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AERA welcomes new members

ACTIVE

- A-Ford Specialist Quto Centre, Edmonton AB CANADA
- AllDan Inc, Haltom, TX
- A-Line Auto Parts, Austin, TX
- AmeriQuest Logostics, Rowland Heights, CA
- Bells Automotive Machine Shop, Thomasville, NC
- Carquest of Grand Haven, Grand Haven, MI
- Carquest Lawrenceville, Lawrenceville, GA
- Crossley Automotive Machine, Orangeville, PA
- Earls Engine Machine, Stafford Springs, CT
- Fawcett Tractor Supply, St Marys, ON CANADA
- Gilson High Performance, Lynchburg, VA
- Hillcrest Camshaft Service, Little Rock, AR
- Hypercision Automotive, Orland Park, IL
- Kistler Farms, Colby, KS
- Mills Motor Parts and Rebuilders, Shreveport, LA
- Moreca SL, Saratan SPAIN
- Multiservico Automotriz Alanis, Morelia MEXICO
- National Cylinder Head, Falmouth, KY
- Overland Parts, Gilroy, CA
- Rap Racing, Huntington Beach, CA
- Rectificaciones Romero, Tacna PERU
- Rectificadora Mar-Lo Quito, ECUADOR
- Rectificadora de Motores Chinchilla, Grecia COSTA RICA
- Ricker Machine Shop, Hendersonville, NC
- STI Servicios SA, Edificios Cardoze y Lindo, PANAMA
- Servicios Mecanicos e Industriales, Lago Agrio ECUADOR

- Sydney Reconditioners Seven Hills, NSW, AUSTRALIA
- Valentine Automotive, Taylors, SC
- Valleros, Auburn, CA
- Washington Engine Service, Marysville, WA
- Yosemite Machine Modesto, CA

Hastings Launches Multi Warehouse e-Ring Center

Hastings Manufacturing Company, LLC, a nearly 100-year-old American manufacturer of piston rings, has announced the opening of a secure customer extranet, or "e-Ring Center," that integrates their national network of commercial warehouses. The e-Ring Center provides real-time content on product availability, order history, and the ability to place orders online. For more information, contact Hastings Mfg. Co., Hastings, MI, 800-776-1088, www.hastingsmfg.com. ■

Egge Machine CEO Ernie Silvers Awarded SEMA/ARMO Person of the Year

Egge Machine and Speed Shop CEO Ernie Silvers, was awarded ARMO's Person of the Year at the ARMO Reception held at this year's SEMA Show. As Person of the Year; Silvers was recognized by his peers for his outstanding leadership and continued contributions to the automotive restoration industry. Silvers is currently serving as ARMO's Immediate Past Chairman and has served in previous leadership positions on the ARMO Select Committee for the last four years. Silvers is currently member of the SEMA Memorial Scholarship Committee with oversight of the ARMO/Jeff Moses Scholarship, and also served on the 2008 SEMA Board of Director's Selection Committee. ■

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- Testing Dates: May 7, 12, 14
- Tests Offered: All Regular and Recertification tests

Summer Computer-Based Tests

- Registration: July 10 – August 15, 2009
- Register by phone ONLY: 1-800-525-6929
- Testing Dates: July 17 – August 22

Fall Written Tests

- Registration Deadline: September 30, 2009
- Register by mail, internet, or toll-free phone
- Testing Dates: Nov. 5, 10, 12
- Tests Offered: All Regular and Recertification tests

For more information about ASE, call 319-337-1433 or go online, www.ase.com. ■

In Memory of Angelo S. Indessi, Jr.

Angelo (Angie) Indessi passed away on September 18, 2008, at his home. Angie was born in Springfield, MA in 1924 but resided in Pittsburgh, PA and Springfield for most of his life. Angie was best known in our industry for his savyness in repair, maintenance and set-up of automotive engine rebuilding equipment. He was employed by Van Norman Machine Co. of Springfield, MA which was later pur-

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Indianapolis, IN
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MAR. 4-6 HOTROD & RESTORATION SHOW

Indianapolis, IN
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MAR. 31 ASE SPRING TEST REGISTRATION DEADLINE

ASE Written Certification Tests
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MAY 7, 12, 14 ASE SPRING TESTING

ASE Written Certification Tests
www.ase.com

JULY 15-17 PAACE AUTOMECHANIKA

Mexico City, Mexico
www.paaceautomechanika.com

SEPT. 30 ASE FALL TEST REGISTRATION DEADLINE

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NOV. 3-5 AAPEX SHOW

Sands Expo Center,
Las Vegas, NV
www.aapexshow.com

NOV. 3-6 SEMA SHOW

Las Vegas Convention Center,
Las Vegas, NV
www.semashow.com

NOV. 5, 10, 12 ASE FALL TESTING

ASE Written Certification Tests
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DEC. 10-12 PRI SHOW

Orlando, FL
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chased and became Winona Van Norman Machine Co. of Winona, MN. Angie worked as a technical expert for these companies and later moved on to work with Cal Costin Equipment of Hebron, IN and later on his own as a technical advisor to machine shops nationwide.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Shirley (Howard) Indessi, his three children, Jeanne Bobish and her husband Douglas of PA, Julie Indessi and her husband Robert Sanczel of FL and James Indessi and his companion Cindy of PA and by his granddaughter, Jessica Indessi. ■

In Memory of Terri Hartmann

Terri Hartmann passed away on November 6, 2008, at Hendrick Hospital in Abilene, TX. Terri was born in Abilene on September 26, 1947 to Jack and Jimmie (Morris) Guy. She

attended McMurry College and married Richard Edwin Hartmann in Abilene. She was the Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer of Hartmann Brothers, Inc. of Abilene. Her husband Richard Hartmann is a long-time member and past Chairman of the Board of AERA. Many of the AERA members remember Terri for her fun, kind and spirited ways. She always made the new members and board members feel welcome at AERA functions. The love of Terri's life was her family and friends. Terri believed in living life to the fullest and that whatever happened was God's plan and that things would work out for the best.

Terri is survived by her husband Richard Hartmann of Abilene; one son, Brad Hartmann and his wife Gina, one granddaughter, Allie Janice Hartmann, one grandson, Weston Jay Hartmann, and one

step-grandson, Jyrred Scott Manners, all of Abilene. ■

In Memory of Merle "Ed" Vaughan

Ed Vaughan passed away on December 1, 2008, at his home in Shawnee, KS. Ed was born in Oklahoma on December 16, 1941 and lived most of his life in the Kansas City, KS area.

Most people in our industry remember Ed as the Peterson Machine Tool Inc. Service Manager. His time at Peterson spanned 4 decades where he traveled installing and servicing Peterson/Berco equipment. Ed's knowledge and expertise along with his willingness to always help the customer made Ed an industry icon to the people he served. He traveled to shops and trade-shows across this country meeting people and building life long relationships throughout his time at Peterson. Ed will be missed by this indus-

try and the loved ones he left.

Ed is survived by his wife Marcia "Jean" Vaughan; mother, Hazel Vaughan; sons, Tim and Steve Vaughan; daughter, Theresa Vaughan; and seven grandchildren. ■

In Memory of Ricky Miller

Ricky Miller passed away on January 6, 2009, at the Acadian Medical Center in Eunice, LA. Ricky was only 18 years old and employed by AERA member shop Sattler Supply Co. Inc. of Eunice, LA.

Ricky enjoyed four-wheeler riding, trucks, cats, skateboarding and mechanics. He is survived by his parents, Ashton and Tina Meyers Miller, Jr. of Eunice; two sisters, Leah M. Daigle and husband, Ryan and Lacy A. Miller all of Eunice; his fiancé, Kaitlin LeBleu of Eunice plus numerous other family members and friends. ■

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GM 3.6L Direct Injection V-6 Engine Makes Ward's North American 'Ten Best Engines' List

General Motors' 3.6L direct injection V-6 VVT has been named to Ward's AutoWorld magazine's 2009 "Ten Best Engines" list for North America. The engine is within GM's growing portfolio of direct injection engines and part of GM's overall strategy to equip vehicles with advanced propulsion technologies that improve fuel economy and reduce emissions.

This is the second year that the magazine's editors have recognized this engine, which is in the 2008 Cadillac CTS – Motor Trend's 2008 Car of the Year – and six other models.

The award will be presented in January at the North American International Auto Show.

"I am pleased that Ward's continues to recognize our leadership in engine development and our commitment to being a leader in rolling out technology such as direct injection," said Tom

Stephens, GM executive vice president, GM Global Powertrain

and Quality. "We are aggressively focusing on improving fuel economy and reducing vehicle emissions with direct injection as well as our many other advanced engine and transmission technologies."

GM Powertrain's 3.6L V-6 VVT with direct injection is GM's highest-output

The 3.6L V-6 VVT with direct injection in the Cadillac CTS recognized for second year for delivering fuel efficiency and performance.

V-6 and one of the most fuel-efficient in GM's high-feature engine family, delivering a 3-percent fuel economy improvement over its predecessor. The 2008 CTS, when equipped with the 3.6L V-6 VVT with direct injection and six-speed automatic transmission, delivers EPA-estimated fuel economy of 17 mpg city and 26 mpg highway.

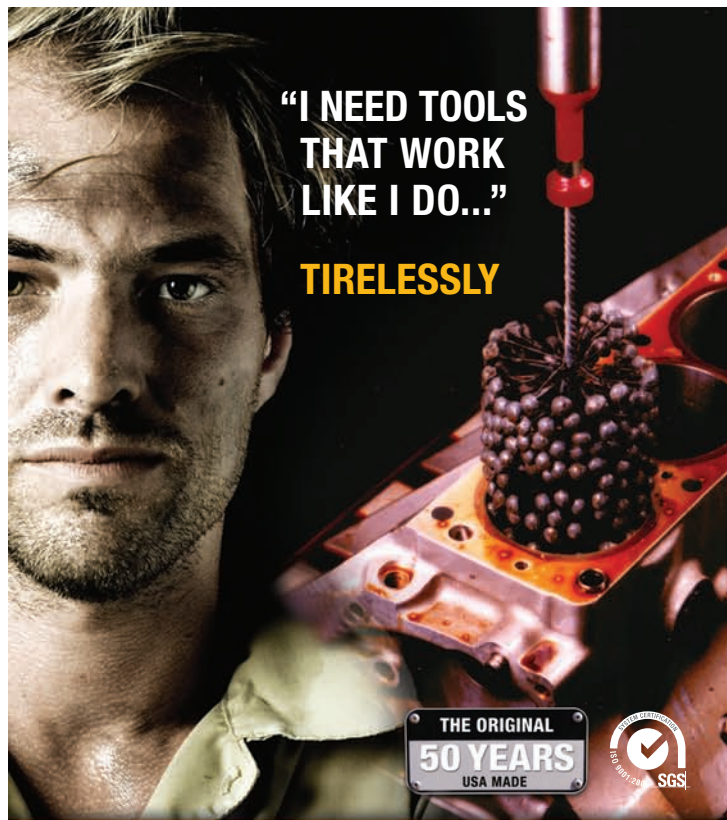
The application of direct injection also reduces cold-start hydrocarbon emissions by 25 percent.

Even with these fuel economy and emission improvements, the CTS delivers 304 horsepower (227 kW) and 273 lb.-ft. of torque (370 Nm) - a 15-percent increase in horsepower and 8-percent increase in torque. In addition, the engine helps the CTS achieve 0-60 mph performance of 5.9 seconds and a top speed of 155 mph (248 kph). The engine is designed to operate with regular unleaded gasoline and is available with either an automatic or a manual transmission.

With direct injection, fuel is sprayed directly into the engine cylinder, where it is mixed with air. As the fuel vaporizes in the cylinder, the air and fuel mixture is cooled. This enables the use of a higher compression ratio, which improves engine efficiency and performance.

In addition to the Cadillac CTS, the 3.6L DI V-6 engine is available in the 2009 Buick Enclave, Cadillac STS, Chevrolet Traverse, GMC Acadia, Saturn Outlook and Saturn Vue 2-Mode Hybrid.

More information on GM can be found at www.gm.com. ■



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