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2021 Convention

The 2021 convention is now history. Although attendance was down from San Diego in 2019, it was still a big success with a great program, seeing old friends for the first time in two years and enjoying all St. Louis had to offer.

If you were unable to attend, you missed some outstanding presentations and Travis Mills our keynote speaker was a real highlight. Travis not only talks the talk but walks the walk in living the attitude of "*Never Give Up, Never Quit.*" His very frank, yet humorous presentation of his ordeal was very inspiring and received a standing ovation. Check out his website at <u>Travis Mills – Never Give Up. Never</u> <u>Quit.</u> You can also Google Travis Mills videos for some truly inspirational moments. Kind of puts life in perspective.

The 2.7L Ford presentation lived up to it's preconvention hype. Doug Anderson, Skip Hartley and Roy Berndt did an outstanding job in relaying all the intricacies of this engine and bringing the engine itself to the convention certainly added a new level to a technical presentation. Check out all the photos on our website www.pera.org/galleries.

Other Wednesday highlights included the Reman/Supplier panel with Kyle Ottoson of City Motors, Jimmy Corbin of Jasper, Limor Karpatkin of King Bearings, Mike Jackson of Hastings and Dave Monyhan of Goodson. Greg Arsenault's presentations on turbo charger and fuel injection failure analysis were amazing. And you can't forget the Opening Reception that was sponsored by AER Manufacturing. Thank you AER for continuing to bring everyone together again!

Thursday was kicked off with Judah DeLoreno of Jasper talking about Ransomware Attacks. I don't think I've ever seen so many people taking notes as I did for this one.

Judah was followed by Josh Reed of SAV Transportation and Scott Stolberg of Enginequest/EQ Core & Recycling. A tour of MaxCore for the non-golfers rounded out the day.

Friday started out with a great panel on gaskets, fasteners and torquing. Thank you Brian Roberts and Chuck Lynch of AERA and Kevin Reiland of Desoutter Tools. Cass Choate of Choate Engineering Performance did an outstanding presentation on the 6.4L Ford diesel, his specialty engine.

Because of COVID protocols, there was no tour Friday afternoon. Instead, a roundtable discussion on the industry was held to discuss the current state of parts, people and all this extra business everyone seems to be seeing. If you'd like a copy of the notes, drop me an email and I'll get them to you.

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Webinars & Convention News

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Webinars & Sponsorship

11 Webinars for 2021

January 20:	Darin Morgan
	Induction System revisited
February 17:	Ed Jones & Mike Ditzel, Hangsterfer's
	Metalworking Fluids
	Choosing the Right Cutting Fluid
March 17:	Dan Begle, MAHLE Aftermarket, Inc.
	Bearing Construction
April 21:	Tim Golema, MAHLE Aftermarket, Inc.
	Filtration—Air and Liquid
May 19:	Randy Neal, CWT Industries
	Revisiting Over/Under Balancing
June 16:	Rottler Maufacturing & Total Seal
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	Part 1
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July 21:	Total Seal Piston Rings & Rottler Mfg.
	Cylinder Bore Geometry
	Part 2
August 18:	Ron Sledge, King Engine Bearings
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September:	None—convention month
October 20	Sunnen Products Company
NI	TBA
November 17:	Randy Neal, CWT Industries
	Balancing—TBA
*December ?	Open—Reserve your spot NOW!

*December date subject to change depending on finalized PRI Show dates.

2021 Sponsors:

We have the maximum of eight fantastic sponsors for the 2021 webinar series! A big thank you goes to:

Corteco CWT Industries The ERI Group Hastings Manufacturing Company King Engine Bearings Mahle Aftermarket, Inc. QualCast, LLC Rottler Manufacturing

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Recognition and Elections

Since the 2020 convention was cancelled, we took time to recognize outgoing directors from 2021: Luis Garcia of Safety Auto Parts Ben Steine of Tri Star Engine Supply Larry Haswell of Larry Haswell & Associates Outgoing President, Matt McGraw, AER Manufacturing, Inc.

Directors elected in 2020 were: Fay Owings, Titan Engines Devereaux Jones, Devereaux Jones Company Paul Hauglie, QualCast, LLC

President Randy Bauer, Jasper Engine & Transmission Exchange

2021 Recognition & Elections Outgoing Directors: Craig Talley, Blackwater Engines Aaron LaRose, SRC Automotive Joe Wright, Dorman Products

New directors elected were: Adam Skaggs of AER Manufacturing, Inc. Aaron LaRose of SRC Automotive, Inc. Joe Wright, Dorman Products Adrian Long, QualCast LLC to fulfill Paul Hauglie's term after deserting PERA for Borg Warner.....

Joe had served the remainder of Joel Terry's term and is now serving a full term. Aaron is serving a second term on the Board.



(from left: Joe Wright, Aaron LaRose, Adam Skaggs & Adrian Long)

Convention Photos

All convention photos are now available on our website at <u>www.pera.org/galleries</u>. Click on the thumbnail for whichever convention you want to look at and then select the photo(s) you want to save. Unfortunately at this time you have to save them individually. However, you can send me a list of the photos you want and I'll send you a link to download all your choices.

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The winner of the tabletop drawing for \$500 was Andres Gomez of LKQ Remanufacturing—Mexico.



It is sad to say, but this was the last convention for one of our fearless leaders, Program Planning Chairman, Dave Monyhan. Dave is retiring at the end of the year. We will miss his wit and highly entertaining presence. To commemorate his contributions and to keep PERA in his mind we gave him the obligatory plaque, a kayak paddle that we had everyone sign, plus we put a special koozie in everyone's credential pack designating the 2021 convention as Dave's farewell tour. It was a rare occasion for anyone to out koozie the "Koozie King." Thank you Ed Kiebler for all your help!



There was also a life-size cutout of Dave's Bud Light Blue VW Bug for everyone to get their pictures taken. Of course there's a story behind the color, it just happens to be the color of the can of Dave's favorite beer, Bud Light!



<u>Friday</u>Night

The convention was closed out with an outing to the Anheuser-Busch Brewery for an evening of fun, food, drinks, pictures with a Clydesdale and even some karaoke. Thank you DRiV, AER Manufacturing, Cal Valves and Sunnen Products for help make this a memorable evening!



Nate B. is a "ROCKER!"

It should also be mentioned that this was another friend's last convention. Bill Levy was with us, if not in person, in spirit. He spent time with everyone not just at the golf tournament, but in the bars and in the ballroom.



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It is through the generosity of all our sponsors who help make our conventions the success they are. Please take a few minutes to say thank you whenever you get the opportunity!

Our 2021 sponsors:

Opening Reception — AER Manufacturing, Inc. AV Banner — Dana Incorp.—Victor Reinz Gaskets Podium Sign — Cal Valves Wednesday a.m. Break — Dorman Products Wednesday Lunch— AER Manufacturing, Inc. Wednesday p.m. Break — Dorman Products Thursday Lunch — Dorman Products Friday a.m. Break — Dorman Products Friday Lunch — Silver Seal Products Company Friday Lunch — U.S. Tool & Manufacturing Co. Friday Anheuser-Busch Bar-DRiV, Inc. Friday Anheuser-Busch Bar-Cal Valves Friday Anheuser-Busch Bar-AER Manufacturing Friday Anheuser-Busch Bar-Sunnen Products Co. Beer on Buses — Goodson Engine Tools & Supplies Hand Sanitizer-Elgin Industries Hanging Banner Pod.— EngineQuest/EQ Cores & Recycling Hanging Banner — AERA (Engine Builders Assn.) Hanging Banner — RT Sales Hanging Banner — Safety Auto Parts Hanging Banner — SB International Inc. Floor Cling — Elgin Industries Floor Cling — Mahle Aftermarket, Inc. Floor Cling—QualCast LLC Coffee Cups — ArmaKleen/ARMEX Busing — Jasper Engine & Transmission Exchange Ladies Program — LKQ Corp. Elevator Door Wraps—Dura-Bond Bearing Company Elevator Door Wraps—MAHLE Aftermarket, Inc. Elevator Door Wraps—Melton Industries Elevator Door Wraps—Rottler Manufacturing Lapel Pins — Titan Engines, Inc. Pens & Notepads — Melling Engine Parts Pens & Notepads — Melling Engine Parts Program Ad — Actionrev (Modal Software Corp.) Program Ad — ArmaKleen/ARMEX Program Ad — Clemco Industries Corp. Program Ad — Elgin Industries Program Ad — Engine Builder Magazine Program Ad — Melling Engine Parts Program Ad — QPAC Program Ad — Pottler Mapufacturing Program Ad — Rottler Manufacturing Program Ad — Sunnen Products Company PPT Banner (combined) — ACL Distribution PPT Banner (combined) — Thomas Sales Co. Tabletop Display— Allen Woods & Associates, Inc. Tabletop Display— Asian Engine Parts LLC Tabletop Display— Clemco Industries Corp. Tabletop Display— Dorman Products Tabletop Display- Endural LLC Tabletop Display- Hastings Manufacturing

Tabletop Display— King Engine Bearings, Inc.
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Tabletop Display— RT Sales
Tabletop Display— Sunnen Products Company

Golf Tournament

3rd place team:

Closest to pin:

Longest drive:

Chairman Fred Calouette put together another outstanding golf tournament at Gateway National Golf Links. 44 golfers enjoyed the sunshine and some had memorable adventures in the "savannah" that passed for the rough.

Sponsors for the tournament were: \$400 Team 1st Place S.B. International Inc. \$200 Team 2nd Place Madison Chemical Co. \$100 Team 3rd Place United Engine & Machine \$10,000 Hole-In-One Endural LLC. \$100 Longest Putt Made Rottler Manufacturing. \$100 Men's Closest to Pin **Elgin Industries** \$100 Ladies Closest to Pin QualCast, LLC \$100 Men's Longest Drive Silver Seal Products Co. \$100 Ladies' Longest Drive U.S. Tool & Manufacturing Bev. Cart Drink Coupons Cal Valves Can Koozies Goodson Automotive Engine Building Tools Golf Balls Endural LLC Golf Towels Melling Engine Parts The winners of the various awards were: 1st place team: **Ben Steine** John Lormin Charlie Aiken Will Aiken Scott Miller 2nd place team: Rick Simko

Jack Daul Jack Daul Tabatha Whitney Robert McGraw

Ed Kiebler Nate Bjornson Chase Havens

Karen Bewley Khalil Dhanani

Karen Bewley Matt McGraw

Longest putt: Karen Bewley

Thank you Fred Calouette for all your hard work and congratulations to all for such a fun day.

Check out all of Casey Calouette's photos at <u>www.pera.org/</u><u>galleries</u>.



Dorman Announces 270 New Products

Dorman Products is announcing today the release of 270 new replacement auto parts, including 78 aftermarketfirst solutions, giving repair professionals and vehicle owners greater freedom to fix a wide range of cars and trucks.

This month's new solutions include an upgraded aluminum engine oil filter housing (926-876) designed to replace the original on over 4.2 million Jeep, Ram, Dodge, and Chrysler vehicles. The factory oil filter adapter may leak oil when its plastic housing warps from harsh underhood conditions. As the plastic degrades from heat and chemical exposure, cracks can form, even from simply tightening the oil filter cap during oil changes.

The new Dorman OE FIX housing is designed as a more permanent solution and is crafted entirely of aluminum to help prevent the material degradation and warping that causes the original design to fail. It bolts to the engine similar to the plastic factory original but maintains its dimensional stability to help ensure much greater durability and leak-free, reliable service. It also includes the necessary gaskets for an effective repair.



LKQ has announced that its board of directors has authorized a \$1 billion increase and a two-year extension to its stock repurchase program, raising the aggregate authorization under the program to \$2 billion and authorizing repurchases through Oct. 25, 2024. Since initiating the stock repurchase plan in October 2018, 25 million shares have been repurchased for a total consideration of \$830 million through June 30, 2021.

Varun Laroyia, executive vice president and CFO of LKQ Corp., stated, "The expanded stock repurchase program reflects our continued confidence in the company's future performance, long-term cash flow generation and the success of the program. The strength of our business, balance sheet, capacity for strategic investments and disciplined approach to capital allocation positions us to deliver on our commitment of driving stockholder value creation."



Cloyes Achieves World Class Net Promoter Score

Cloyes is pleased to announce that it has reached an indus-

try-leading Net Promoter Score of 83. An NPS score of 70 or higher is considered "world class" by experts and is a very strong indicator of customer loyalty. The score also highlights the success of the



company's prioritization of customer satisfaction.

"This represents how far we have come with our new Value Proposition to our customers," said Cloyes CEO John Hanighen. "We have worked hard to develop a customercentric culture with our customer support, industry leading warranty programs and in-depth training videos. We appreciate the feedback from our customers and look forward to continuing to serve them in exceptional ways."

As the complete timing authority, Cloves backs its products with an unparalleled level of knowledge and experience that dates back over a century. This expertise, combined with a clear understanding of today's professional technicians and vehicles, enables Cloyes to provide dependable parts and relevant information to the market.

"The industry has a firm belief in the ability and strength of our products and our people," said Hanighen. "When we tell our customers something, they believe us because we always back up what we say with reliable products and outstanding customer service. They trust the Cloyes product, brand, and people. Our NPS score reflects the confidence we've built among our customers."



Goodson Introduces Saber Tooth Valve Seat Cutter Blades

Goodson Tools & Supplies for Engine Builders has introduced a newly designed line of valve seat cutter blades called the Saber Tooth. The Saber Tooth Valve Seat Cutter Blade is manufactured from a special alloy to make cutting hard or multi-alloy valve seat materials easier. In tests prior to the launch, the Saber Tooth cutters provided up to 30% longer life.

According to Dave Monyhan, Goodson National Sales Manager, "All of our cutter blades will be converted to the new Saber Tooth cutter. We've decided to keep the same item numbers to make ordering easier for everyone." He added that you'll be able to tell the new cutters because they'll have a Saber Tooth Tiger head etched on the surface. For more information, contact Goodson at 1-800-533-8010 or visit goodson.com.

In Memory:

Wayne Hodge

This is from Mark Godfrey, co-owner of Wayne's Engine Rebuilding in Riverside, CA. Wayne's has been a longtime PERA member.

"It is with a sad heart to say that we lost one of the true great guys in Southern California. On July 11th my friend, mentor and longtime boss, (a lot of people in the industry thought he was my dad), Wayne Hodge passed away.

Wayne along with his wife Shirley started Wayne's Engine Rebuilders Inc. back in 1971 and turned it into one of California's largest engine rebuilders.

Racing at Corona Raceway was always a highlight for Wayne and something he always loved. Wayne's was always a staple in the community helping out with several charity and fund raising events.

Many people from Riverside and the cities nearby worked at Wayne's at some point as the business grew over the years. In 2013 Wayne and Shirley's son Wade and I took over the reins, but the name will always remain the same. Just this past month was Wayne's Engines 50th anniversary. We had some special retro shirts and hats made and the look in his eye the day he saw them was priceless and something I will carry with me forever. We will miss him and his sense of humor the most. Godspeed my friend!!!!!"

Mark Godfrey



In Memory: Samuel Zaslavsy

On Friday, Aug. 20, King Engine Bearings announced on social media the sad news that company founder Samuel Zaslavsky passed away on Aug. 19 at the age of 95.

Zaslavsky founded King Engine Bearings 61 years ago and continued his life's work right up until the last few months, designing machines that would serve King for many years to come. He was and will continue to be an inspiration to King employees.



Goodson Tools & Supplies for Engine Builders has introduced a fully reengineered setting micrometer for the 3-D Fast Cut™ Valve Seat Cutting System. According to Dave Monyhan, Goodson National Sales Manager, "We lost our supplier for the original MGA-MIC back in 2019 and have been searching for a way to bring the tool back ever since. With some good old ingenuity, we found a way to do just that."

The redesigned setting micrometer has a 0.800" to 2.800" range capacity and features a carbide tipped anvil for accuracy and durability. Goodson also engineered in a .375" diameter precision drill bushing for the calibration standard or pilot to ride on. The direct reading micrometer is accurate to .001". According to Goodson Tech, Chris Jensen, "it has silky smooth micrometer action."

Use the 3-D Fast Cut Setting Micrometer with any .375" pilot, regardless of top size, to set your cutters. An optional 1" calibration standard is also available.

For more information, contact Goodson at 1-800-533-8010 or visit goodson.com.

Seeking New Opportunity

Jason Burkitt is currently seeking a new career, after 16 years with Dahmer Powertrain.

"I believe now is a great time for me to grow and advance in the market that I love. I am an experienced operations director, with a demonstrated history in effective process management, leadership, team building, and automotive machining. I have extensive knowledge in logistics, supply-chain trends, negotiations, and production manufacturing."



"I am also an active member of PERA and AERA. Currently, I'm located in the Kansas City area but would be willing to relocate for the right opportunity."

Contact Jason at Jburkitt81@gmail.com



Dorman Announces More Than 200 New Products In October

Highlights from this month's new product announcement by Dorman Products include:

- An OE FIX engine coolant water outlet (902-302HP) for more than 270,000 Chrysler, Dodge and Mitsubishi vehicles that upgrades the factory plastic design to more durable aluminum to help prevent cracks and fluid leaks.
- Nineteen new window regulator assemblies representing 26 million repair opportunities, covering multiple positions on a wide range of vehicles, including the front left and front right power window regulator assemblies (748-188 / 748-189) on 2013-2020 Ram trucks.
- An aftermarket-exclusive engine air intake hose (696-029) to replace the original hose on select Ford Super Duty trucks that may be susceptible to failures.

MAHLE

MAHLE Unveils MAHLE Aftermarket eCatalog

MAHLE Aftermarket Inc. has launched a new online eCatalog designed to enhance the visitor experience by offering access to the company's global portfolio of vehicle aftermarket solutions. The portal is segmented by specialty area for instant access to the latest MAHLE Aftermarket parts and includes a "smart" search engine to identify the best solution based on vehicle application.

"At MAHLE, we are committed to serving our customers' aftermarket needs by staying at the forefront of innovation – that not only pertains to our products, but also how we

deliver our solutions to our global patrons," said Jon Douglas, President, MAHLE Aftermarket North America. "This state-of the-art platform is tailored to the visitor's unique vehicle specifications and provides simple navigation tools to direct them to the ideal MAHLE solution that fits their aftermarket needs – whether it be an air conditioning condenser or gasket set."

The online global MAHLE Aftermarket eCatalog is catered to aftermarket users, distributors, and technicians, and is customized to locate MAHLE solutions based on vehicle brand and application, including passenger car, commercial vehicle, light commercial vehicle (LCV), and powersports. For further search optimization, MAHLE products are also categorized into seven key areas - air conditioning, chemical products, driver cab/body structure, electrics, specials tools, standard parts/consumables, and workshop equipment. (MAHLE continued)

Additionally, relevant MAHLE product part numbers can be entered into the navigation field located at the top of the portal for more specific results.

Access the MAHLE Aftermarket eCatalog by visiting <u>http://</u> <u>catalog.mahle-aftermarket.com/</u>



<u>Cloyes Promotes Smith To Director Of Category Management</u>

Ryan Smith has been promoted to director of Category Management for Cloyes Gear and Products. In his new role, Ryan will continue to develop and grow the department with additional resources, enhance the customer line review process, and expand the company's category management footprint to more customers.

Ryan joined Cloyes in December of 2013 as sales and marketing coordinator, where he played a key role in the management of several regional export accounts, PER customer base and customer pricing. He also served as project manager lead on the production of Cloyes aftermarket tech videos. He was promoted in May of 2019 to manager of special markets and category management.



"Ryan is a talented, capable and creative professional who is well-respected in the broader aftermarket community," said Richard Crotzer, senior vice president of global sales for Cloyes. "His experience with Cloyes has prepared him perfectly for his new position."

Larry Haswell Retires

After a stellar career in the automotive aftermarket for 40 years, Larry Haswell of Larry Haswell & Associates has re-



tired and has sold his agency to Troy Hudson. Larry started his career with ROK in 1981 developing the engine parts program before starting his own agency in 1996 and the rest is history.

Although not directly involved in the PER market in the past, Troy is a highly respected rep very familiar with the after-

market as a whole servicing the high performance and truck accessory markets. Larry will continue to be involved on a limited basis to assist in the transition and share his wealth of knowledge. Troy will continue to use the Larry Haswell & Associates name.

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Dura-Bond is celebrating reaching two "Industry Leadership Milestones. First is the 75th anniversary of Dura-Bond Bearing Company founded in Palo Alto California

Ing Company founded in Palo Alto California 1947 and moved to Nevada in 1987. Dura-Bond developed the Full Round no seam Cam Bearing after the War to serve the rebuilding industry. They also brought in the powder metal valve seat product line in 1996 for advanced valve seat technology.



Moving forward Dura-Bond has expanded into the transmission product line offering components and kits. "Our future is in place for "Powertrain" to compliment the changing markets" says Bill Dolak, Marketing Director for Dura-Bond.



Dura-Bond's CEO - Chairman, Charles Barnett is celebrating his 75th birthday and 26 years with Dura-Bond.



The E.R.I. Group is pleased to announce the location of their newest I.P.W. distribution centre at 300 Baig Boulevard, Suite C-4, Moncton, New Brunswick. Industry veteran, Marshall Jardine is the Branch Manager of their newest location. Marshall has held similar positions with Clevite Engine Parts and Ertel Manufacturing Corp. of Canada.

Opening date of this new facility was November 1st, 2021.



Dana Inc., one of the world's leading experts and manufacturers of gasket and sealing technology, officially launches Victor Reinz Reinzosil room-temperature vulcanizing (RTV) silicone to the North American market. A permanently elastic, universal silicone sealing compound, Reinzosil provides superior resistance to fluids and extreme temperatures.

"Typical RTV sealants often do not hold up in high-heat environments and can break down quickly if exposed to internal combustion fuels, diesel fuels, and other liquids," said Bill Nunnery, senior director, sales and marketing, global aftermarket for Dana. "Reinzosil is an easy-to-apply, fast-curing and dependably durable sealant that is thermally stable in extreme temperatures and suitable for uneven and rough surfaces. Unlike other compounds, Reinzosil will not shrink or lose weight in high-heat environments."



Available in 70 milliliter tubes, Reinzosil sealant is resistant to fluids, including mineral oils and synthetic oils, lubricants, gasoline, diesel oil, greases, water and detergents, and is

safe for all sensors, according to Dana. It is ideal for use on two-dimensional flat surfaces where there is a sealing gap, such as gasket intersections and components originally sealed with RTV by the manufacturer, including intake manifolds, valve covers and oil pans. Because Reinzosil sealant is so versatile, it can replace other varieties of RTV, eliminating excessive SKUs and saving valuable inventory space.

Extensive testing shows that Reinzosil sealant remains pliable and maintains shape after 500-plus hours of hightemperature storage (480°F), while other compounds become brittle and disintegrate, and it has significantly less weight loss after exposure to 515°F than standard silicones. Dana says tests also reveal that competitive sealants are shown to corrode brass surfaces with acetic sealants, while neutral-curing Reinzosil sealant shows no corrosion.

"Reinzosil has undergone thorough testing and the results bear out that it is the premier RTV silicone on the market today. At very high temperatures, it performs 30 percent better and has two times more flexibility than the closest competitor," said Nunnery. "It's durability, flexibility and versatility make Reinzosil the RTV sealant of choice in Europe and a favorite of import auto repair specialists. We are proud to introduce this exceptional, in-demand product to the North American aftermarket."

To learn more about Reinzosil sealant (No. 70-31414-10), visit <u>www.victorreinz.us/products/reinzosil-rtv-silicone</u>.



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LKQ Recognized As A 5-Star Employer In North America

LKQ Corp. announced that it has been recognized as a 5-Star Employer in North America by employee engagement platform WorkBuzz. This award was based on confidential feedback from employees about their experiences working for LKQ.

In August 2021, WorkBuzz invited LKQ's employees in North America to provide confidential feedback about their experiences working for LKQ. The survey results demonstrated extraordinarily high levels of employee engagement at LKQ compared to other businesses of a similar size.

"We are humbled and delighted to receive this award. Part of our mission statement is to build strong partnerships with our employees and the communities in which we operate, and this award validates that our inclusive and engaged teams are carrying this mission forward each and every day. Our employees and the LKQ Proud culture they live and exude are simply our biggest assets," said Dominick Zarcone, president and CEO.

Steven Frost, CEO of WorkBuzz, commented, "At Work-Buzz, we're passionate about improving people's working lives. We created this award to recognize the best workplace cultures where employees are proud to work, are motivated to do more, and want to stay for the foreseeable future. We've loved working with LKQ, who truly cares about its employees' experiences and has worked hard to create a culture where people can thrive."

The company says it plans to survey its employees across the globe to better understand its employees' experiences and to take action to become an even better place to work.

ERI Awards (continued)

Ashton Aumen of Duncan, British Columbia has completed four years of undergraduate studies at the University of Victoria, enrolled in the Recreation and Health Education program. Ashton will be completing her degree at the end of this year.

Talia Doll of Peace River, Alberta is attending a four-year program at the University of Victoria for her B.A. in Psychology. Talia plans to further her education with a Ph.D. in psychology, so that she can pursue her desired career in psychology.

Halle Dyck of East St. Paul, Manitoba is attending a five year program from the Price Faculty of Engineering at the University of Manitoba. Halle is hoping to make a career in civil engineering.

Kirsten Tervelde of Stouffville, Ontario is attending her first year of studies in the Arts and Social Sciences program at Carlton University. Kirsten is starting her post-secondary education towards her ultimate goal of becoming an Architect.

Gabriel Bélanger of Saint-Sulpice, Québec is attending a three year program at the Collège de Maisonneuve in Multimedia Integration Techniques. Gabriel plans to use the program in web design, animation and graphic design to help achieve his career as a web designer.

Erin Steeves of Shediac Cape, New Brunswick is entering her fourth year of a five year Doctor of Dental Surgery program in the Faculty of Dentistry at Dalhousie University. Erin's ultimate goal is to pursue a career in Dentistry.

The E.R.I. Group and the Richard Miller Scholarship Selection Committee are very pleased to be able to help recognize deserving individual members of the E.R.I. family who are motivated to improve their potential for personal fulfillment and make a meaningful contribution to society.



The E.R.I. Group is pleased to announce this year's winners of the RICHARD MILLER EDUCATION AWARD. The award to provide financial assistance and encouragement to individuals who wish to further their education or training has been presented to applicants from E.R.I. member companies for the over 20 years.

Ms. Ashton Aumen, Ms. Talia Doll, Ms. Halle Dyck, Ms. Kirsten Tervelde, Mr. Gabriel Bélanger and Ms. Erin Steeves were each presented with a \$1,000 cheque to help further their education. "We congratulate each of them on their success and wish them well in their chosen vocations. We also applaud all of our applicants this year with furthering their training or education" said Chairman Rick Miller.



Melton Industries has been nominated for "Engine Distributor of the Year - North America" at the third Diesel Progress Summit held in Chicago, October 25th and 26th. The awards are intended to honor excellence and achievement in the engine and powertrain industries.

"This was not a nomination we had been targeting but none the less an honor thus far. There is a designated team here at Melton's that wakes up everyday to succeed and this is an honor to show them their great efforts do not go unnoticed," said COO Robert Melton.

Distribution and Remanufacturing are 2 separate entities under the corporate name within the Melton Sales & Service umbrella. Melton Industries is the remanufacturing subdivision that is recognized or authorized to remanufacture many OEM engines.

Member & Website News



Jasper Holdings, Inc. is pleased to announce the purchase of D&W Diesel. D&W is a premier remanufacturer and distributor of a full line of diesel engine components, including fuel injection components, turbochargers, rotating electric, air compressors, and much more. They offer a full line of industrial products and services, including custom-built air compressor systems from Gardner Denver, and provide field service. They also design, build, and install custom tank truck systems to load and unload liquid and dry bulk materials.

D&W is headquartered in Auburn, New York, with branches in Rochester, Albany, and Buffalo, NY; Worcester, MA; Cleveland, OH; Philadelphia, PA; Cliffwood, NJ; and Denver, CO. They have 330 Associates with customers coast to coast and will operate independently under the D&W Diesel brand. Greg Wrona, a 13-year Associate of D&W Diesel, who previously was Vice President, will be named President.

"We are honored to add D&W to our Jasper Holdings brands as they are well respected throughout the industry." stated Jasper Holdings and Jasper Engines and Transmissions CEO Doug Bawel. "Doug Wayne and Dave Wayne will continue to be involved, which is great."

Jasper Holdings and Jasper Engines & Transmissions President Zach Bawel added, "We have known the Waynes for many years as a supplier and innovator in the industry. To have them and their Associates join our Jasper Holdings family of companies is great for their Associates and great for us. This is the next step in expanding Jasper Holdings' footprint in the fuel and air products aftermarket along with additional new products and services."

In Memory—Donald Brooks Rottler

We lost another giant in our industry. Don Rottler of Rottler Manufacturing passed away in his home in Seattle on August 7, 2021. He was 94 years old.



Don graduated from the University of Washington and operated a laundry business with his wife before joining the family business, Rottler Boring Bar Company, started by his father.

Operating Rottler Manufac-

turing allowed Don to follow his passion for creating new state of the art machine designs for the engine rebuilding (recycling) industry. Part of running the business involved traveling the country visiting customers. Don traveled the country with his wife Dana in their small airplane working with sales reps and customers. Flying became a big part of Don's life. After he and Dana had kids (Steve and Andy) Don continued to fly around the US on business for many years. At the end of his career at Rottler Boring Bar Co. he had accumulated over 10,000 hours of flying time.

A significant part of family life was spending time in the outdoors. Don and his brother Jack continued to take the family out on vacations to the San Juans and Canada and as far north as Juneau Alaska on Jacks boat. They always encouraged independence and let the younger generation go out on their own adventures at a very young age.

Don married Barb Angie in 1986 and were married for 35 years before Don's passing. Don and Barb enjoyed traveling the world, meeting new people. They enjoyed playing golf together either in Seattle or Palm Dessert where they lived in the winter. Don and Barb started the Sharing Foundation, which is dedicated to helping young, disadvantage youth. Don always encouraged a positive "can do" attitude.

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Our website was completely redesigned in 2014 and for years it functioned just fine, but some of the elements of the backside software were outdated making changes difficult at best.

Our good friends at Babcox Media have again come through by updating the software and redesigning some of the pages, especially the home page. The new layout makes it easier to find information through the use of visual links. There is less confusion with greater separation of individual features. It also makes it easier for me to edit existing information and add new. A good example of this new layout is the section for webinar registrations and listing some of the recent webinar recording right on the home page.

Webinar Registration Link

October 20th: Honing Engine Components Utilizing the Triboconditioning ® Process

Join Bob Dolder of Sunnen Products and David Chobany of Applied Nano Surfaces to learn all about this friction reducing process and how you can utilize it in your operation. Using standard machines, e.g. for honing, turning, or milling the result is a smoother surface covered with a low friction tribofilm that reduces friction and the wear of the component.

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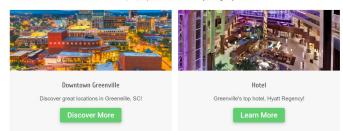
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Speaking of webinars, I'm currently setting the schedule for 2022. Five of the eleven slots have been filled and I'll fill the rest at the PRI Show so if you're interested in doing a webinar, be sure to contact me before PRI to hold a spot.

Convention information is also more visual and with the link "buttons," making it easier to find information on the convention hotel and the city we'll be in. For 2022, that will be the Hyatt Regency Greenville and the city of Greenville, South Carolina.

2022 Convention in Greenville, South Carolina

The 2022 PERA convention will be in Greenville, SC, September 20-23 at the Hyatt Regency Greenville



There's also a quick link to our Galleries Page where you'll find album's going back to the 2015 convention in Toronto. You can always access the various pages by clicking on the menu selection at the top of the home page.

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On the Webinars page you'll find links to over 70 webinar recordings. Yes, we've hosted over 70 webinars since September of 2013.

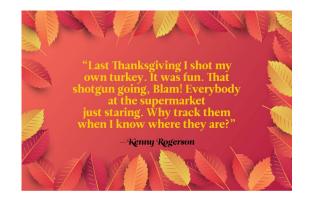
Resources Page

Newsletters are listed on the Resources page going back to February 2014. If you missed any you can always go to this page to read and download.

Take some time to look over the fresh, new website and let me know your thoughts. Are we missing important information? Does something not look right? Send me your feedback please.



Here's wishing everyone a very happy and safe Thanksgiving holiday next week!



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