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FEATURED NEWS

Participate in the 2020 GAWDA Forecast Issue

Every year, the First Quarter Issue features the GAWDA Distributor and Supplier Forecasts. These forecasts are an opportunity for GAWDA members to share news about their company. It is also an opportunity to help paint as complete a picture as possible about what is in store for the gases and welding industry in 2020. The more GAWDA members that participate, the more accurate the forecast becomes. If you would like to participate, please click below.



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FABTECH 2019 to Take Place November 11-14

FABTECH brings a wealth of innovation and technology solutions to Chicago November 11-14, 2019. More than 48,000 attendees and over 1,700 exhibiting companies are expected to gather once again to celebrate metal manufacturing at its best. The event also provides educational sessions and expert-led presentations covering the latest trends and technology in the metal forming, fabricating, welding and finishing industries. Attending FABTECH? Make sure to visit the GAWDA Staff at **Booth B33080**. Let them know if there is anything you've seen or heard on the floor that would be newsworthy. As one of the largest industry shows in the world, FABTECH is a great place to potentially recruit new GAWDA members. If you notice a distributor or supplier on the floor that you believe would be a good addition to the GAWDA membership, let one of the GAWDA representatives know.



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2020 VISION

**2020 SPRING
MANAGEMENT
CONFERENCE**
APRIL 5 - APRIL 7, 2020
AUSTIN, TX

SAVE THE DATE

Mark Your Calendars

Mark your calendars for the 2020 Spring Management Conference, April 5-7, 2020 at the JW Marriott Austin in Austin, Texas. The re-imagined event will feature one day of "educational tracks" with four separate tracks, each comprising three different presentations. These tracks include: Safety & Operations, Human Resources, Technology, and Sales and Marketing. The revised format of the SMC is designed to target the needs of management and operations decision makers. For more information about the 2020 Spring Management Conference, click [here](#).



SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE

GAWDA Files Comments on Driver Hours of Service Proposal

GAWDA has filed comments with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration on the agency's proposed changes to its driver hours of service regulations. **84 Fed. Reg. 44190** (August 22, 2019). GAWDA supported expanding the short-haul exceptions in 49 CFR § 395.1(e) to allow CDL and non-CDL drivers a 14-hour daily limit under this provision to place the short-haul driver on the same duty period as a long-haul truck driver even though a short-haul driver in local distribution operations is generally not subject to the same fatigue concerns as a long-haul operator.

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GAWDA EVENTS

2020 SPRING MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE April 5 – 7, 2020

J.W. Marriott Austin
110 E 2nd Street
Austin, TX 78701

2020 ANNUAL CONVENTION September 25 – 28, 2020

J.W. Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort & Spa
5350 E Marriott Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85054

2021 SPRING MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE March 29 – 31, 2021

Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center
2800 Opryland Drive
Nashville, TN 37214

2021 ANNUAL CONVENTION October 6 – 9, 2021

The Broadmoor
1 Lake Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80906

2022 SPRING MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE April 3 – 5, 2022

JW Marriott Indianapolis

2022 ANNUAL CONVENTION October 5 – 8, 2022

Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina



INTERESTING ARTICLES

In our communications with members and research for the GAWDA publications, we often come upon links that are worth sharing. Check them out, and if you come across any interesting business or industry stories, please send them to editorial@gawdamedia.com.

Your Chance to Win Industry Night Tickets- FABTECH 2019! - Have you had a FABTECH experience in the past that transformed the way you do your job? Share it on social media and use the hashtag **#FABTECHtransform** – you could win 2 tickets to Industry Night at **#FABTECH19!** Winners will be announced on November 11th.

Construction Trades Struggling to Find Workers - The construction trades are having a tough time finding workers, according to a new report by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. The Rochester Arc and Flame Center provides training for professionals in the trade industry. The owner of the center said there are around 200,000 to 400,000 welding jobs that need to be filled.

Rosie the Riveter 2.0: Welding in Male-Dominated Industry - Rachel Miller's chestnut hair is tied up in a ponytail that slides halfway down her back. She's wearing steel-toe boots that are ripped at the seams and a plaid button-up over a gray T-shirt. Her clothing reflects a gap in women's wear, where trade uniforms are rarely made for them.

MEMBER NEWS & NEW PRODUCTS

- In Memoriam: Charlie Miller
- American Torch Tip Announces the GEN Nozzle for Laser Cutting
- Lincoln Electric Announces Joint Education Program with ASM International
- A Peak Behind the Curtain at Catalina Cylinder
- Weldcoa Hosts Cylinder Filling Operations Seminar
- Acme Cryogenics Welcomes New Sales Engineer
- TOMCO Systems Hires Chris Schmoeckel as Vice President of CryoSystems
- Holston Gases Opens New Location in Cynthiana, Kentucky
- Coastal Welding Supply Receives National Recognition
- One Equity Partners Completes Carve-Out of ORS NASCO
- General Distributing Company Adds Employees

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