

## DAVE DYSINGER WINS NTMA AWARD

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NTMA's most prestigious award, the L.A. Sommer Memorial Award, was presented to David W. Dysinger, Dysinger Inc. for his exceptional service, dedication and leadership in the industry and the Association.

The award was established in 1959 in honor of NTMA's first chairman. This award was created to recognize individual members for their many years of exceptional service, dedication and leadership in the industry and on behalf of the Association.

Since joining NTMA in 1978, Dave has devoted much of his time and talents to the national Association and to the Dayton Tooling & Manufacturing Association. On the national level, Dave has served on the Sales Planning & Support Team, Nominating Team, Networking Team, the Executive Team and is currently on the National Tooling & Machining Foundation Board of Directors. In 2001 he received the NTMA Honor Award and was recognized for his vision in the development and implementation of TOOLVALLEY Network to revitalize Dayton's industrial base by creating high-paying and long-lasting jobs. His efforts have also been instrumental in furthering the relationship between NTMA and DTMA.

The NTMA Nominating Team recognized his qualities needed to lead the Association - Integrity, Commitment, Humility, Mental Toughness, Fairness, Maturity, Peer Respect and a Sense of Humor. Those leadership qualities served him well during his years on the Executive Team and especially in 2005 as Chairman of the Board. That was a time when the prevailing feeling was that the membership was being under-served and major changes were needed. He concentrated his efforts on improving operational excellence at NTMA and transforming the Association into an organization that is accountable to its members.

Less than two years after he transitioned off the Executive Team, he stepped in as interim-Secretary to fill the vacancy created by one Team member's resignation. This allowed the Executive Team to continue working without interruption until the vacancy was filled.

A significant amount of his time and energy have also been devoted to workforce development. In particular, the BotsIQ program captured his attention. In 2007 he was so impressed by the potential of BotsIQ that he donated \$100,000 to the Dayton Tooling & Manufacturing Association to underwrite the local start up costs in Dayton.

The next generation employees in our shops are truly the future of the industry and the NTMA. Dave has set an excellent example for all of our family businesses by encouraging and supporting the next generation of Dysingers to play an active role in NTMA.

Congratulations again on this prestigious award!

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