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PRESSing NEWS

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Spotlight of the Month: Mike Rollins

Our associate spotlight this month shines on **Mike Rollins** who is working in the brake press department on second shift. Mike has been part of the Valco Team since the first week of May of this year. He was born in Rock Island, Illinois but moved to Springfield when he was a young child. He attended South High School (Go Wildcats).

He took his first job with McDonald's where he worked for the next 12 years. When he started at McDonald's he worked in variety of areas but soon was moved into full-time maintenance. Mike worked on all of the different equipment that is typically at a McDonald's and was responsible for keeping everything operational.

After 12 years (and probably lots of Big Macs and Quarter Pounders), Mike took a job with Tech II on West County Line Road. Tech II is a large injection molding company and Mike was responsible for the servicing and keeping all of their injection molding equipment running as smoothly as possible. After three years with Tech II, Mike took a job with Topre when they first opened their doors. He was a line operator and helped to operate different stamping presses. After nearly 10 months Mike decided the hours required were more than he wanted to put in on a weekly basis. Luckily for Valco a friend of Mike's who works at Valco recruited him to join us. After working in several different areas, he was moved to the brake press department where he is learning to operate our brake presses.

Mike has two children, a son Peyton who is 15 and attends Springfield High School and a son Scotty who is 23 and works at Topre. In his spare time Mike enjoys drawing, working on model cars, repairing cars, spending time with his family and two dogs. He has enjoyed working at Valco his first month and has found the people he works with to be very friendly, helpful, and good teachers. He enjoys learning about and operating the brake presses and improving every day.

We are very happy to have Mike with us and look forward to working with him in the upcoming months and years ahead and wish him well on his new position.



Product of the Month



This month's product feature is "The Rotator", which is designed to aid in the assembly and disassembly of engines and production parts. All the component parts are programed, nested, lasered, and bent by Valco, and then powder coated by A&E. The shaft is 3" in diameter and supported by two 12,000 pound bearings. It is attached to a gearbox that generates 1000 ft-lbs of torque with integrated DC injection and magnetic braking for complete control of the large assemblies. It is foot pedal operated with adjustable speed and reversible direction. Boasting 8 casters housed and protected by the 3/8" thick steel legs, the unit glides across uneven floors with ease and are rated in total for 10,000 lbs. Valco would like to thank our long-time customer/partner for letting us be a part of their special machines and custom design units. Their faith in our fabrication abilities and "can do attitude" is greatly appreciated.

Welcome TO THE TEAM!



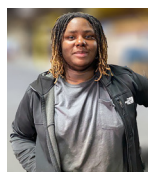
Michael Rollins started May 4 on second shift as part of our production dept.



Ronda Coleman started on May 10 on first shift as part of our production dept.



Austin Pendleton started April 26 on first shift as part of our welding dept.



Elijah Muhammad started April 26 on first shift as part of our production support dept.



Paul McDonald started May 3 on second shift as part of our production support dept.

We are glad to welcome our newest associates. We wish them well in their new positions and look forward to working with them in the months and years ahead.



Ed Ledent June 11th
 Jeremiah Staup June 11th
 Paul Blevins June 12th
 Jamie Callan June 17th

We wish each of you a Very Happy Birthday and hope you have a great day on your special day and an even better year. We hope your new year is one of good health with lots of laughs and much personal and professional success. We also wish each of you many more birthday celebrations in the years ahead. Enjoy your special day!

Years of Service

Bill Brougher . . . June 1 4 years
 Josh Dennin June 15 1 year
 Maddy Asper June 18 3 years
 Denise Gordin . . . June 20 16 years!!
 Brendon Wade . . June 22 1 year
 Dave Montgomery . . June 24 17 years!!
 Jon Young June 25 . . . 19 years!!
 Mike Bell. June 27 . . . 10 years!!

Wow! It looks like June was a great month to have hired some great people for the Valco Team. We thank each of you for all you have done and continue to do for Valco and our many customers. Your many contributions have been a major reason for our growth and continued success over the years and are greatly appreciated. We look forward to continuing to work with each of you in the years ahead.



This year we will be celebrating Memorial Day, our first holiday in 2021, on Monday, May 31st. This of course is a paid holiday for all full-time associates. We hope each of you will get to spend the day with family and friends doing the things you enjoy most (besides working at Valco). Have a great extended holiday weekend and be smart and safe out there. Take a few minutes to think about the real meaning of Memorial Day besides not having to work. Normal work schedules and hours will resume on Tuesday, June 1. After taking a year off due to the pandemic the Memorial Day parade will once again take place on Memorial Day.



The Springfield Arts Council Summer Arts Festival will be returning this summer to Veterans Park. This year it is being planned as a four-week festival and will be run from July 1-24. For updates on the upcoming festival, including health and safety regulations, go to the Arts Council's webpage at www.springfieldartscouncil.org.

Thursday, July 1 – The K-Tel All-Stars
 Friday, July 2 – Griffin House
 Saturday, July 3 – Parrots of the Caribbean

Tuesday, July 6 and Wednesday, July 7 – Youth Arts Ambassadors present “Godspell Jr. The Musical”

Thursday, July 8 – The PettyBreakers, Tribute to Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers

Friday, July 9 – Joe Mullins and the Radio Ramblers

Saturday, July 10 – Soul Legends featuring Tia Seay and Mother's Collective

Sunday, July 11 – Springfield Symphony Orchestra

Wednesday, July 14 – Fourth Avenue acapella vocal band

Thursday, July 15 – Cincinnati Shakespeare Company presents “A Midsummer Night's Dream”

Friday, July 16 – Urban Jazz Coalition

Saturday, July 17 – Brass Tracks Band

Sunday, July 18 – Nehemiah Foundation presents “When Springfield Sings”

Wednesday, July 21 – Cirque-Tacular!

Thursday, July 22 – The Sly Band

Friday, July 23 – (to be announced) with special guests, The Mad cap Puppets

Saturday, July 24 – Phil Dirt and the Dozers

Great Quotes

“I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” *Maya Angelou*

“The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand.” *Vince Lombardi*

“Courage is learning what not to fear.” *Plato*

“A man is not old until regrets take the place of dreams.” *John Barrymore*

“The greatest discovery of my generation is that human beings can alter their lives by altering their attitudes of mind.” *William James*

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