New Developments in Plasma Arc Metal Cutting

Speaker: Patrick J. Belsole, District Sales Manager
Hypertherm, Inc.

With thousands of HyPerformance Plasma systems sold around the world, the HPR product family has become the plasma system of choice for customers who demand the most consistent cut quality, highest productivity, lowest operating cost and unmatched reliability. Pat will be speaking on the latest developments in HyPerformance technology from Hypertherm focusing on the HPR 400XD system.

Pat Belsole is the District Sales Manager for Hypertherm, Inc. Currently residing in Hershey, PA, Pat is responsible for sales and training for New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland. He attended the University of Pittsburgh and began his career in this industry in 1980, working at an air separation facility in St. Mary's, PA. In 1984, he entered the retail end of this business with MG Industries beginning this phase of his career in Bradford, PA. During his tenure with MGI he held various roles including Distribution Supervisor, Area Store Manager and Outside Sales working across the state of Pennsylvania. In 1996, he began his career with Hypertherm as District Sales Manager and has developed a territory that now encompasses four states. His current responsibilities include training and sales for over 160 locations and nearly 300 sales associates.
Chairman’s Message

I sincerely hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. We will start off 2010 by continuing the emphasis on education and professional development.

The first order of business is to begin preparations for the Skills USA contest on May 8, 2010, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We are asking for volunteers to supervise and to judge the contest. We are also seeking donations of steel and stainless steel material.

The other program that we will be implementing this year is to offer professional development hours (PDHS) for attendance at AWS NJ Section monthly meetings. It is possible to earn as many as 40 PDHS out of the 80 required for recertification, so hopefully this will benefit our members as well as increase the number of attendees at the monthly meetings. More on this as we develop the program.

James Dolan CPS/CWI, Dolan Associates
AWS NJ Section Chairman

Skills USA

Saturday, May 8, 2010
Somerset County Vocational-Technical School
Bridgewater, NJ

Plans are underway for the 2010 SkillsUSA contest. We’re looking for several adult members to help supervise, and to serve as judges. Donations of carbon and stainless steel would also be appreciated.

If you or your company can assist in any way, please email either George Sheehan: gsheehan@ucvts.tec.nj.us or, Jim Dolan: dolanjf@aol.com

Mail AWS NJ Section correspondence to: AWS NJ Section, c/o Jim Dolan, 169 Clover Hill Rd., Millington, NJ 07946
Welcome Members

The AWS NJ Section welcomes the following new members:

Twila Blake
R.S. Byers
Dale Donnell, UA Local 19
Craig Elwell
Adam C. Kambour
John Mazuca, Max Weld, LLC
Eric A. Otto, SOR Testing Labs
Paul Panzarino, Distasio & Van Buren Inc.
Joseph P. Russo, Jersey Gardens
Todd Staszak
Brett Steed
Ashley Sterni
Raymond A. Toinai
Robert A. Traver
Lance Wilson
Sasa Zonic

We look forward to seeing you. The first dinner meeting that a new member attends is complimentary.

Seminar Cancelled

The 10-hour seminar, originally scheduled in two parts for January 19th and February 16th, to meet the requirements of the OSHA General Industry Awareness program, has been cancelled due to lack of interest. This is unfortunate because the seminar contained valuable information about hazard identification, avoidance, control and prevention.

We'll keep you informed about possible future seminars.

Come as You Are

Please don’t be concerned if your clothes or boots aren’t clean after working the day of the Section meeting. The AWS knows first-hand that performing welding, cutting and related operations is often a dirty business. You are always welcome to just come as you are to take full advantage of all the benefits.

By-Law Revision

The following change is proposed to the AWS NJ Section By-laws:

Article V - Management - Section 7

Presently reads:

At all meetings of the Executive Committee, half the named members plus one shall constitute a Quorum.

Proposed change:

At all meetings of the Executive Committee, five members of the Committee shall constitute a Quorum

Voting will be in person at the January 19, 2010 Executive Committee meeting, Pantagis Renaissance/ Snuffy’s Clambar, 250 Park Ave., Scotch Plains, NJ, between the hours of 4:30 - 6:00p.m.

Ad Hoc Committee Chairman
Alfred F. Fleury
Exhibitors Invited

May 18, 2010
Manufacturers Night

The AWS NJ Section will host another of these popular local meetings that feature table-top displays of the latest in machinery, equipment, technology, materials and services. It’s a great way to keep up with new methods.

This is a great promotional opportunity for area providers of equipment, materials and services to showcase their capabilities right along side national manufacturers.

Display tables are free on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to sign-up as soon as possible. A complete list of exhibitors and their offerings will be published in upcoming issues.

If your company would like to participate as an exhibitor, contact Wyatt Mann, email: Wyatt_Mann@lincolnelectric.com

New Year’s Sabotage

Shift your thinking and win!

Most New Years resolutions fail because they are unrealistic. Ebenezer Scrooge notwithstanding, most people are creatures of habit, resistant to change, and unwilling to stray too far from their personal comfort zones. A person accustomed to sitting on a couch for hours will not eagerly spend that time at a gym instead. Even Dickens knew better than to make Scrooge go on a diet!

But, fear not—significant changes in weight, fitness, finances, and other aspects of personal or professional growth, can be achieved in small increments. Success breeds success. It’s much better to integrate a small change into your normal routine and stick with it, than to try for a major change and fail. Each small success opens a door to even greater accomplishments. So, start small and win!

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