electrical Outlets, \$250 each (on site electric order \$300) Upgrade to counter table and stools \$100 _____

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BOOTH SELECTION: FIRST CHOICE: _____ SECOND CHOICE: _____ THIRD CHOICE: _____

For Current Floor Plan: www.fastenertech.com or www.mwfa.net

COMPETITORS NOT TO BE LOCATED NEAR: _____

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NAME & SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE PARTY: _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT: MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO FASTENER TECH '19, AND MAIL WITH APPLICATION TO
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CREDIT CARD: ☐ VISA ☐ MC ☐ AMEX

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NAME ON CARD: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

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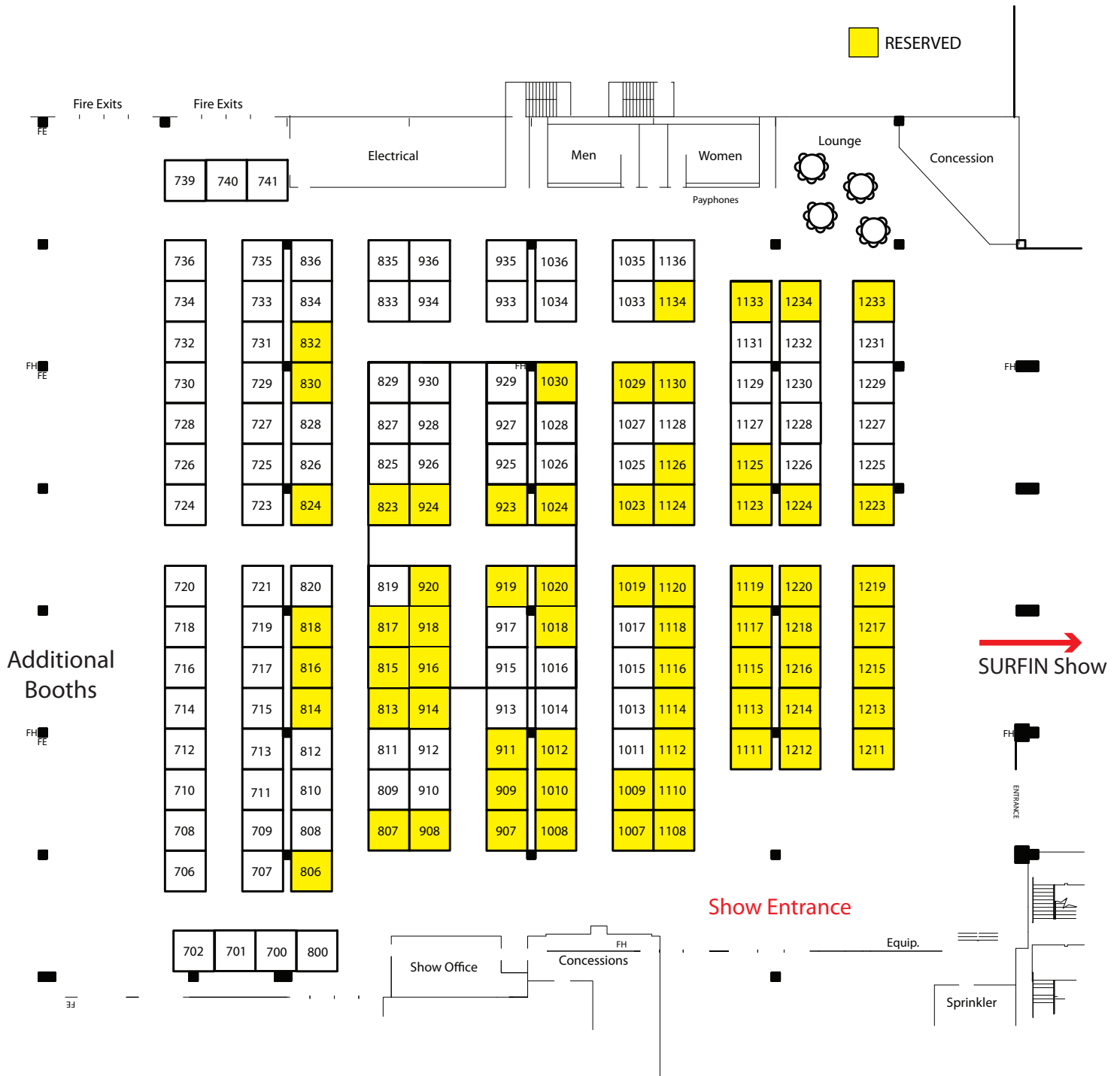
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Intercorp Releases New Product and Submittal Catalogs



ORANGE, CALIFORNIA -- Intercorp, an importer and master distributor of professional-grade construction fasteners under the Strong-Point® and Strongcon® brands, is pleased to announce the release of their new product and submittal catalogs.

"Our product and submittal catalogs have been updated with over 40 new product offerings," said Director of Marketing, David Harlan. "These two comprehensive catalogs, with over 700 available fasteners, give distributors, architects, engineers, specifiers, and contractors the tools they need to complete their projects from start to finish with confidence. We're excited about the value, information and project solutions these catalogs will bring to construction professionals throughout our industry."

To download the new product catalog, visit: <http://www.intercorpusa.com/home/download-catalog/>

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About Intercorp

Founded in 1988, Intercorp has established itself as an industry leader in the fastener distribution business. Their flagship brand, Strong-Point, is sold by thousands of distributors to construction professionals throughout the United States. The brand consists of a variety of professional-grade fasteners including: Self-Drilling, Needle Point, Woodworking, Stainless Steel, Drywall, Post Frame, Outdoor, Concrete, and Cement Board screws. With an outstanding reputation for customer service, quick delivery, and superior support for the distribution channel, Intercorp is unmatched when it comes to high-quality fasteners.

EFC International Introduces Innovative Fastening Solution For Utility Poles

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI – January 8, 2019.

EFC International, a leading supplier of engineered fasteners, is pleased to announce the approval of Sherex Fastening Solution's Large Size rivet nuts for use in steel utility poles by a leading energy company. The approval is in accordance with Specification for Tubular Steel Pole Transmission Line Structures SES-PD-027. The specification covers the minimum requirements for the design, drawings, material, fabrication, welding, coating, inspection, and delivery of tubular steel pole structures.

Sherex Large Size rivet nuts eliminate the welding process and reduce the number of components for installation. They also allow for a safer, one-handed installation of the step bolts in the field. "This is a significant cost savings for pole and tower manufacturers and we are excited to bring this product to the market," states Paul Musgrove, Industrial and Distribution Sales Manager.



These rivet nuts exceed application performance and safety requirements including maximum retention in fiberglass material and increased spin out resistance for pole structures. This innovative rivet nut will serve other industries including Automotive, Truck, Ag, Heavy Equipment, Rail, and HVAC. EFC is a strategic partner into these industries for Sherex and this partnership ensures customers receive the high-quality service they have come to expect.

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HOLIDAY PARTY-BIGGER AND BETTER

The MWFA continues to hold great Holiday Parties!! The 2018 party was bigger and better than ever while still focusing on less privileged children. Toys for Tots was the main focus of the event with more toys than fit in Santa's sled collected and nearly \$2,000 in cash collected for additional toy purchases by the U.S. Marines for their Toys for Tots program. Food and drinks were great but the joy of giving to Toys for Tots and association members getting together were the highlights of the evening

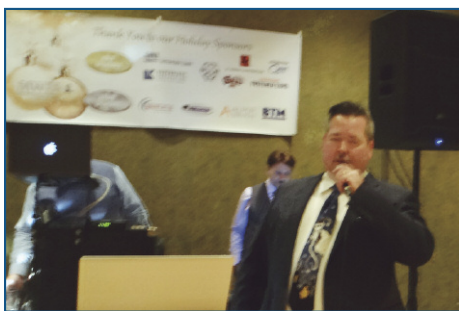
The industry celebrated the holidays with something for everyone. Music That Moves provided fun music for listening and dancing pleasure as well as karaoke. Attendees enjoyed the singing talent among the group. Santa was there to visit and take photos, with guests, at the Photo Booth. The social media kiosk was quite popular.

And new at this party was a casino giving attendees the opportunity to play The Money Wheel, Craps, Roulette and Black Jack. Tables were crowded all evening while attendee enjoyed their free play money!! Once done playing, those who had money left traded it in for tickets to win their choice of several prizes. It was definitely an evening of plenty of food, beverages, entertainment and networking!

This year's holiday party is scheduled for December 12th. So as we move into 2019 - Happy New Year!! Remember, it's never too early to start shopping for your toys for Toys for Tots to be collected at December's Holiday Party!

Thank you to Emerald Expo for donating a 3 night stay at Mandalay Bay for the IFE show in September.

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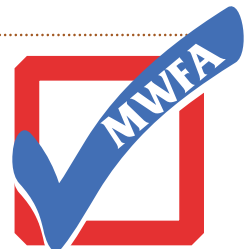
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