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PRESSing NEWS

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Spotlight of the Month: Maddie Asper

Our Associate Spotlight this month shines on Madeline Asper (Maddie), who has been part of the Valco Team since her senior year at CTC. Maddie was born and raised in Springfield and attended Catholic Central High School. For her junior and senior year she enrolled at CTC in their two year welding program. Maddie says for whatever reason she has always wanted to become a welder and thought enrolling at CTC was the best way to accomplish that.



Maddie started working part-time in the afternoons at Valco during her senior year. When she graduated from CTC in May 2019 she became a full-time member of our team. Maddie spent the first several months of her Valco career welding. Recently she has spent time in our assembly department and has learned to operate our robotic welders, while also becoming a member of our CNC machining department. She has enjoyed learning some new skills in the machining department and hopes going forward she will be able to continue learning and becoming more knowledgeable in both welding and CNC machining.

Maddie is the proud mother of Jax, her two year old son. When she is not working at Valco, Maddie spends all of her time with Jax trying to be the best mother she possibly can be. We are thrilled to have Maddie as part of the Valco Team and feel very fortunate we were able to connect with each other while she was attending CTC. We have also enjoyed watching Maddie's changing hair colors not knowing what color or combination might be next. We look forward to working with Maddie during the upcoming years and appreciate her willingness and desire to continually learn new skills and take advantage of the numerous training opportunities Valco has to offer.



Valco is pleased to announce that we recently installed a **Yaskawa Motoman-ArcWorld 200 Robotic Welding Cell**. This new addition goes along with our Yaskawa Motoman-ArcWorld 6000 and an ArcWorld 200 cell.

This robotic welding cell has dual workstations to allow loading/unloading on one workstation, as the robot welds at the other workstation. This technology and additional welding capabilities allows Valco to be better prepared to be involved in new opportunities and projects and be better positioned for future growth.



We recently completed our annual ISO audit, which was conducted on August 5-7th by Eagle Registrations. We are very pleased and proud to announce that we passed with flying colors, completing our 3 day ISO recertification audit with ZERO findings.

I would like to thank everyone for their hard work over the last year in preparing for this in-depth audit and for everyone's diligence in following our operating procedures. To those who were interviewed by the auditor, thank you for your courtesy and your great answers and input! Our auditor was very impressed with every person he came in contact with and each person's commitment to quality and following our written procedures. Well done Valco Team!

Dave Jenkins, Valco Quality Manager

Valco would also like to thank and congratulate Dave Jenkins, our Quality Manager, for doing such a great job on the recent 3 day audit resulting in no findings. A great achievement! We appreciate his leadership on quality and continuous improvement initiatives.



October Birthdays

Jon Young October 3
Eddie Leventhal October 19

October sure seems to be a sparse month for Valco birthdays but we still want to be sure and wish Jon and Eddie a great day on their special day and hope their new year is one of good health, lots of laughs, and lots of softball wins for Jon!

Years of Service

Larry Huxley . . . Oct. 1 . . . 13 Years!
Rob Shuman . . . Oct. 6 3 Years
William Lorenz . . . Oct.14 . . . 1 Year
Cohl McClung . . . Oct. 14 . . 1 Year
Austin Pendleton . . Oct.14 . . . 1 Year
Jerry Shingler Oct. 21 . . . 1 Year
Adrian Woodson . . Oct.23 . . 3 Years

October looks to have been a good month for hiring some great people. Thanks to each of you for being part of the Valco Team and for doing all you do each and everyday to help us grow, improve, and succeed. We appreciate your many contributions and look forward to working with each of you in the years ahead.

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VOTE 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 3rd or BEFORE is a critical day in all of our lives as it is VOTING DAY and a chance for you to be heard on numerous critical issues from choosing a county commissioner, to state and federal representatives to President of the United States. Please do not sit this one out thinking your vote does not count or matter. Every vote in fact does count.

The last day to register to vote is Monday, October 5th. You can vote early in person starting October 6 at the Turner Studio Theatre (part of Clark State Performing Arts Center) at 300 South Fountain. You can also request an absentee mail in ballot via the internet or mail.

We will be passing out a sheet of voting information in the near future so you have all of the critical information you will need to vote.

Valco is very happy to provide FREE flu shots to all Valco Associates who would like one. We, and the vast majority of medical experts, urge you to get a flu shot, which is more important this year than ever before due to the ongoing pandemic, the colder weather arriving, and the annual flu season upon us. This is a smart, easy, and free way to protect your health as well as those who you come in contact with.



We are finalizing a date for the flu shots that will be provided at Valco, but it will be during either the first or second week of October. If your current health insurance does not cover the cost of the flu shot Valco will cover the charge so you do not have to worry about the cost. Please sign up if you are going to get a flu shot so we can plan accordingly. Any questions please contact Megan or Eddie.

Welcome TO THE TEAM!



Johnathan Alas Alvarado started July 13 as part of our production support team.



Jim Powers started Sept.1 as part of our stamping department.



Joe Brower started Aug. 25 as part of our 1st shift welding department.



Sammy Nusz II started Aug. 31 as part of our stamping department.

Great Quotes

In honor and remembrance of **Ruth Bader Ginsburg**, the Supreme Court Justice. Below are a few of her most powerful and memorable quotes.

"I would like to be remembered as someone who used whatever talent she had to do her work to the very best of her ability."

"Reading is the key that opens doors to many good things in life. Reading shaped my dreams, and more reading helped me make my dreams come true."

"Fight for the things that you care about. But do it in a way that will lead others to join you."

"So often in life, things that you regard as an impediment turn out to be great, good fortune."