



Mission Statement: Helping the manufacturers
of North Central Ohio prosper through
Education and Networking

NEWSLETTER
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President's Message

Much has happened in both our nation and in Manufacturing over the past 3 months. With the change in governmental power there are several indicators showing that things will be different. The stock market has shown significant growth. There is a deeper focus on military and law enforcement and a sense of nationalism has brought 'Made in America' to the forefront of discussions. I believe these ideals will bring manufacturing back to the spotlight as evidenced by the President holding several meetings with manufacturing and business CEO's.

We may be at the cusp on improvement that has not been seen for a while and the RMC will be here to help it's members continue to grow in safety, quality, delivery and cost.

In the past months, the RMC has hosted the annual dinner auction raising funds for education, we've coordinated educational events such as proper lifting tools and tow motor training and we have both safety and workforce events planned.

Please check out the event schedule later in this newsletter and keep watch ways in which the RMC can come along side your company to make you more successful.

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Upcoming Events

March 8

Mfg. Forum – Global Political Risks
Gorman-Rupp Co.

March 23

Sparc Your 'A' Game
Co-sponsored with SPARC
Reservations required
Mid-Ohio Conference Center

March 30 & 31

OSHA 10 Hour Class
Reservations required
Gorman-Rupp Co.

April 6

Business B4 Hours
Richland Newhope Industries

April 21

Quarterly meeting
Gorman-Rupp Co.

RMC Annual Meeting

I am pleased to tell you that we had a record number of people attend the dinner (108) and netted a record amount (\$6,028.14) from the dinner and Silent Auction. This money will be used to support our member educational efforts, scholarships, robotics, Rising Stars, etc programs we help support. Thank you to all who had any part in putting the event together, attending, purchasing, donating items or in any other way supported our efforts. It was a really fun evening as well. If you weren't able to make it, I hope you can next year!

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Bob Schmidt from Magnet is actively recruiting for Jan Miller's replacement. If you, or someone you know would be interested in finding out more about the position, please contact Bob directly at:

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Manufacturing Forums

We are always looking for topics of interest to you, our members. Please drop me an e-mail if there is any particular subject you would like to have covered in a future event. We would love to hear your ideas. I would also be interesting in hearing if there is a particular place you would like to have a Business B4 Hours tour.

Melanie
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Interesting Information from the Ohio Manufacturers Assoc.

[Businesses tell Ohio congressman import tax plan would hurt](#)

COLUMBUS (AP) - Some retailers worried that a contentious proposed tax on imports would hurt business have voiced concerns to an Ohio

congressman who's on a tax-writing legislative committee.

Youngstown Vindicator -
2/25/2017 Reporter **Associated Press**

[Millennials wonder: 'Where's my money going?'](#)

Millennials could be risking their financial future as they craft ways to tackle their student loans, car payments and credit card debt.

Newark Advocate - 2/27/2017

[Future of power plants is pricey concern for investors](#)

Investors putting billions of dollars into natural gas-fired electric plants in Ohio say they're concerned state legislators might make their investments virtually worthless by re-regulating the state's electric industry.

Crains Cleveland Business -
2/27/2017 Reporter **Dan Shingler**

[Proposed Ohio rules would limit marijuana purchases](#)

COLUMBUS - Ohioans with qualifying medical conditions could buy 4 to 6 ounces of marijuana plant material, and varying amounts of marijuana-infused oils, patches and edibles based on THC content, under proposed state medical marijuana rules.

Cincinnati Enquirer -
2/25/2017 Reporter **Alan Johnson**

[Health law likely to cover fewer](#)

WASHINGTON - A draft Republican bill replacing President Barack Obama's health care law would end its Medicaid expansion, scrap fines on people not buying insurance and eliminate taxes on the medical industry and higher earners.

Columbus Dispatch -
2/25/2017 Reporter **Alan Fram**

[Personal View: New data show economic impact of immigrants](#)

New American Economy, an immigration reform advocacy organization, last week launched "Map the Impact" - a campaign to highlight the vital economic contributions of immigrants in communities across the country.

Crains Cleveland Business -
2/27/2017 Reporter **Joe Cimperman**

[State, cities differ on proposed income tax changes](#)

NEWARK - Ohio Tax Commissioner Joe Testa said he expects opposition from municipalities to the governor's income tax proposal. The mayors of Newark and Heath are living up to his expectations.

Newark Advocate - 2/25/2017 Reporter **Kent Mallett**

[GOP effort could ax prevailing wage rule for construction workers](#)

COLUMBUS - Ohio's cities, townships and counties could decide to pay construction workers less than the state-mandated prevailing wage under a new GOP proposal - one that a union leader says abandons the blue-collar mandate from the election of President Donald Trump.

Cincinnati Enquirer -
2/24/2017 Reporter **Chrissie Thompson**

[Ohio businesses say border-adjustment tax plan will hurt, not help](#)

The notion of taxing goods imported into this country has Ohio retailers and business executives more than a little concerned. At a roundtable discussion on Thursday, several said that the proposed border adjustment tax could significantly hurt - or even destroy - them.

Columbus Dispatch -
2/24/2017 Reporter **Tim Feran**

[Editorial: Free tests give boost to students](#)

Ohio's newest experiment in education - paying for every 11th-grader to take the ACT or SAT college-admission test - might produce unexpected results.

Columbus Dispatch - 3/3/2017

[Mike Pence tells Ohio business executives Obamacare will be repealed and replaced](#)

SPRINGDALE, Ohio -- Vice President Mike Pence promised small business executives in Ohio on Thursday that the Trump administration will "lift the weight of Obamacare" off them and U.S. families with a better plan that puts the American people first.

Cleveland Plain Dealer - 3/3/2017

[Trump's fast-track deportations face legal hurdle: Do unauthorized immigrants have a right to a hearing before a judge?](#)

The Trump administration's plan for putting hundreds of thousands of recent migrants in the country illegally onto a fast track for deportation is likely to trigger the next major legal battle over immigration enforcement.

LA Times - 3/3/2017 Reporter **David Savag**

[Senator Sherrod Brown wants a host of improvements for US workers](#)

WASHINGTON - Sen. Sherrod Brown wants voters to feel that Democrats are the party of working Americans - and he's got 77 pages aimed at showing them why.

Columbus Dispatch -
3/3/2017 Reporter **Jessica Wehrman**

[Ohio Sen. Brown to announce push for \\$15 minimum wage today at OSU](#)

Sen. Sherrod Brown wants voters to feel that Democrats are the party of working Americans - and he's got 77 pages aimed at showing them why. The Ohio Democrat will announce a sweeping plan aimed at improving conditions for working Americans in a speech at the John Glenn College of Public Affairs on the campus of the Ohio State University this morning.

Dayton Daily News -
3/3/2017 Reporter **Jessica Wehrman**

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