

Children's Technology Club

VISITS GLEASON-PFAUTER TO LEARN ABOUT GEARS

The Technical Club "TeClub" visited Gleason-Pfauter Maschinenfabrik in Ludwigsburg, Germany and learned about the building of gear manufacturing machines.

Once again, Gleason-Pfauter worked with TeClub and offered 20 elementary school students between the ages of 8 and 10 the opportunity to visit the plant in Ludwigsburg and to experience live gear manufacturing processes. The Management of Gleason-Pfauter, Dr. Ing. Ulrich Brahms and Karl-Heinz Kübler, emphasizes the need to get children interested in technology at an early age.

Gleason-Pfauter commercial trainees welcomed the students and gave an overview of the company and showcased the high tech products in a simple and easily understandable presentation. Then, the students had the opportunity to tour the Gleason-Pfauter plant in small groups, where budding industrial mechanics shared gear technology knowhow and answered



many curious questions. Afterwards, the students were asked to assemble small electric motors in the training center and make their own product. It proved to be a challenging activity that made our young visitors think and get creative. The students were visibly proud of their work and it seemed to be their favorite part of trip. Finally, the chairman of the works council concluded the visit with freshly grilled sausages and drinks.

Dr. Ulrich Brahms, managing director of Gleason-Pfauter, was delighted with the successful event.

"We want to create tomorrow's employees' sense of achievement and give them the feeling that they are working independently and actively on technical products, true to the motto: 'We Are Doers!'" Brahms said.

The manager of the TeClub, Anette Gagsch, had lots of praise for the organization and execution of the event by the committed Gleason-Pfauter trainees. The TeClub is sponsored by Südwestmetall - Verband der Metall- und Elektroindustrie Baden-Württemberg. (www.gleason.com)

Seco/Vacuum

ANNOUNCES DIRECTOR OF NITRIDING AND SPECIAL VACUUM FURNACES

Seco/Vacuum Technologies, LLC (Seco/Vacuum) is pleased to welcome **Mark Hemsath** as director of nitriding and special vacuum furnaces. Hemsath had previously held a position with Seco/Vacuum's sister company, Seco/Warwick Corp., as manager of the thermal group from 2014-2017



before taking time away to serve as director of sales and marketing with Advanced Heat Treat Corporation in Waterloo IA. Hemsath will be the primary contact for gas nitriding furnace applications in North America; he

will cover the Southeast USA from North Carolina to Texas for all Seco/Vacuum products; and he will handle special vacuum furnace products throughout North America.

Hemsath boasts a long and rewarding history in thermal processing, having operated his own heat treat furnace manufacturing and alloy fabricating company from 1993-2009. He has also designed, built, and sold vacuum, nitriding, hydrogen annealing and various other furnaces since the 1980s. And he is a descendant of a well-respected leader in thermal processing; his father acquired nearly 65 patents as vice president of technology for Midland Ross, parent of Surface Combustion. (www.secovacusa.com)

Röhmm Products of America

APPOINTS NEWS ILLINOIS AND WISCONSIN SALES MANAGER

To further support its Midwestern customers, clamping and gripping provider Röhmm Products of America has announced that **George Burleson** will manage the sales of the company's world-class products in the Illinois and Wisconsin territories. In this role, he will hold responsibility for supporting the company's efforts to provide chucks, centers, vises, tool clamping and automation systems as well as customized solutions for turning, milling, drilling and grinding to customers across the region.



"We are thrilled to welcome George to the team and are confident he will help our customers implement the high-productivity, high-quality workholding solutions for which Röhmm is well-known," said Steven Onik, national sales manager for Röhmm.

Burleson brings a significant understanding of the cutting tool industry to Röhmm after spending more than three years as the technical sales manager for the Rowley, Massachusetts-based Harvey Tool Company LLC, where he has worked in various positions since 2012. In his sales management position, he achieved constant year-over-year growth while managing relationships with distributors and customers in the medical, aerospace, defense, plastic injection molding and technology manufacturing industries. Prior to joining Harvey Tool, he earned his bachelor of science in mechanical engineering at Union College in Schenectady, New York, and studied Chinese during a term abroad at Fudan University in Shanghai. (www.rohmm-products.com)

Walter Surface Technologies

ACQUIRES BLACKSTONE SUPPLY AGREEMENT FROM SUNDISC ABRASIVES

Walter Surface Technologies recently announced the acquisition of the Fastenal Blackstone supply agreement and all related inventory from Sundisc Abrasives USA LLC. With this agreement, Walter becomes one of Fastenal's trusted private label suppliers across the Americas.

"This transaction allows us to accelerate our expansion in the United States by servicing one of the fastest growing industrial distributors in the country," said Marc-André Aubé, president and COO of Walter Surface Technologies. "We are excited to help contribute to the success of the Blackstone brand, and we believe this agreement will also contribute to the success of Walter's own high-performance line of products regarded as 'Only the Best' throughout the industry."

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“Fastenal is pleased to enter into this supply agreement with the scale of a leading global abrasives manufacturer such as Walter Surface Technologies,” said Paul Quigley, vice president, product development, Fastenal. “Fastenal customers will benefit from Walter’s product innovations and dedicated technical support.” (www.walter.com)

Sandvik Coromant Center

SET TO OPEN IN RENNINGEN, GERMANY, FOCUS ON AUTO INDUSTRY

A decision has been taken to open a new Sandvik Coromant Center in Renningen, Germany that will include a showroom, training facilities, and a design and project office. These centers are world class facilities for productivity, applications, machining and research in manufacturing. In Renningen, the team will focus on the automotive industry. The aim of this investment is to further improve customer experience. Sandvik Coromant Centers are meeting places where visitors can interact and cooperate in a modern and inspiring environment, enabling physical and digital collaboration. The centers are truly digital, offering improved connectivity for live machining demonstrations from Asia, Europe and the United States, ultimately utilizing the company’s global knowledge in the best possible way. The new facility will be approximately 3,000 m² in size and is expected to be operating from the end of Q1 2020. (www.sandvik.coromant.com)



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