



Tri-State Manufacturers' Association

February 2010 Meeting

DATE: **Tuesday,
February 2**

PLACE: **Wahpeton, ND**
Com Del Innovation
2100 15th St N, Wahpeton, ND

TIME:
7:30 - 9:00 AM TSMA Breakfast Meeting
9:00 - 10:00 AM Tour: Com Del Innovation
10:00 - 11:30 AM Quality Council Meeting

MENU: **Full Breakfast**
Eggbake, fresh fruit, pastries, juice and coffee.

Meeting Fee: \$15/person
TSMA requests remittance for all reservations not cancelled prior to the event.

RSVP by Friday, January 29:
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Featuring...

Guest Speaker

"Understanding Fraud in the Manufacturing Industry"
Presented by: Brett A. Johnson, Eide Bailly, LLP

Plant Tour:

Com Del Innovation/Heartland Precision

Tri-State Quality Council

"New School ISO 9000"
Presented by: Dan Nelson, T.D. Nelson

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**Meeting
Sponsor** **Online Marketing
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Join Us for a Breakfast Meeting

Come and network with your peers
in manufacturing ... and bring a guest!

PLANT TOUR

Com Del Innovation

Tour: 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Com Del Innovation or CDI as we are known began operations in December 2007. Three engineers who previously worked for 3M and Imation in the Wahpeton, ND facility worked with the city and state to keep high tech manufacturing jobs in our region. These 3 owners have the expertise to manage and grow a world class company by utilizing the technical skills and backgrounds of the people who bring the 3M/Imation heritage to the company.

Heartland Precision was established by the CDI management team after a fire in January 2008 that forced Industrial Plating Corporation of Wahpeton to shut down. With an experienced workforce from IPC and a wide variety of equipment, HP is uniquely positioned to meet customer quality, cost, and service needs on short-run, as well as high volume products in the threading business. The two organizations now have a total of 150 employees working 24/7 on a 2 building campus with 240,000 ft² of floor space.

Both CDI's and HP's distinct technology competencies include product, mold and equipment design, materials analysis, tooling fabrication, precision machining, injection molding, metal stamping and automated high speed assembly. At CDI and HP, the entire process from product concept to manufacturing is under one roof. We are able to eliminate the problems and time lags created by using multiple suppliers. We've designed efficiency into the process so that speed to market and quality can go hand-in-hand.

During the tour you will see high speed lathes, turning centers, mills and other state of the art tool building equipment. Our injection molding and assembly areas will give you a grasp of the various products produced in our facility. The thread rolling, forming and precision machining areas will allow you to see the variety of fasteners that are manufactured here.

Invite a Guest

T SMA members are encouraged to bring a potential member(s) from another company as a guest to the February meeting. Special pricing is available: \$15.00 for the member and \$5.00 for each potential member.

GUEST SPEAKER

"Understanding Fraud in the Manufacturing Industry"

Presented by: **Brett A. Johnson**, Eide Bailly, LLP

Topics Presented

- Definition of fraud
- Facts and Stats of Fraud in the Manufacturing Industry
- Real case examples of fraud in the Manufacturing Industry
- Red Flags of Fraud
- How to Prevent Fraud From Occurring in Your Business



Presenter:

Brent Johnson has five years of experience providing forensic accounting and investigative services to a variety of industries. Trained in the Wicklander Zuluski method of interview and interrogation techniques, Johnson provides fraud prevention and detection services and conducts internal control reviews. With more than 19 service stations in 9 states and 1,200 experienced professionals, Eide Bailly is one of the top 25 CPA firms in the nation.

Tri-State QUALITY COUNCIL

"New School ISO 9000"

Presented by: **Dan Nelson**, T.D. Nelson

10:00 - 11:30 AM

FREE to members and nonmembers

Learning points:

- quality, QA and QC—underlying concepts
- history/background of ISO 9000
- elemental approach vs process approach
- process approach explained
- overview of ISO 9000 requirements using the process approach
- process approach to auditing
- benefits of the process approach

Dan Nelson has been involved with ISO 9000 for over fifteen years, both as a consultant and an auditor. Holding an MA in Business Administration from the University of Iowa, he is an IRCA-certified QMS 2008 Principal Auditor. He has conducted registration audits and trained Lead Auditor candidates for years in accredited courses, also training hundreds of top-notch internal auditors. Using the process approach, He has taken scores of clients through registration to ISO 9001:1994/2000/2008 and related standards—QS 9000, AS9100, ISO 13485, and ISO 17025. He is currently available for consulting, training and auditing throughout the Midwest.

Tri-State Quality Council meetings are free and open to any company interested in discussions related to quality in a manufacturing setting.