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## 2026 Convention: Springfield, MO

September 23-25, 2026

The Program Planning Committee is busy preparing an exceptional experience for this year's PERA Convention in Springfield, Missouri. While the full agenda is still in progress, here's a first look at what you can expect.

### Tours & Programming

We're excited to offer four facility tours, split between Thursday and Friday afternoons. Attendees will visit SRC Automotive on Thursday, paired with one of the following facilities: P1 Manufacturing, SRC Heavy Duty, LKQ Remanufacturing – MO.

We're also pleased to welcome back Steve Baker from the Great Game of Business. He will lead a two-hour follow-up session to his highly rated Minneapolis presentation—this time integrating insights gathered from the tours to create an even more dynamic, interactive program.

### Hotel & Travel Information

Updated lodging and travel details for Springfield - along with information about the Doubletree - are available at [www.pera.org](http://www.pera.org). You may reserve your room at any time using our dedicated link or by calling the hotel directly. Be sure to use our **group code: CDT90H** to receive the negotiated PERA convention rate.

### Friday Night Event

We'll celebrate the conclusion of PERA's 80th Annual Convention with a fun evening at BigShots Golf, now part of the Topgolf family. It's guaranteed to be another great chance to show off your swing—just like in Greenville back in 2022! Stay tuned for more to come!

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Summary of an article first published February 11, 2026, in AMN aftermarketNews by Jeff White, Managing Editor of Counterman

The automotive aftermarket gained important momentum this week as the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade advanced the Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair (REPAIR) Act (H.R. 1566).

**The REPAIR Act**—championed by Rep. Neal Dunn (R-FL)—seeks to preserve consumer choice, ensure fair competition, and secure independent access to vehicle repair and maintenance data. The bill passed by voice vote after debate, with all proposed amendments withdrawn.

Both MEMA Aftermarket Suppliers and the Auto Care Association applauded the Subcommittee's decision, calling it a major step toward protecting consumer rights and supporting independent repairers. Key provisions of the REPAIR Act include equal access to vehicle-generated data and diagnostic information for consumers and their chosen repair shops; protection against technological or contractual barriers that limit independent repair capabilities; support for consumer ownership of vehicle data; helping maintain competitive pricing and availability of service options. Federal oversight to prevent unfair or deceptive practices that could restrict repair access. Industry leaders praised the bipartisan collaboration behind the bill. Auto Care Association President Bill Hanvey emphasized the legislation's impact on strengthening consumer choice and supporting thousands of independent shops nationwide.

### What Happens Next?

The REPAIR Act now moves to the full House Energy and Commerce Committee for further deliberation—a crucial next step in the legislative process. The bill's sponsors, including Rep. Dunn, have expressed commitment to refining the bill while preserving its core intent.

## Legislative Update: REPAIR Act Advances in House Subcommittee



## The Great Game of Business® Upcoming Learning Opportunities

**Steve Baker, Vice President of The Great Game of Business®**, delivered an energizing presentation at the 2025 PERA Convention, earning an enthusiastic response from our members. If you're ready to take the next step, consider immersing yourself in The Great Game of Business® through a hands-on, 2.5-day workshop in Springfield, Missouri—the birthplace of the Game.

Participants will explore the Living Lab (SRC) and connect with experienced Great Game practitioners through interactive tours, executive and employee panels, and a live Huddle simulation. It's a powerful way to see open-book management come to life.

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### UPCOMING PROGRAM DATES:

- MARCH 17–19, 2026
- JUNE 23–25, 2026
- NOVEMBER 10–12, 2026
- JANUARY 12–14, 2027

In addition, The Great Game of Business®, Conference—featuring practitioner-led sessions from leaders who have successfully “played the Game” for decades—will be held September 2–4 in St. Louis, MO, just ahead of PERA.

These events provide deep, practical training that complements what we explore in PERA sessions.

## People in the News!



**Hastings Manufacturing** is pleased to announce the return of Jeff Guenther as Director of Sales for the USA and Canada, marking an exciting moment for both the company and its customers. Jeff brings 40 years of engine aftermarket experience, including 35 years previously spent at Hastings, further strengthening the company's expertise and long-standing commitment to customer success. In his new role, Jeff will lead initiatives centered on accelerating growth, deepening customer relationships, and further elevating the Hastings brand throughout key markets. He will report to Jay Kedia, Global Vice President of Sales and Marketing.



**Leadership Promotions at SRC Automotive and Springfield Remanufacturing Corp.** **Dustin Davenport** has transitioned from his role as General Manager at Springfield Remanufacturing Corp. (SRC Heavy Duty) to become the new General Manager of SRC Automotive. Davenport joined SRC in 2015 and has served in key engineering and operations leadership roles. He is a graduate of the University of Arkansas and an SRC Leading Edge leadership alumnus. He also contributes to the community through youth cycling and nonprofit board service.



**Grant Seifried**, previously Director of Sales and Marketing, has been promoted to General Manager at SRC Heavy Duty. In his seven years with the company, Seifried has driven major growth initiatives—including expanding the sales team, launching the Reman Tech Center, developing new distribution channels, and adding OEM customers. He holds degrees from Evangel University and Drury University and serves on multiple community and industry boards.



**Matt Ollila** has been promoted to Director of Sales and Marketing at SRC Heavy Duty after joining the company in 2025 as Engines Business Unit Manager. Ollila brings over a decade of experience with global brands, where he generated significant revenue gains through strategic sales and operations initiatives. He holds a bachelor's degree in supply chain management from Michigan State University and is passionate about financial literacy and employee ownership.

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## Product News



### **JASPER® Expands Availability of Stellantis 5.7L HEMI eTorque MDS-Delete Engines**

Jasper Engines & Transmissions is pleased to announce an expanded availability of its remanufactured Stellantis 5.7L HEMI eTorque MDS-Delete engine. These engines are now offered for the following late-model RAM 1500 applications:

- Stellantis 5.7L HEMI eTorque MDS-Delete – 2019–2022.5 RAM 1500
- Stellantis 5.7L HEMI eTorque MDS-Delete – 2022.5–2024 RAM 1500

“Due to increased OE security measures, customers will need to send in their ECM to HP Tuner for an unlocking procedure before it can be modified,” said Brad Boeglin, JASPER New Product Development Group Leader. “In addition, customers must purchase a Smart Access Cable and connect it to the Security Module to complete the vehicle calibration.”

All MDS-Delete applications have undergone rigorous emission testing and are SEMA-certified for 49-state compliance. These remanufactured engines are backed by JASPER’s nationwide, transferable parts and labor warranty—up to 3 years or 100,000 miles. Full warranty details are available online or upon request.

For more information on JASPER’s complete line of remanufactured engines, call 800.827.7455 or visit [www.jasperengines.com](http://www.jasperengines.com).

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## Product News



### **Cloyes® Product News February 23, 2026: Timing Chain and Tensioner Releases**

For more than a century—since 1921—Cloyes has been committed to engineering excellence, delivering innovative and reliable timing solutions to the automotive aftermarket. This month, we're proud to expand our product lineup with new OE-quality components designed for a broad range of modern vehicles. Our latest release includes timing chains, guides, tensioners, and complete timing sets engineered for:

- Late-model BMW applications (2019–2024)
- Dodge models
- Hyundai and Kia applications (2011–2014)

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## Product News



### **Enginetech® Introduces Fire-Seal Premium Gaskets**

Announcing the launch of the new **Enginetech Premium Gasket** line, designed to deliver exceptional sealing performance in even the most demanding rebuild environments.

#### **Why Fire-Seal Premium? Premium materials. Premium protection. Premium performance.**

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## Product News



### **Sunnen Introduces the New PGA-1000 Air Gage — Advancing Precision in Bore Measurement**

Sunnen Products Company, a worldwide leader in high-precision bore finishing and measurement, is proud to announce the **launch of the PGA-1000 Air Gage**, a major expansion of Sunnen's comprehensive bore gaging portfolio. This new benchtop system delivers exceptional performance, reliability, and confidence—empowering manufacturers who depend on precise dimensional measurement.

**Intuitive Design for Smarter Measurement** At the core of the PGA-1000 is a 5-inch full-color touchscreen, designed for fast setup and effortless operation. Users benefit from real-time quality monitoring; built-in SPC (Statistical Process Control) tools; data storage and export via USB or PC connection; and easy documentation and traceability for quality systems.

**Adaptability is engineered throughout the system**, including standard changeable orifices for multiple air probe types; front-mounted probe ports for fast, error-free setup; optional vertical probe stands, hose adapters, I/O modules, and foot pedals; and configurable layouts to match shop requirements and operator ergonomics

**Built for Reliability and Tough Environments** The PGA-1000's rugged housing and precision filter regulator ensure stable, dependable performance even on demanding shop floors. Compatibility with both metric and inch units allows easy integration into diverse workflows, industries, and global operations.

**Flexible Display Modes for Any Inspection Scenario** Operators can choose from multiple visualization options, including numerical readout, bar graph displays, analog dial view, tolerance and historic curve modes. This flexibility ensures the PGA-1000 adapts to both operator preference and part-specific requirements.

**A Confident Step Forward in Dimensional Metrology** With the introduction of the PGA-1000 Air Gage, Sunnen steps forward as a bold new contender in the benchtop air gaging market—backed by the trust and expertise of its industry-leading support team. The PGA-1000 represents Sunnen's long-standing commitment to quality, innovation, and precision in manufacturing measurement. Manufacturers now have a powerful new option that delivers the reliability, flexibility, and accuracy they depend on—along with the confidence that comes from Sunnen's proven legacy.

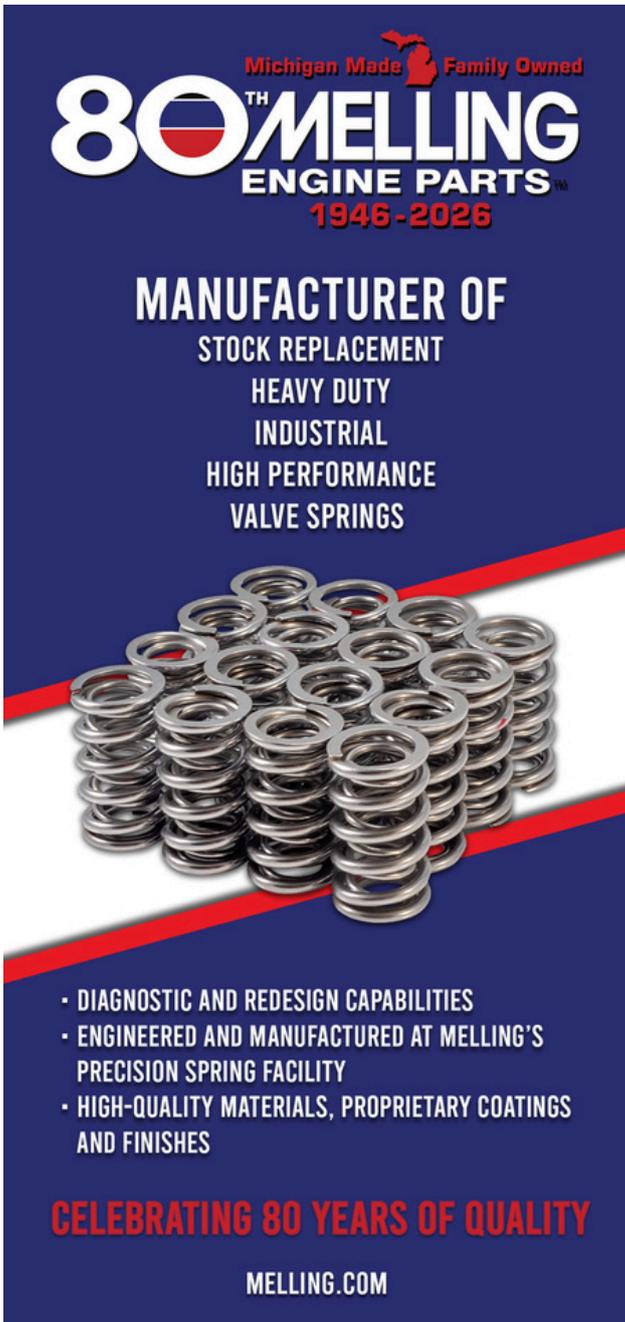
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**2026 Webinar Series**

Our 2026 PERA Webinar Series is one of our strongest ever! Each session is free—for both attendees and presenters—and attendance continues to impress. We’re averaging 350+ registrations, with several webinars drawing 700–900 participants.

**Webinar Schedule**

- Jan 21: P1 Manufacturing — Fasteners
- Feb 18: Brian Tooley Racing — Camshafts
- Mar 18: Holley — Front Drive Accessories
- Apr 15: Rotomaster — Turbochargers
- May 20: Holley — Carburetion Part 2
- Jun 17: CWT — Crankshafts
- Jul 15: RMC — Live Demo on Run-In Stand
- Aug 19: AERA — Harmonic Balancers
- Sept: No webinar — Convention Month
- Oct 21: Earl’s — Plumbing
- Nov 18: CWT — Randy Neal
- Dec: Open — PRI Week



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