

CALENDAR

March 9—Shot Peening Workshop.

Tokyo. This one-day intensive instruction workshop covers all aspects of shot peening. Targeted attendees include product design engineers, machine operators, foremen, supervisors and maintenance and quality engineers. The courses are accredited by the FAA for specialized training for Inspector Authorization Renewals. A reference book of each class session is provided to students. The opportunity to earn shot peening certification is available for students who opt to take an FAA recognized exam for Level 1 Shot, Level 2 Shot and Flapper Peening. Exams are conducted at the workshop's conclusion. For more information, visit www.electronics-inc.com/workshop_japan.html. A two-day intensive instruction version of the workshop is scheduled for April 28-29 in Toronto. For more information on the Toronto workshop, visit www.electronics.com/workshop_canada.html.

March 17—AWEA Supply Chain Workshop.

The Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons. Greensboro, NC. The American Wind Energy Association's supply chain workshop comes to the Southeast. Attendees learn about how increasing domestic wind turbine manufacturing and their components can help grow staff and profits. Interact with representatives from a range of industries and learn about what the industry needs, challenges and growth opportunities. Topics include an overview of the wind industry supply chain; tips, tools and resources on how to enter the wind industry; and presentations from wind turbine manufacturers. A pre-conference seminar takes place the day before for those new to the wind industry to hear an overview and status of the industry, learn

the anatomy of a turbine and how the industry supply chain works. For more information, visit www.awea.org/events/supplychain4.

March 20-23—CastExpo.

Orange County Convention Center. Orlando, FL. The American Foundry Society (AFS) and the North American Die Casting Association sponsor CastExpo, the largest trade show for metal casters in North America. The latest equipment, technology and metal casting services will be displayed from over 450 companies worldwide. New to CastExpo in 2010 is a Cast in North America Exhibition for foundries and die casters to exhibit their capabilities for buyers and designers. Also new this year is a Metal Casting Technology Theater, where shop-floor presentations are given for casting buyers and metal casters. The annual Metal Casting Congress is held at CastExpo, where new industry R&D is presented. Various other seminars and keynotes will also take place. For more information, visit www.castexpo.com.

March 23-25—WESTEC.

Los Angeles Convention Center. The definitive West Coast manufacturing event includes keynote presentations from industry leaders in aerospace/defense, renewable energy and the manufacturing economy. The show also consists of technical sessions on topics that include small parts machining, high-speed alloy machining, milling, drilling, cutting advanced carbon fiber, carbon laminates and advances in additive manufacturing. Attendees view emerging technologies and emerging equipment applications and many other topics. For more information, visit www.westeconline.com.

March 30-31. Manufacturing Technology Forum.

Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center. Nashville, TN. The Association for Manufacturing Technology (AMT) and the National Center for Manufacturing Sciences (NCMS) host this technology forum, which this year is highlighting new initiatives addressing green in manufacturing. Guest speakers will discuss what the current trends are, what is necessary and what manufacturers can expect regarding new requirements. As with past forums, attendees will learn about current R&D activities. A networking reception and dinner event will take place as well. For more information, visit www.amtonline.org/calendar/2010amtncmsmanufacturingtechnologforum.htm.

April 21-22—Machine Shop Workshop.

Renaissance Cleveland Hotel. Cleveland. The business of running a machine shop is the focus of this workshop that brings together hundreds of U.S. shop owners and managers. Educational sessions cover shop operations, lean manufacturing programs, workforce development and supply chain management. Real-world problems and solutions are presented in the sessions to help attendees improve performance and competitiveness in the global metalworking market. New to the 2010 program is a plant tour, where attendees visit a world-class machine shop to witness its best practices, lean strategies and other means for operations success. A lineup of over 10 speakers discusses various subjects that include wind turbine supply demands and automotive retooling. The workshop is conducted by American Machinist. For more information, visit www.machineworkshop.com.