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Spotlight of the Month: Richard Ater

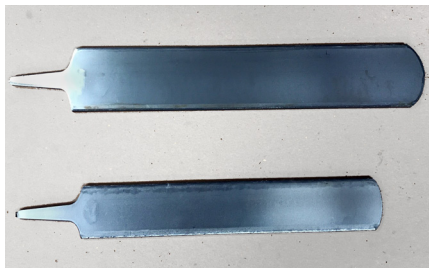
Our Associate Spotlight this month shines on Richard Ater who has been part of the Valco Team since December 2016. Richard works in our welding department on first shift. He was born in Xenia, Ohio and raised in Cedarville. Richard attended Cedar Cliff High School where he graduated with 39 other classmates in 1983. Believe it or not 40 students was the largest graduating class they had up to that time. Richard was part of the basketball team that won the division three state championship in 1980. He also played baseball during all four years of high school. Richard also attended the Greene County Joint Vocation School where he spent two years in their welding program and graduated from there in 1983.



His first job after high school was with Cramer Metal Company in London, Ohio where he spent the next two years welding a variety of different fabricated parts. He then went to work for Buckeye Steel in Columbus where he spent the next 30 years. During his 30 years at Buckeye Steel he continued to live in Springfield and commuted to work each day. He was forced to leave when Buckeye Steel closed their business. It was soon after that closing that we were lucky enough to have Richard join Valco as part of our welding department. Believe it or not for the past 10 years Richard has also been a delivery driver for the Deer Road Pizza Hut where he continues to work about 20 hours each week. He has one daughter, Blair, who is 28 and is a special education teacher at Keifer Alternative School as well as a junior high school cheerleader coach in the Springfield City Schools. He is the proud grandparent of Haylin who is eight.

In the little spare time he has Richard is an avid Harley Davidson motorcycle rider where he spends most of his Sundays. We feel very fortunate to have someone with Richard's welding skills and experience as part of our Team and look forward to working with him for a lot more years to come.

Product of the Month



These are two examples of a file blank which Valco produces in the stamping department. These file blanks are produced for a local manufacture of files and sharpening equipment. There are several numbers of various lengths and widths. They range in lengths from 10" to 20". The most interesting factor is that they are mostly used in the farrier business. We stamp approximately 350,000 per year. Where do all the horses come from?

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Jett Van Culin who graduated from CTC on May 18. He majored in their carpentry and building trades program. Jett's home school was Nightingale Montessori.

Brennen Kumbusky who graduated from CTC on May 18. He majored in their welding program. Brennen's home school was Greenon.

Congratulations also to Brennen Kumbusky who won First Place in the Welding Rodeo that recently was held at our Career Technology Center (CTC). Brennen will now be working full-time at Valco since he has graduated. Well done!

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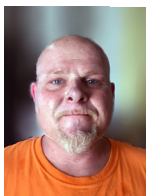
Robin Freeman June 7th
Lita Wood June 13th
Jamie Callan June 17th

Here's hoping you each have a great day and an even better year filled with good health, lots of laughs and much success. Enjoy your special time of year.

Years of Service

Denise Gordin . . . June 20 . . . 12 Years!!
Dave Montgomery . June 24 . 13 Years!!
Jon Young June 25 15 Years!!
Mike Bell June 27 6 Years
Lonnie Cook June 30 3 Years

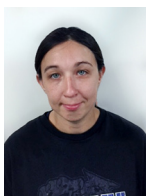
What a great month for hiring some great people. Thanks for all each of you do every day for our customers and to make Valco better. Your many efforts and your many years of being part of the Valco Team are greatly appreciated. Looking forward to working together in the years ahead.



Scott Fraley who started on May 8 as part of our grinding department.



John Fetchko who started on April 25th as part of our welding team.



Mallory Fox who started on May 22nd and is part of our production support department.

We wish them all the best in their new positions and we look forward to working with them in the months and years to come.



We will be celebrating our first 2017 Summer Holiday, Memorial Day, on Monday, May 29th. This is a paid holiday for all full time Valco Associates who have been with us for at least 90 days. We will be returning to normal production schedules and hours on Tuesday, May 30th. Hopefully the weather will co-operate so we can take full advantage of having the day off. Be sure to be safe and smart out there. Enjoy the long holiday weekend.

Saturday, August 12th will be the third annual Rotary Club Food Truck event at Veterans Park. This year promises to be better than ever so make plans to attend. They are expecting to have 40 different food trucks participating so there will be a wide variety of foods to taste as well as continuous free entertainment. This is always a great time and will take place rain or shine. The dollars raised are used for many programs that impact our local community.



The 2017 Springfield Summer Arts Festival will start on Friday, June 9th with Springfield's own Griffin House kicking things off and will close six weeks later on Saturday, July 15 with a performance by Big Bad Voodoo Daddy (who ever that is). Most of the shows, performances, and events take place at Veterans Park (by the Springfield Museum of Art). Performances go on rain or shine and normally begin at 8:00 p.m. As always all performances and events are FREE so plan on taking advantage of six weeks of free entertainment. Pass the Can intermission donations are optional but certainly giving what you can helps to fund the 6 week festival. You can get a complete listing of all shows and events by going to their web page at www.springfieldartscouncil.org.

Great Quotes

As I grow older, I pay less attention to what people say. I just watch what they do."
Andrew Carnegie

"I've always tried to go a step past wherever people expected me to end up."
Beverly Sills

"Some people feel the rain. Others just get wet."
Bob Marley

"Laughter is the best medicine."
Anonymous

"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."
Eleanor Roosevelt