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PRESSing NEWS

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Spotlight of the Month: Josh Wright

Our Associate Spotlight this month shines on Josh Wright, who works in our brake press department and has been with Valco (this time that is) since October 2106. Josh originally started at Valco in 2009.

Josh was born and raised in Springfield, attended the Springfield City Schools and graduated from North High School (Go Panthers) in 2003. During his senior he was on the high school bowling team, which was the first year bowling became a school athletic sport. Josh also played a great deal of softball during those years participating in a number of different leagues.

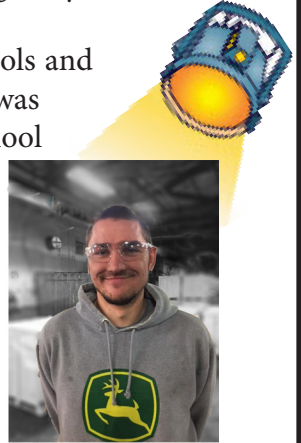
While attending high school Josh worked at the Disabled American Veterans Hall on Route 4 doing janitorial work. This was work he did before the start of school each day. During his high school years he also worked part time at National Links golf course doing a variety of different jobs.

Josh worked at Pratt Industries operating an Embra Feeder, which is a machine that makes corrugated cartons and boxes. He also spent time working at EB Brown filling cigarette orders. He left Valco in 2014 to become an aluminum siding installer but soon realized this might not be the career for him. Luckily for us he decided operating a brake press at Valco was a much better way to earn a living.

For a number of years Josh was known for his continuously changing hair colors and styles. As you can see from his picture those days are long gone. Josh is married to Maggie and is the proud father of five children, ages 1 to 6. Talk about a guy who was busy for five or six years. His twin sons Carter and Cannon are one, Cooper is 2 years old, Journie is 3 and Colt is 6. Much of Josh's free time now is spending time with family.

His hobbies, besides having five children, is playing softball and bowling. At one time Josh played softball five nights a week, but those days are over. Josh learned to operate our brake presses by watching others and then having current operators, at that time, teach him and work with him till he became proficient on all aspects of its operation.

We are glad to have Josh back as part of the Valco Team as he does a great job operating our Trumpf brake press. We look forward to having him as part of the team for many years to come.



Product of the Month



This series of parts were produced at Valco for a customer that specializes in Power

Systems for Armored Vehicles, as well as other markets. They serve multiple functions, such as positioning solenoids and actuators in line with the throttle, providing mounts for relays, protecting engine components from direct water and debris, and as a safeguard for the user from moving parts.



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We would like to recognize Mike Bell, who braved the icy cold water in Cheboygan, MI for charity. By taking the "plunge", Mike helped raise nearly \$10,000 for the Michigan Special Olympics. Well done for a Buckeye in the state up north...





Charlotte Brickles March 18th
Angie Judy March 20th

We wish Charlotte and Angie a great day on their special day and an even better year. Here's hoping their new year is one of good health, lots of laughs, and much personal and professional success. We wish each of you many more in the years to come.

Years of Service

Toby Clark March 3 . . . 3 Years
Jim Neidhardt . . March 14 . 6 Years
Lita Wood . . March 24 . . 14 Years!!

We thank each of you for your many contributions to Valco's success and growth and we look forward to working with each of you in the years ahead. Thanks for all you have done and continue to do each and every day.

10 (More) Tips to Start 2017 off on a Positive Note and Healthy Path!

1. Live your purpose. Remember why you do what you do. We don't get burned out because of what we do. We get burned out because we forget why we do it.

2. There's no such thing as an overnight success. Anything worthwhile takes time to build.

3. Trust that everything happens for a reason and expect good things to come out of challenging experiences.

4. Implement the No Complaining Rule. If you are complaining, you're not leading.

5. Read more books than you did in 2016. I happen to know of a few good ones. :)

6. Don't seek happiness. Instead live with love, passion and purpose and happiness will find you.

7. Focus on "Get to" vs "Have to." Each day focus on what you get to do, not what you have to do. Life is a gift not an obligation.

8. The next time you "fail" remember that it's not meant to define you. It's meant to refine you.

9. Smile and laugh more. They are natural anti-depressants.

10. Enjoy the ride. You only have one ride through life so make the most of it and enjoy it.

Welcome TO THE TEAM!

Welcome to Logan Mood who started on February 20th and is working as a press brake operator on first shift.



Welcome to David Shaffer who started on January 19th in a production support position.



It is great having Logan and David as part of the Valco Team and we look forward to working with them in the months and years ahead.

Great Quotes

"Don't let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do."
John Wooden

"It is fun to do the impossible."
Walt Disney

"Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference."
Winston Churchill

"Progress always involves risks. You can't steal second base and keep your foot on first."
Frederick Wilcon

"Life may not be the party we hoped for; but while we're here we should dance."
Unknown

Hang On! Spring Is Just Around The Corner!



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