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MRC Announces Winners of “Manufacturing Excellence” Awards *Mid-Eastern PA Manufacturing Summit*

Senator Charles Dent to Receive “Manufacturing Champion” Award

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Lehigh Valley The Manufacturers Resource Center (MRC) will host a Mid-Eastern PA Manufacturing Summit on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Holiday Inn & Conference Center in Fogelsville, Pennsylvania. Winners of MRC’s “Manufacturing Excellence” Awards and “Champion of Manufacturing” Award were announced today.

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Heyco Metals, Inc., Reading, Pa., a re-roller of copper and brass products for the electronic and connector market.

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S & L Plastics, Inc., Nazareth, Pa., a manufacturer of injection molded, profile extruded, and sheet extruded plastic parts. The company produces its own line of products as well as serving as a job shop for other manufacturers requiring plastic component parts.

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Silberline Manufacturing Company, Tamaqua, Pa., a manufacturer of high quality aluminum pigments for a variety of industrial customers including the auto industry.

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Solar Technology, Inc., Allentown, Pa., a small manufacturer of solar powered equipment and devices for industrial and commercial applications.

MRC will also present Senator Charles Dent a “Manufacturing Champion” Award for his efforts on behalf of the well-being of manufacturing in Pennsylvania.

“Studies confirm that the manufacturing sector is a key factor in the nations continuing growth and prosperity. I believe it is the key to past, present and future prosperity and higher living standards. These manufacturing awards are designed to reward area manufacturers who pursue excellence and to emphasize how much manufacturers contribute to our regional and national economy. Senator Dent’s “Manufacturing Champion” Award draws attention to the fact that manufacturing is still one of the biggest employers in the U.S., and legislators and government policies can do much to enhance the competitiveness of traditional and high-tech manufacturers, says Edith Ritter, executive director of MRC.

The program will also feature a special presentation on the findings of a new manufacturing study conducted by Deloitte & Touche on “The Status of Manufacturing in Mid-Eastern Pennsylvania. Guest speaker, Richard A. McCormack, editor and publisher of Manufacturing & Technology News, will give an update on manufacturing nationwide; studies and research and what they reveal; and new federal programs that are proposed to support manufacturing.

This program is designed for Presidents, CEOs, COOs, General Managers, Production Managers, Quality Managers, and *anyone* interested in economic development and the future of manufacturing. The cost is \$25 per person and includes buffet breakfast.

To register and pay online, go to [www.mrc-penn.com](#), and click on “,” or call Pat Felise at the Manufacturers Resource Center at 610-758-6069 or 800-343-6732. This seminar is co-sponsored by National Penn Bank’s Manufacturing Group and Cutler Associates.

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