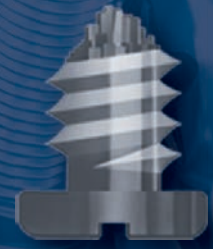


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FSTNR Week '24

AUGUST 18-21, 2024



THE BEST WEEK IN THE INDUSTRY

MWFA is thrilled to announce FSTNR Week taking place from **August 18th to August 21st, 2024**. This event continues to serve as a pivotal week for the fastener industry, fostering numerous opportunities for collaboration and growth. This year, all events will be held at the prestigious Lincolnshire Marriott Resort in Lincolnshire, IL. This venue offers attendees the convenience of staying on-site for all events, reducing travel time, and enhancing networking opportunities. Located just 18 miles from O'Hare International Airport, the resort boasts a range of amenities including multiple dining options, indoor and outdoor pools, a gym,

spa, theater, and more.

Sunday, August 18th - The MWFA once again partners with **Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)** for a charitable event at Marriott Lincolnshire north parking lot. SHP collaborates with groups and communities to build beds for children in need who lack their own.

Monday, August 19th - featuring **Plant Tours** across the Chicago area, providing attendees with the chance to explore various companies and their operations. A detailed schedule for each company tour is provided, on line, to assist in planning the day. Any company is welcome to host a plant tour but we encourage you to get in touch with us ASAP as allocation is filling up fast, for what promises to be a great day of tours!

If you'd like to be on the plant tour schedule for August 19th, contact Francesca Lewis at mwfa@mwfa.net. You select the hours you'd like to allow industry friends to stop by. We will ask for registrations but they are not required. Visitors must adhere to the published schedule.

The social festivities begin on Monday night (August 19th) with the **MWFA Welcome Mixer**. »»

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Jake Davis

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Greetings MWFA Family! It has been a busy and successful 2024 so far and on behalf of the entire MWFA Board of Directors, thank you for your continued support of our association. I know all of us are looking forward to what lies ahead in the coming months!

I hope most of you were in attendance at White Pines for our Spring golf outing, the Screwed Up Open. We had a record setting number of golfers and all of us were blessed with a beautiful spring day filled with sunshine and a few cicadas. Heck, we even celebrated Wayne Wishnew's birthday (his age has been redacted) before we headed

out on the course. Our "Nut & Brews" event at Elmhurst Brewing Company was the perfect way to end our day together.

Now, let us turn our attention to our main event of 2024, FSTNR Week, August 18-21, 2024. The board of directors has worked so hard putting this week together. We are all excited to be back at the Marriott Resort in Lincolnshire for our event.

If you will indulge me... as a member of the Rugged Nuts community, I want to personally invite you to join me in the "unofficial" start of FSTNR week. Although we are bummed that we won't be participating in a Rugged Maniac obstacle race, we are excited and thrilled to be gathering in Skokie for a 5K Distillery Run. Come run/walk with all of your fastener friends! It is a day you will not forget anytime soon. If you are interested in signing up, feel free to contact Bobby

Wegner or myself.

When I look at everything that we have scheduled for our MWFA FSTNR week, my only advice is this: **It's a marathon, not a sprint people!** From community service, education, fastener show, golf, networking and plant tours, what more could a person want? This week presents excellent opportunities for both distributors and suppliers. I hope all of you will make note of what the MWFA has planned for FSTNR 2024 Week and schedule some time to be present with our wonderful industry friends.

I wish you all the best and continued success. I look forward to catching up with all of you in August, and remember, we couldn't do it without your ongoing support of the MWFA! ■

God Bless,

Jake

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MWFA would like to welcome the following new members to the Association, we thank you for your support.

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- » Industrial Steel, Jackson, MI
- » NOF Metal, New Hudson, MI
- » Trusort Fastening Service, Posen, IL
- » Volt Industrial Plastics, Yellville, AR ■



On **Tuesday morning, August 20th**, a **Fastener Failure Seminar** will be conducted by Sean Collis Quality & Special Projects Manager - Michigan Metal Coatings & Darlene Collis, Vice President, Quality - Lindfast Solutions Group LSG. This is a seminar that will provide value to everyone!

In the afternoon, the **42nd MWFA Fastener Show** will take place in a Tabletop format, facilitating easy and cost-effective exhibits. Fastener suppliers are cordially invited to showcase their products and services at the one-day Tabletop Show, a highlight of FSTNR Week.

This event provides suppliers from across the country with a prime opportunity to exhibit their products at the heart of the fastener industry. Attendees can capitalize on this platform

to showcase their products, forge new supplier connections, reconnect with industry peers, and explore innovations and their applications. The show will feature suppliers of fasteners, secondary services, heat treating, plating, and other services relevant to the fastener industry.

Following the Tabletop Show, attendees can look forward to the **Game On! Fastener Bash** with an exciting sports theme. Whether you're into basketball, football, soccer, or any other sport, wear your sports gear and enthusiasm for a chance to win prizes and enjoy a memorable evening of networking and entertainment.

On **Wednesday, August 21st**, the **71st MWFA Golf Outing** will take place at Crane's Landing, nestled within the Lincolnshire Marriott Resort. Distributors, manufacturers, suppliers, fastener industry services, and friends are invited to participate in this prestigious event, which promises breathtaking views of the Des Plaines River amidst 110 acres

of preserved woodlands. With just over 6,300 yards of challenging terrain, Crane's Landing Golf Club offers an unforgettable golfing experience. The golf event is full but contact us to be put on waiting list.



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As part of FSTNR Week, the **Fastener Training Institute** will offer its **Fastener Week** program from **August 19th to 23rd**, providing participants with the opportunity to earn their Certified Fastener Specialist certificate through intensive education and plant tours.

Online registration is available at www.fastenertrainingevents.com/fastener-training-chicago.htm.

FSTNR Week promises to be an enriching experience for all participants, offering valuable insights, networking opportunities, and fun! ■



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**AUG
18**

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BED BUILD EVENT

9:00am - 12:00pm
Marriott Lincolnshire Resort
VISIT www.SHPBEDS.org



**AUG
20**

42nd ANNUAL MWFA FASTENER SHOW

1:00pm - 6:00pm
Marriott Lincolnshire Resort
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**AUG
19**

MWFA MEMBER COMPANY PLANT TOURS

All Day Events
Various Tours throughout Chicago area
SCHEDULE AT www.MWFA.net



**AUG
20**

GAME ON! FASTENER BASH

5:00pm - 7:00pm
Marriott Lincolnshire Resort
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**AUG
19**

MWFA WELCOME MIXER

5:30pm - 7:30pm
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**AUG
21**

71st ANNUAL MWFA GOLF OUTING

12:00pm Shotgun Start
Crane's Landing at Marriott Lincolnshire
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**AUG
20**

FASTENER FAILURES SEMINAR

8:30am - 12:00pm
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**AUG
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For more information, event details and registration visit us online at www.mwfa.net

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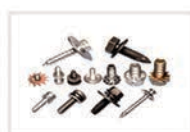


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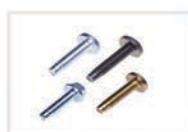
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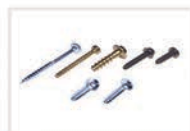
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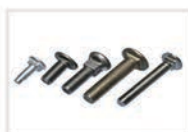
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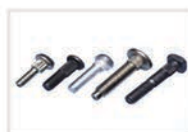
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In Memoriam



Joe Larmer Davis, Jr

In remembrance of Joe Larmer Davis, Jr., a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and cherished brother, we celebrate a life of love, dedication, and cherished memories. Joe peacefully departed on March 25, 2024, leaving behind a legacy that will forever resonate in our hearts.

Joe's enduring love is survived by his beloved wife, Beverly Davis, alongside a remarkable family who continue to carry his spirit forward.

Beyond his family, Joe was a visionary entrepreneur and a paragon of professionalism, leading by example in all his endeavors. In 1974, he founded ISSCO, Inc., a wholesale fastener distribution company with a mission to serve customers across the



Midwest efficiently. As ISSCO marked its 50th anniversary on April 1, 2024, we honor Joe's profound impact on the company's success.

His legacy continues through the dedication of his sons, David and Jason Davis, who joined the ISSCO team, embodying Joe's commitment to excellence in customer service and product quality.

Outside of business, Joe found joy in the simple pleasures of life, whether cheering on his beloved Mizzou, Chiefs, or Royals teams

or indulging in a round of golf. His passion for classic cars, exemplified by his prized 1951 Jaguar Mark V Sedan, brought him immense joy, earning national recognition in the late 1980s. In moments of repose, he found solace tending to his cattle on the family farm in Grant City, MO, his birthplace.

Above all, Joe's legacy endures as a testament to his unwavering devotion to his family, his steadfast friendship, and his profound impact on those fortunate enough to have known him. As we reflect on his life, let us carry forward his enduring spirit of love, integrity, and resilience.

The family would appreciate donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to the American Cancer Society. ■



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GLEN BRIN, Vice President, Darloc Corp, graduated from Northern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing. He began his career in the fastener industry in 1979 at Abbott Screw & Mfg. in Chicago, now known as Abbott Interfast Corporation in Wheeling, IL. Starting as an inside salesperson, Glen was promoted to Product Manager of their Locknut and Automatic Screw Machine Divisions, and later to Sales Manager.

In 1990, Glen began his tenure at Continental-Aero's Niles, IL office as Sales Manager, swiftly advancing to Vice President of Sales. Prior to this, he held sales roles at Innovative Components, Inc. in Schaumburg, IL. After retiring from Innovative Components in April, Glen now focuses exclusively on DarLoc Corporation, which he co-founded with his wife Darlene in 2006. His current efforts are dedicated to expanding DarLoc Corporation, particularly by broadening its offerings to include automatic screw machine parts tailored to precise specifications, alongside enhancing its miniature and clinch self-locking nut lines.

In 2002, Glen was elected to the CBNSA

Board of Directors, the predecessor of the MWFA. He has served as Vice President, Secretary, and is currently the Scholarship Committee Chairman. Glen is thrilled to see the MWFA Scholarship program surpass \$1 million in contributions to the employees, spouses, and children of their membership at the upcoming November meeting.

Glen resides in Long Grove, IL, with his wife Darlene. They have three adult married children and two grandchildren.

BOB SACHS, President/CEO, XL Screw Corporation joined XL Screw Corporation (XL) in 1972 as the third employee. In 1979, Bob Sachs became a shareholder and Vice President of XL Screw Corporation. In January 2003, Bob was promoted to President and bought the company in 2005. Under his leadership, XL started leveraging technology and advanced computer systems in 1981 in order to expand its business. Because of their continual commitment to customer service, above standard quality in their products and speed to market, the company will be celebrating 56 years in business this November.

As one of the very first importers, Bob was instrumental in shaping the fastener industry as it is today. He educated and trained several overseas suppliers on manufacturing processes, quality, pallet bracing and much more. The fastener industry would likely not be what it is today if not for his time and hard work to help guide the importation of fastener products.

Bob's unwavering belief in education and the success of the MWFA makes him a respected figure within the industry. The idea of establishing a scholarship program for the CBNSA/MWFA, was initiated by Bob. The program has flourished beyond expectations. He has donated to the scholarship fund for 26 consecutive years with contributions over \$72,000. Bob is a staunch supporter of the MWFA with sponsorships at all events along with donating door and raffle prizes.

In 2021, XL Screw Corp was honored with an induction into the MWFA Hall of Fame. Bob was also personally honored with an induction into the 2018 International Fastener Expo Hall of Fame.

Bob is well deserving of this prestigious honor. »»»

KANEBRIDGE CORPORATION, was founded on July 10, 1975, in a 350sq.ft. garage in Bloomfield, NJ, offering 27 sizes of Steel Round Head U-Drive screws. Rapid growth led to moves to larger facilities in Westwood, NJ (1976), Hillsdale, NJ (1977), and Mahwah, NJ (1983). In 1982, the company shifted to serving only fastener distributors, introducing "1/8-Kegs" of pre-zinc plated fasteners and publishing a net-price catalog.

By 1985, Kanebridge celebrated 10 years and opened a second branch in Bell, CA. It introduced Blind Rivets and began offering North American-made Grade-5 and Grade-8 Hex Cap Screws with certifications in 1986, alongside "Service Guarantees" for customer satisfaction. Expansion continued with a third location in Addison, IL (1987) and the

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In 1994, Kanebridge became the first to stock U.S.-made Zinc-plated Alloy Steel Socket Head Cap Screws and launched its Fastener Reference Guide in 1996. The company reintroduced a comprehensive Stainless Steel line in 1997 and launched the "FasNet" e-commerce system in 1998. It expanded its product range to include Military-Grade hardware and Metric fasteners in 1999.

Kanebridge's Midwest branch moved to Elgin, IL in 2001, centralizing operations. By 2002, the inventory surpassed 20,000 items, and the company published a Source Book. In 2004, Kanebridge.com became the primary resource for pricing information. The company launched its Mobile App in 2014 and exceeded 40,000 items by 2015.

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, Kanebridge maintained high service levels. In 2022, the Elgin facility expanded to 120,000 sq.ft.. Kanebridge published its final printed Source Book in 2023, featuring 43,000 items, and launched a new website. In 2024, it introduced American Sockets, a full line of U.S.-made Socket products. From its humble beginnings, Kanebridge has grown into a leader in fastener distribution, known for its extensive product range, exceptional service, and continuous innovation.

Kanebridge has been a loyal supporter of the MWFA for forty-eight years. A staple at most events and top sponsoring contributor of MWFA events. Joe McGrath, owner of Kanebridge Corporation has valued the networking and educational aspect of what the MWFA brought to the industry. ■



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would build on it."

Gordon Benzen, owner, and Vice President added, "We are excited about the opportunities this new partnership with AFC brings for our team. We are looking forward to a bright future together."

AFC CEO Kevin Godin said, "We were looking to strengthen our capabilities and position within the aerospace market and MTI offered us the ability to do that while adding a team that has a great reputation and relationship with its customers and suppliers.

Putting these two businesses together strengthens them both. We look forward to working together toward shared success."

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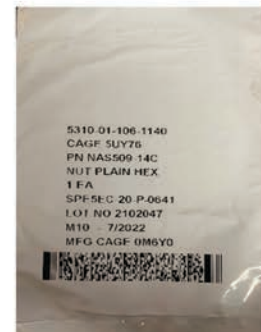
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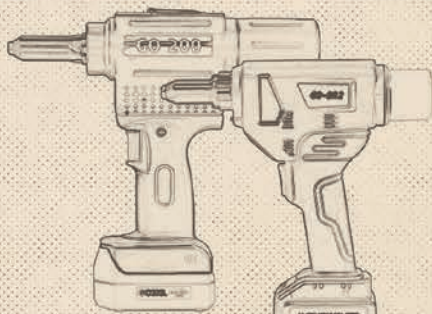


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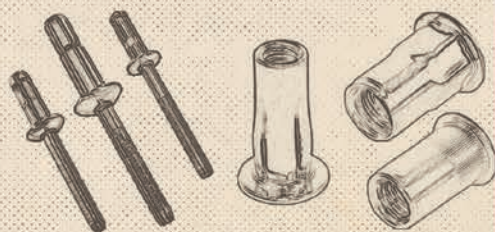
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AGENDA

- Don't Panic: The First Step When Faced with a Failure
- Collecting and Evaluating Data: Essential Steps for Effective Resolution
- Identifying the Root Cause: Strategies for Getting to the Bottom of the Issue

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- People who buy or sell fasteners or components
- People who distribute or manufacture fasteners
- People dealing with distribution of products
- People who use fasteners
- People who require a diversified knowledge of the industry
- People who have a role in training new hires to the industry

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS

SEAN COLLIS - With a background in drafting, project management and quality engineering, Sean has a wealth of cross-industry experience. As the Quality & Special Projects Manager at Michigan Metal Coatings, he is committed to delivering practical solutions to complex problems.

DARLENE COLLIS - With over 25 years in the fastener industry, Darlene is a recognized authority in sales, quality control and QMS management. As Vice President of Quality at Lindfast Solutions Group LSG, she brings extensive expertise and a passion for excellence to every endeavor.

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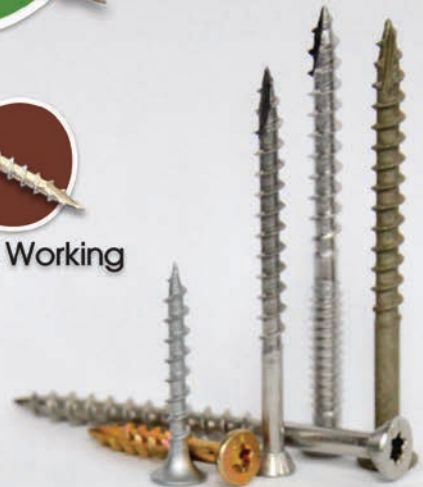


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The day began with a visit to SWD Inc., where Matt Delawder presented various plating techniques and their applications. Joan Sosinski and Ed Garcia discussed different types of heat treating and their specific uses. The students then toured both facilities. These tours allowed students to witness the processes firsthand, reinforcing their classroom learning with real-world applications.

The feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the effectiveness of seeing the processes in action. This unique approach to learning has made the class highly popular, leading to its annual recurrence in response to industry demand for well-educated professionals. The generous support of SWD Inc. and Morgan Ohare in providing expert speakers and comprehensive plant tours was greatly appreciated. ■





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Nearly 70 golfers participated, enjoying both the day and the networking opportunities. The weather was picture-perfect, making it a wonderful experience for all.

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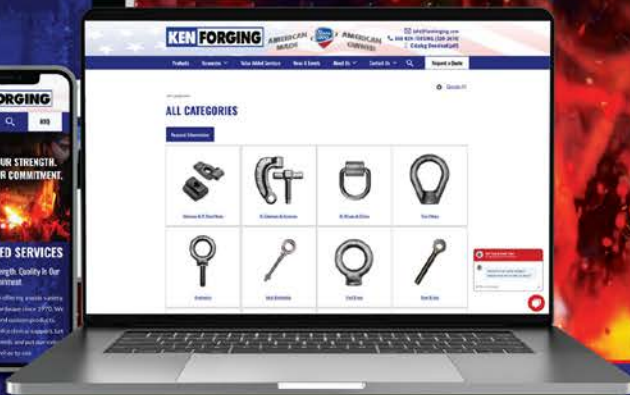
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AFC CEO Kevin Godin said, "We are excited to have the CBN team join the AFC family. They have an experienced team of industry professionals that have a proven track record of taking great care of their customers. Bringing them on board deepens our presence in key geographies and adds a great group of customers and team members. Adding them to the AFC platform

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Fastener Training Week, the flagship fastener training program from Fastener Training Institute (FTI), returns to Chicago this year from August 19 to August 23.

The event will be held at the Lincolnshire Marriott and hosted by the Mid-West Fasteners Association (MWFA) as part of their annual FSTNR Week.

Fastener Training Week, FTI's advanced technical training program, includes a full week of classroom training, case-studies, learning labs, hands-on exercises, fastener manufacturing and testing facility tours and more. At the end of the week, students who pass a final exam receive Certified Fastener Specialist (CFS) designation, the highest achievement and recognition for fastener professionals.

"We had our largest class in Chicago last year and we are excited to be back. Coupling our training with the MWFA's FSTNR Week gives attendees a chance to visit the table-top show with added networking opportunities," shared Jo Morris, Marketing Director for Fastener Training Institute.



Fastener Training Week is designed for fastener distributors, manufacturers, end-users, OEMs, purchasers, engineers, and sales and quality assurance professionals and includes a multitude of in-depth training topics, including understanding how fasteners fail, testing standards, fastener finishes and inspecting fastener dimensional features. The Chicago session will be taught by industry experts Laurence Claus, IFI Director of Education and Training and Carmen Vertullo, Owner & Founder of Carver Labs.

Registration includes five days of training, educational materials, continental breakfast and lunch - with vegetarian

options, transportation for plant tours, certification of completion and eligibility for the CFS designation and entrance into the MWFA table-top show.

2024 Fastener Training Weeks are sponsored by Birmingham Fastener. On-going support from FTI's sustaining sponsor, Würth Industry North America, is fundamental to all training programs, including Fastener Training Week in Chicago.

The Fastener Training Institute is a nonprofit organization that provides beginning and advanced training on fastener products, standards and specifications. Its core purpose is to enhance fastener use, reliability and safety with a mission to make industry professionals more knowledgeable about the fastening products they buy, sell, specify or use.

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August 19	Chicagoland Plant Tours MWFA Welcome Mixer <i>Marriot Lincolnshire, Lincolnshire, IL</i>
August 20	Fastener Failures Seminar 42nd Annual Table Top Show Game On! Fastener Bash <i>Marriot Lincolnshire, Lincolnshire, IL</i>
August 21	71st Annual Golf Outing <i>Cranes Landing, Lincolnshire, IL</i>
August 19-23	Fastener Training Week <i>Marriot Lincolnshire, Lincolnshire, IL</i>
September 9-11	International Fastener Expo <i>Las Vegas, NV</i>
November 7	Scholarship Awards, Hall of Fame Dinner & Board Elections <i>Belvedere Banquets, Elk Grove, IL</i>
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THE MISSION

The MWFA's primary purpose is to serve and promote the fastener industry and the ever changing needs of its membership base. The MWFA is dedicated to representing all fastener industry segments: manufacturers, distributors, importers and industry suppliers.

THE BENEFIT

As a leader in the fastener industry, the MWFA continues to focus on educational programs. The association's programs provide unsurpassed fastener industry training, utilizing industry experts with decades of industry experience, offering extensive knowledge and hands on training.

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