

Manufacturers and Educators Come Together to Inform the Public about Regional Advanced Manufacturing

NEW ALBANY, IND. (September 28, 2015) - National Manufacturing Day is October 2, 2015. More than 12 percent of the employed adults in Clark County and 14 percent in Floyd County are employed by the manufacturing industry. Throughout the state, manufacturing accounts for approximately 25 percent of the state's economy. Manufacturing is important to all Hoosiers.

That is why One Southern Indiana's (1si) Metro Manufacturing Alliance is partnering with Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, WorkOne Southern Indiana, local companies and other partners to celebrate National Manufacturing Day on September 30, October 1 and October 2, 2015. Southern Indiana manufacturers are supporting these events as a way to inform and involve the public in learning about this important sector of the economy. Manufacturing Day is an occasion for participating manufacturers to speak directly to their local communities, particularly young adults looking for viable career options.

The celebration will begin on Wednesday, September 30, with manufacturers coming together to educate the public, with an emphasis on students, about the numerous opportunities available in the region's modern, diverse manufacturing market. Students, educators and the public will be able to take advantage of tours being provided by several local manufacturers that day. Indiana manufacturers currently registered to hold tours include:

- Amatrol, Inc. - Jeffersonville
- American Fuji Seal, Inc. - Jeffersonville
- American Plastic Molding - Scottsburg
- Beach Mold & Tool, Inc. - New Albany
- Cimtech, Inc. - New Albany
- Cyclicron, LLC - Jeffersonville
- Diverse Woodworking, LLC - Corydon
- ERL, Inc. - New Albany
- Key Electronics, Inc. - Jeffersonville
- Koetter Woodworking, Inc. - Borden
- Owings Patterns - Sellersburg
- S&J Precision Inc. - New Albany

Exhibits at the Perkins Technology Center will also include:

- Alpha Energy Solutions NASCAR
- Flexible Materials
- Ivy Tech Community College - School of Technology Mobile STEM Laboratory
- The Maker Mobile
- Samtec, Inc.
- WorkOne Southern Indiana

Thursday, October 1, will kick off at the Perkins Technology Center at the Ivy Tech Jeffersonville Campus, 1638 Production Drive in Jeffersonville, Ind., at 8:30 a.m., with tours and manufacturers exhibiting for area students. A formal press conference will take place at 10:00 a.m. Student and public tours of the center and exhibits will continue until 3:00 p.m. Students will continue to tour regional manufacturing facilities throughout Thursday, October 1 and Friday, October 2, 2015.

Manufacturers, teachers, advisors, 1si members, school officials and special guests will also celebrate on Thursday evening at a reception hosted by Harding, Shymanski & Company, P.S.C. from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at their offices located at 545 S. Third Street, Louisville, KY 40202. This event is open to the public for a \$25 fee. To register, go to www.1si.org or [click here](#).

Sponsoring partners in the Manufacturing Day 2015 events include: Harding, Shymanski & Company, P.S.C., Koetter Construction, Samtec, Inc., Alpha Energy Solutions, Owings Patterns, WorkOne Southern Indiana, Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana and Cornerstone Environmental, Health and Safety, Inc.

The public can find more information on the times, places and tours of regional manufacturing facilities by [clicking here](#). If you are a manufacturer and would like to participate in the event, please contact Kathleen Crowley at One Southern Indiana, 812-206-9026 or kathleenc@1si.org.

About One Southern Indiana:

One Southern Indiana (1si) was formed in July of 2006 as the economic development organization and chamber of commerce serving Clark and Floyd counties. 1si's mission is to provide the connections, resources and services that help businesses innovate and thrive in the Southern Indiana / Louisville metro area.

Since its inception, the organization has evolved to include a three-prong approach to serve its members and investors. Business Resources, as the chamber side of the organization, encompasses membership, signature events and programs which support and encourage business growth; Economic Development works to grow the regional economy through the attraction of new commerce and assists with retention and expansion of existing businesses; Advocacy supports businesses at the government level by engaging in the initiatives to preserve, protect and promote a business friendly environment free of obstacles to growth and development of commerce. For more information on One Southern Indiana, visit www.1si.org

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