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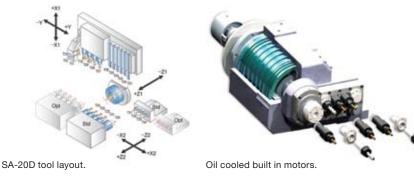
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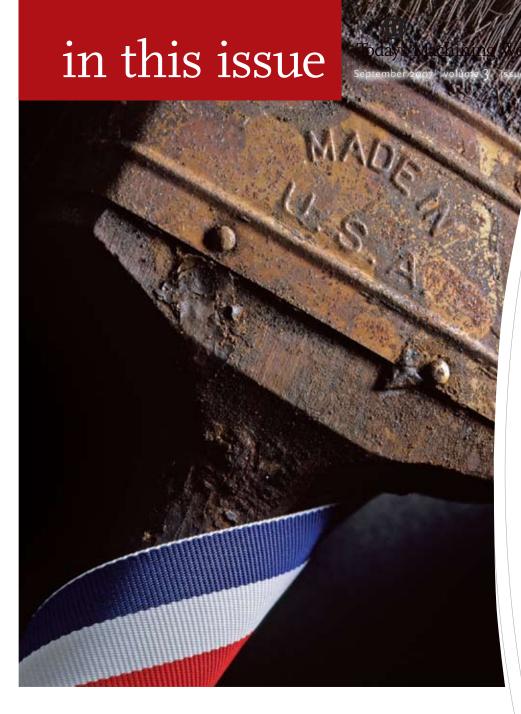
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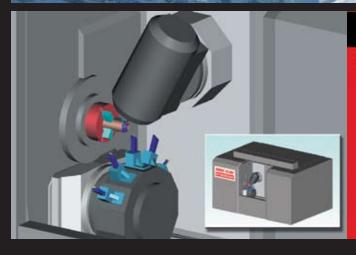
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#### Tragedy of Character

wo young men still at the top of their games copped pleas on August 27, 2007. They will both be going to Federal Prison despite their fabulous wealth and instant name recognition. They gambled their freedom and careers with bizarre acts of recklessness abetted by cronies without the strength to say no to them.

Gene Haas, the unlikely billionaire of American machine tools, and Michael Vick, the quarterback who redefined the position in the NFL, both saw their freedom slip away when their associates flipped to the prosecution. Even the shrewdest legal talent money could buy couldn't keep them out of jail.

Haas' hubris led him to tax evasion to beat the U.S. treasury out of millions of dollars because he thought he was wronged on a patent dispute. Vick electrocuted pit bulls which he had gambled on, and buried the bodies on his land.

Haas and Vick were both single men who defied the conventional wisdom of their games. Haas told the world he would build a vertical machining center in L.A., sell it for less than the Japanese builders, cut the price year after year and service it like the Maytag repairman.

Vick said the quarterback was a running back and scored points with his feet. He destroyed defenses built to thwart skilled white boys who played the vertical passing game.

Haas and Vick are iconoclasts in their respective worlds. They broke the defining rules of their peers and were vilified by the established players. Both guys loved to stick it to the reigning authorities who mocked their unorthodoxies and said they had to fail because they were different and too difficult.

Maybe when you keep showing up everybody else in your field, make huge money, and travel the country in private jets, you think that society's rules are for the little people. You're going to do what you're going to do, and you're untouchable. It's so Macbeth.

But in America, presidents get impeached, billionaires do go to jail, and quarterbacks plead. The judicial system is still painfully stacked towards the rich and famous, yet on August 27, two of our richest and most famous men conceded their freedom at federal court houses. Haas and Vick – two four letter words synonymous with greatness – and utter stupidity.

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#### From the Heart

I read the article about the unfortunate death of your employee (see *TMW* Swarf, Aug. 2007). I was touched at your memoriam. I was at one point suicidal in conjunction with a bipolar type 1 diagnosis. I know what it feels like to reach that point of disparity, and want you to know that he knew how you felt about him. When an old work horse is no longer able to work, he knows it. If you have noticed, they tend to shy away from their owner as if they are embarrassed at the fact; however, in time, if the owner holds onto the horse, it sees that its owner still loves him or her just the same for all the times they had together and the loyalty they have for one another.

From how you speak of him, the gentleman was not a dumb man. I am sure he found love in the Graff family. May peace find you all at Graff/Pinkert. Your support still carries me, and a death in your business is a death in my family. Continue to enrich the lives of those you reach through your writing in honor of your fallen hero. The thing about people is that they never die. By touching us, enriching our lives, and teaching us, they continue to live on in the lives of those who reflect what they learned from them. I am deeply sorry for your loss.

Tyler Dwight Shinaberry Fredericktown, OH

#### To the Gut

Earlier this year, our company was one of the lucky ones invited to a meeting with Ametek (see *TMW*, Swarf, July 2007) demanding an eight percent minimum price reduction effective immediately, even on open orders. I doubt anyone there thought that the conference wouldn't have cost reduction mandates, but none of us had attended one that was handled so poorly. We were berated and beaten and the questions that suppliers had (like how much potential work increase was available in exchange for our

price reduction and whether Ametek would help negotiate better raw material pricing) were unanswered. Adding insult to injury, we were required to fly to Orlando to attend this meeting, taking days out of our schedules. I doubt many of us will fall for this when they schedule the next "Preferred Supplier" meeting.

#### They did inform us of the following:

They own high-end brands and are #1 or #2 in their niche markets. They plan to double in both size and profitability every five years. They plan to move \$40 –50 million offshore each year. The eight percent price reduction and 60-day terms were simply the "ticket to the dance" as they repeatedly put it. They would really like to see the price reductions retroactive to the previous year or even a rebate for the entire previous year. There will be a significant reduction to their supplier base in the next 2–3 years but there was no commitment to this group of select suppliers that they would actually eliminate the suppliers who were not invited.

In effect, we were asked to finance Ametek's profitability and growth and to say thank you for the opportunity to do so while they are using off-shore labor to finance the balance. The truly sad part of this whole story is that all of us who rely on the stock market to finance our 401(k)s are responsible for this outcome of demand for ever-higher stock returns.

I believe that many of the suppliers who were bullied into accepting these new "terms" are simply buying the time to find new customers to fill this slot. How sad that another great American company has come to this.

A sadder but wiser (anonymous) Ametek Supplier

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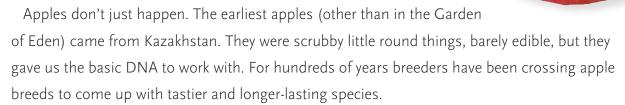


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BY LLOYD GRAFE

# Searching for the great Honey Crisps

I've had a lifelong interest in apples. I made a pilgrimage to Wenatchee, Washington, to check out the harvest a few years ago. I can talk with authority on the difference between the Delicious and the Braeburn and why the Rome makes the best baked apple. One of the great advances in apple horticulture in recent years is the wonderful new variety – Honey Crisp.



The Honey Crisp was developed at the University of Minnesota. For my taste, it is the absolute best apple I've ever eaten, which doesn't mean I don't also love Melrose, Mac, Gavenstein and Pippen too. But the taste, texture, and aroma of the Honey Crisp is the best combination I've found.

I am not alone in my appreciation of the fabulous variety. Stores always sell them for a premium price because they are scarce. The growers know they are hot, but they are quite difficult to grow.

I recently talked to an orchard owner from Western Michigan at a Chicago's farmer's market. He told me that he would be comfortably retired by now if he had planted Honey Crisps in 1992 when he first tasted them. He says he waited until '96 to plant his first trees and has been adding trees every year.

He says they are one of the most finicky varieties to cultivate. They require extra calcium to thrive. They do not tolerate heat well. They do not give as much fruit per tree as other varieties. But if you can grow them, you sure can sell them. Whole Foods can sell them for as much as \$4 per

pound. The specialty packages all covet them for gift packs at Christmas. They sell out quickly at every farmer's market. If you have tasted a Honey Crisp, you are going to buy it every time unless you are just looking for applesauce ingredients.

The Honey Crisp story is very much the story of the machining business. The demand is out there for a superior product. For the intrepid folks who see the opportunity and get in early and then develop the particular expertise to master the Honey Crisp variety, riches are to be reaped. Eventually the Chinese or New Zealand growers will master the techniques for cultivating the Honey Crisp apple. But the window at this moment is still open.

The task for growers and manufacturers is to continually search for the next Honey Crisp, then have the guts to plant the trees, and have the perseverance to learn the nuances of cultivating them.

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#### Does the stock market yo-yo

because of the mortgage madness mean a recession in 2008? As I write this in late August, it seems quite possible.

Here's how I see what is going on: Housing prices in many markets, particularly big cities on both coasts, have skyrocketed over the last ten years. Price inflation became a bubble when unscrupulous lenders and money sellers enticed buyers desperate to invest in the American dream of home ownership by offering teaser loans which enabled people to get into homes that they probably could not afford unless interest rates settled at historically low long-term rates. These were not ridiculous bets because adjustable rate loans had been good choices for many years when Alan Greenspan had been holding rates down post- 9/11. But when the Fed started pushing interest rates higher because of a knee-jerk reaction to perceived inflation, the adjustable rate loan became a noose for many people who could barely afford their homes.

The boom and bust cycle in homes is hardly a new phenomenon. We see a collapse every 12 to 15 years it seems, as the lessons of leverage are forgotten by both lenders and borrowers.

The dirty little secret of home mortgages is that they have become Wall Street instruments traded in packages around the world. This is why banks in Europe and Japan end up in trouble, because a hard-working Mexican immigrant family in Stockton, California, commuting two hours to the Bay area to work, can't make their re-racheted house payments.

Several stupid twenty-something hedge funders gobbled up billion dollar packages of these ready-to-tip mortgages while they eyed their Hamptons hideaway. Their thirty-something bosses cheered them on. Now the investment bankers are looking at each other's naked naivetè. How many times have these Ivy League "masters of the universe" proved to be totally ignorant of the real world? Unfortunately, cascading credit woes quickly filter down to the world of lumber, windows and faucets. Homebuilders are working on subdivisions planned years ago. Now there is little mortgage money, even for the good risks. The whole housing market has major indigestion and this means falling home values, which prompts folks who are struggling to make a payment to walk away from their home, which is now worth less than they owe. And this is how a small, relatively contained problem becomes a panic and quite possibly, a nasty recession.

Lots of people get scared when they see a rash of "for sale" signs in the neighborhood, and prices falling across the board. In our global village, everybody is connected. This is how an economic ingrown toenail becomes an emergency room nightmare.

Ben Bernanke's Fed has appeared to always be one lap

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behind the events. A rapid drop in interest rates seems like the best relief available. He does not want to bail out the bird-brained bankers and ratings agency enablers who got us into this mess, but for the greater good he may have to.

The legitimate mortgage business will come back, and some of the phony brokers will reappear with new names, but it will take time. The dot.com boom burst eight years ago, and Silicon Valley has emerged stronger than ever. Mortgage madness will abate and the housing surplus will be absorbed. But it will take time. I'm afraid 2008 looks like a tough year. The political ramifications will not help incumbents of either party.

#### I was talking to my friend Tony,

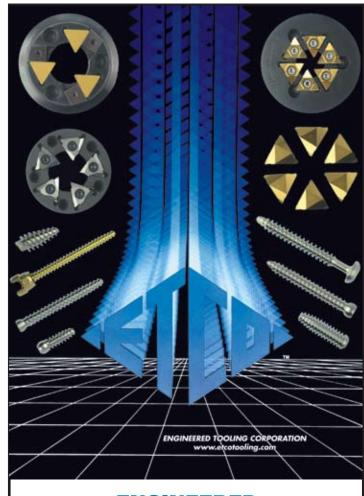
who is my favorite Starbucks barista. Like many Starbucks coffee crushers, he aspires to do other things with his life. A few times a year he takes off with his rock band and goes on tour. Tony is a talented drummer and he loves the music scene, but he also has a wife and baby, so the vagabond musician's life is not for him. His band is edging into popularity, so he has frequent weekend gigs at Chicago clubs. He just returned from the band's most successful tour- to Western Canada and California. He said he made enough money to pay off all his bills and put some dough away. As we talked, he told me about the economics of the rock band world.

Unless you are huge, you do not make money from selling your recordings, he told me. Records do get you recognition so you can play live. But clubs and the tour venues also pay artists poorly. Virtually all the real income for musicians like Tony comes from selling merchandise, mostly at concerts and clubs.

It's a rather strange business model, but not that different from movie theatres that make their gravy on popcorn and Raisinettes. Talking to Tony the drummer reinforced the power of branding for me.

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781/788-8888 Fax: 781/736-1987 ww.etcotooling.com the American market. The real money is made by capitalizing on the name and controlling the distribution. When Tony's band is on tour selling tee shirts, they are making virtually 100 percent profit on the stuff they sell, and probably saving only a small morsel for the IRS. Which brings me to the contract machining business, where many of us live.

Sam's Unknown Job Shop in Hoboken with no brand traction and with distribution controlled exclusively by his customers is in a lousy position in the global economy. Sam's is now often competing directly with a Chinese job shop with \$10 a day employees and no OSHA or EPA.

Sam's big problem is that he has no market for tee shirts and coffee cups because Sam's Unknown Job Shop of Hoboken has virtually zero name recognition. For Sam to succeed he has to be incredibly efficient and clever and develop a cadre of loyal customers who see value in their relationship with loveable Sam. It can be done, and it is done every day by thousands of skillful machine guys. But realistically, without brand and some control over distribution, it is an uphill fight every day.

The branding hurdles are difficult for a job shop, but not impossible. I think the key is to identify an audience or market and then aggressively build brand recognition within that small segment. I can imagine building a successful brand with five significant customers by frequent touches through

a variety of channels. You can build recognition through letters and videos and talks with the buyer, the engineers, and the marketing folks, all in the same firm. If you cannot unlock the code for differentiating your company, you will be doomed to quoting 100 jobs to get one, and then wondering what you missed in the print to land that one.

For Sam's Unknown Job Shop in Hoboken, the secret sauce will be different than the secret sauce of Joe in Joplin. But in the global marketplace of instant communication, we can all learn from my friend Tony the drummer. Build a name and sell those tee shirts.

#### Noah Graff wrote this recently

on TMW's blog (swarfblog.com) which garnered a lot of conversation and comments.

Zhang Shuhong, owner of the Lee Der Industrial Company, responsible for supplying toys with toxic lead paint to Mattel, committed suicide. Would this scenario have occurred in the United States? And, what does this mean for American manufacturing?

Was it a customary Asian act of shame, was it guilt, or was it out of fear of the totalitarian Chinese government?



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My guess is he was scared of a totalitarian government which wants to strangle him now for tainting one of its most important product sectors. According to the *New York Times*, 80 percent of the world's toys are manufactured in China. Certainly, Zhang Shuhong was going to be held accountable for his actions. He had strong reason to fear the wrath of the Chinese government, which in May had sentenced to death Zheng Xiaoyu, the former head of the Chinese State Food and Drug Administration. He was a scapegoat for the recent pet food scandal, which killed scores of American cats and dogs.

What does this event mean for Americans and American manufacturing? I suppose it's a positive sign. The Chinese are, without a doubt, taking responsibility for their actions. The capitalist world market is exerting its muscle and forcing quality control. The excuse that companies like Lee Der Industrial Company use, stating they have to "cut corners to make their margins" isn't going to fly with American companies, which will be crucified for "little

negligences" like lead paint. I doubt that the Chinese government will raise its standards for moral reasons. It's poisoning its people as we speak, with awful environmental practices contaminating the country's air and water. But hopefully the world can now expect safer Chinese products, and perhaps Chinese companies' costs of production will have slightly less advantage over manufacturers in the United States.

#### When I look at the last 10 years

and ask myself what the one overarching political and economic story is, the clear answer to me is not global warming or the rise of radical Muslim terrorism. It is the incredible economic growth of China.

Think of China as a gigantic corporation and imagine 10 to 12 percent expansion compounded annually on an astoundingly huge base. This is growth on such a phenomenal scale that it has quickly changed almost everything in the economic and political scheme of things.

For several decades we lived in the world of falling prices for commodities. I scoffed at the cassandras, who saw a world of zero sums and impending scarcity, because modern

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history told me that brain power always finds a way around temporary shortages. I still see a world of potential plenty, but the rise of China's economy and lifestyle is putting at least a temporary crimp in the growth with abundance theory.

There is no precedent that I am aware of for an economy of China's magnitude to grow so fast for 10 years with no visible brake in sight. Some people have theorized that an epidemic like SARS or Avian flu or even AIDS would hit the country and blunt the expansion, but this has not occurred and may not.

Some people felt political ferment represented by Tiananmen Square would sweep the country and send chaos from Hong Kong to Taipei, but the Chinese are building democracy locally and not showing enormous interest in political change on a grand scale when there is so much wealth to be grabbed.

Corruption is insidious and corrosive, but it has not been demoralizing enough to derail the train of growth.

I think we must understand that China has been so poor, so miserable, so Minged and Maoed for so long that the monumental act of unleashing economic opportunity has given hope to billions of Chinese people who have a mass energy and group intelligence our planet has never seen before.

Will this century be the Chinese century? It looks like it today, but this is 2007 and China has yet to win a gold medal in basketball at the Olympics.

Don't laugh. The Beijing Games will be the big story of 2008 – way bigger than Barack vs. Hillhary for the Presidential acclimation vote. The Olympics will be China telling the world, "we're number one, we're number one," while America is overtaxing itself in Iraq's quagmire.

Growth never continues straight up, forever. China will have its bubbles and hiccups. Its leaders will overreach or the people may choke on their coal dust, or the single kids might become so Westernized that there will be an epidemic of Gameboy thumb and child obesity.

And this will be the next big story. How will China adjust when the growth finally cools? Will this be the signal for political turmoil or the result of it? Will the pollution spark a rebellion in a population enfeebled by black rivers and charcoal air.

China is everybody's favorite story today. Like it, hate it, getting rich there or getting murdered there, it is the new center of the economic universe.

To an uncomfortable degree, China already controls America because the Chinese have so many dollars to invest. Heaven help us if they stop buying Treasuries. But we control them too, because if we stop buying Mattel toys because of the lead paint on them or bad pet food, or tainted counterfeit toothpaste because the country has no viable regulation, today's China will start to feel the pain.

The American-Chinese political, economic relationship is evolving before our eyes. It is the big, big, big story of a lifetime and I can't take my eyes off of it.

#### One of the hardest decisions

for any economically sensitive person to make is whether to be a follower or a contrarian. The smart follower sees a trend and rides it for gain. But eventually every trend ebbs, and sometimes crashes and burns – witness the residential housing meltdown.

The contrarian is always looking for what is out of favor so he can get in on the cheap. This approach requires unshakable confidence and an impervious attitude towards ridicule. Corn farmers are classic contrarians because the price of corn has been stuck for years. Finally this year they have been rewarded nicely. Could it be that the hearty contrarians in America who have invested in screw machine technology as so much work has leaped to China will be similarly rewarded?

#### The story of the Williams family

business in one of the most inspiring sports success stories of the past 50 years. The Williams family I'm referring to is father Richard, mother Oracene and daughters Venus and Serena, who have won 13 Grand Slam titles between them.

Richard Williams, son of Louisiana sharecroppers, was no tennis player, but he had a dream for his two daughters with wife Oracene. He was going to make them into world championship tennis players. Think of the absolutely total lunacy of this proposition. Williams is a poor black man, living in Compton, California, soon after the L.A. race riots, with a blended family of kids who did not even play tennis. He concocts a scheme to turn his baby daughters into tennis prodigies, then devotes his life to making this fantasy actually happen on the crumbly Compton courts.

#### swarf

Imagine the whole family heading out to the courts and feeding balls to Venus and Serena. The girls took to the game and bought into the Richard Williams' mythology that they could win Wimbledon if they practiced like maniacs and believed in their father's madness. Venus started to attract local attention by the time she was nine years old. Serena, who is 15 months younger, idolized her older sister, and practiced just as hard. Reebok heard about the family Williams and took a look. Promoter and father, Richard, then parlayed Reebok's interest into a long-term endorsement deal that enabled the family to move to Florida where Venus and Serena could get the coaching of one of the best development coaches in the world, Rick Macci.

Richard Williams was smart enough to keep the girls off of the Juniors circuit. In doing this, he developed a mystique about the poor little black girls who were going to change the elitist, clubby world of tennis. He gave the press and the sports' Brahmins a glimpse of Venus and younger sister Serena to tease them about their potential, but he was not going to do to them what Jennifer Capriati's parents had done to their daughter; throw her on to the Women's Tour at 14 years old.

I had a chance to see a little bit of Venus and Serena at Grenelefe, a tennis resort in central Florida where Macci coached them and the family lived.

I took my whole family there for a tennis vacation, knowing the Williams sisters were training there. I was hoping that my children would pick up the tennis bug. We had gone to Wimbledon the year before. It worked to some degree. Two out of three kids still enjoy playing.

At Grenelefe they had a chance to socialize with two of the half-sisters of Venus and Serena. Those girls were not thrilled about living in central Florida, which they saw as a redneck outpost, but they were making the best of it for the economic betterment of the family.

The fairy tale that Richard Williams had envisioned was soon to unfold. Venus made her pro debut at 17 and was soon the best player in the world. Her big serve and fluid movement overpowered the reigning queen, Martina Hingis, who did not have the athleticism to beat her. Serena, who had been in the shadow of her big sister growing up, developed a huge, muscular game that quickly vaulted her to the top.

The sisters have continued to dominate the women's game when they have been healthy and totally interested. Richard and Oracene are divorced now, and the sisters have moved some distance from their father's sometimes weird and goofy antics. But to me, the story of the multi-millionaire

daughters of crazy Richard Williams of Compton, who once had a bizarre dream and made it come alive, is one of the great family business sagas I've witnessed.

#### **Sharpening Tools**

The news from Hydromat in St. Louis is heartening. After slow business forced necessary cutbacks and payroll paring, a huge reversal in fortune in the second quarter put Bruno Schmitter in a good mood. The clients who have sustained the company for the last 20 years are starting to be augmented by a new set of high production players, particularly in automotive-land.

I had a long talk with Steve Birman of High Tech Research in Chicago, who has developed a dynamic parts measuring and tool wear monitoring software package for precision parts manufacturers called MICRONITE. He has been working on this for 18 years and written a Great Books worth of code. His current masterpiece is being used by several automotive vendors. Systems like Birman's take the operator skills out of part making for a less labordependent shop floor.

CNC Software Inc., manufacturer of Mastercam CAD/ CAM software, has announced the 2007 "Innovator of the Future" (IOF) national competition. The competition entices students to try a real-world manufacturing challenge.

Boyd Coddington of the TLC show *American Hot Rod* is the celebrity judge again this year. According to Mastercam, Boyd was so impressed by the caliber of parts entered into the first contest, he was eager to do it again.

This year's challenge is to design and machine a ½-scale steering wheel. The part must be programmed with Mastercam software, can be made of any material appropriate for an actual steering wheel, and the entrant must tell a "story" about making the part. For specifics and specs, please go to Mastercam's website - www.mastercamiof.com.

The student who designs the winning entry will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to the school of their choice. The winner and their Mastercam course instructor will receive an expense-paid trip to California to meet Boyd Coddington and tour his shop. All entries, along with completed forms, must be postmarked by December 31, 2007.

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BY JERRY LEVINE

#### book review

#### Are We Rome?

I worry a lot about our country. I worry about the rise of China. I worry about militant Islam. I worry about immigration. I worry about the competency and values of our young people, and also about the competency and values of our political leaders. People tell me it's a normal part of aging – irrational thinking. But whether I am getting old or not, there is a legitimate philosophical question: Are we Rome? Are we destined to decline and fall?

I latched onto Cullen Murphy's book, *Are We Rome*? which examines that question and answers with an emphatic, No!

Murphy asks what is an empire, and are we one? He quotes several "triumphalists" and "declinists" who point out the good and bad of our present situation. He quotes Niall Ferguson, who argues that the world needs a liberal empire and the U.S. is the best candidate. But America is an empire in denial, lacking the will and staying power to shoulder an imperial role.

Murphy sets up a crude ledger of comparisons. Rome and America are the most powerful actors in their worlds, both militarily and with language, culture commerce, technology and ideas. They both created global administrative, economic, military and cultural structures that the rest of the world takes for granted.

Both societies are made up of many peoples, are open to newcomers, and are willing to intermarry and grant citizenship. Both see themselves as a chosen people and their national character as exceptional. Both endure periods of catastrophic leadership, and see the future in terms of Manifest Destiny.

But, Rome in 1000 years never left the Iron Age. Romans never traveled faster than on horseback. In 200 years we have seen the Industrial, Information and now the Biotech Ages. We've been to the moon and back. Rome had no middle class, thousands of slaves, and patricians who relied heavily on inherited wealth. Our strength is our middle class, entrepreneurship. free markets, rule of law, and our ability to move up economically and socially.

Rome came to an arbitrarily designated end on September

A.D. 4,476. But it didn't really die – it was too big. It dissolved unevenly, first in remote provinces like Britain, and then over the next 250 years in areas swept up by Islam.

Some pieces were carried forward in the Church and in popular customs. Life was what it had been with a series of adaptations.

In the book's epilogue Murphy again asks, "Are we Rome?" He answers, "In a thousand specific ways, no. In a handful of important ways, certainly yes." As peoples, we and the Romans cherish different values, but both have certain dangerous traits – among them an arrogance that can lead to being blindsided.

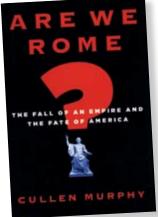
Murphy finds his solution in the words of Roman Historian Livy, "What makes a society strong is the well being of its people – basic justice and opportunity, and the conviction that the system is set up to provide it."

The book closes with Murphy's 100-Year Plan:

1. Instill an appreciation of the wider world.

- 2. Stop treating government as a necessary evil. Rely on the big things it can do well.
  - 3. Fortify institutions that promote assimilation.
- 4. Take some weight off the military. Adopt a long range energy policy that weans us from the Middle East and our need to defend the world's oil supply and shipping lanes.

We worry that we will eventually decline and fall. But we are constant striving to make life better for ourselves, our children and others. This is a large part of our social contract. Murphy concludes, "Are we Rome? In some ways we might be, and we're making some of the same mistakes. But, the antidote is everywhere. The antidote is being American."



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#### Hi-LIGHT

At EMO in Hanover, Germany, DMG will present 14 new machines and a new machine design that demonstrates the powerful interaction of style, ergonomics and functionality. Aside from the high-grade surface material in matte white or high-gloss black, the DMG LIGHTline® spans the lateral door area and the entire height of the respective machine, and visualizes the operating condition of the machine with diverse colors rather than with the traditional signal light. All

diverse colors rather than with the traditional signal light. All machines in the "New Design" generation have 4080 percent larger transparency of the safety glass panels.

A further notable highlight in the framework is the new ERGOline® control that has a 19" screen that resembles a flat screen rather than a machine control. The ERGOline® control can be positioned either on the left side or on the right side of the workroom with the help of a cantilever. DMG has replaced the old key cabinet with a DMG SMARTkey® system. The personalized authorization of the operator, together with the corresponding access rights or the individualized preparation of the control, are some examples the system's capabilities.

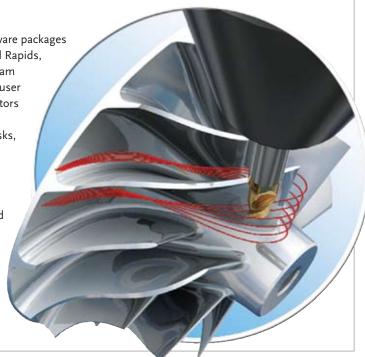
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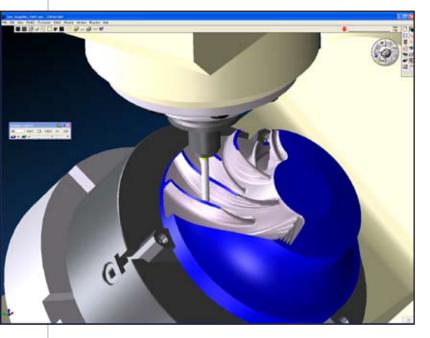
#### Feature the Power

Delcam will demonstrate the latest versions of its milling software packages PowerMILL and FeatureCAM at the Great Lakes show in Grand Rapids, Mich., September 18-20, Booth #613-632. New options in Delcam PowerMILL include a tool-axis editing function that allows the user to select any region of a toolpath and redefine the tool-axis vectors within that region. New automated functionality has also been added for faster programming of the five-axis machining of blisks, blades and impellers.

Five-axis simultaneous milling capability is now available in Delcam FeatureCAM, offering a variety of methods for controlling the tool axis. The user will be able to set a specific lead and/or lean angle. This can be done either to access areas unable to be reached with three-axis machining or to give better cutting conditions. FeatureCAM 2008 also features new and updated post-processors, in particular for turn-mill equipment including the Mazak Integrex, Daewoo Puma and Nakamura-Tome machines.

For more information, please contact Mary Shaw mes@delcam.com





#### Cinco de CAMO

Gibbs and Associates announced that a new GibbsCAM option, which supports 5-axis simultaneous milling, will be demonstrated at EMO 2007. Special promotional pricing for the GibbsCAM 5-Axis bundle will be announced at EMO. The new 5-Axis option introduces multi-surface 5-axis roughing and finishing; multi-surface 5-axis flowline machining; surface edge 5-axis swarf cutting; adaptable interface, based on part type strategy, show only what is needed; advanced gouge protection ensures safe cuts in even the most complex operations; complete control over entry/exit, cut-to-cut, and between cut moves. The 5-Axis option is fully integrated with GibbsCAM's Machine Simulation option allowing the user to virtually set-up and prove-out complex 5-axis programs off of the machine tool. The 5-Axis option is also supported by GibbsCAM's integration with CGTech's VERICUT machine simulation application.

Information about GibbsCAM is also available at the company's website, www.GibbsCAM.com.

#### Vertical Challenge

Toyoda Machinery will introduce its newest machine line at CMTS (Canadian Manufacturing Technology Show) October 15-18 in Booth #3600. Toyoda's new Inverted Vertical Turning Centers feature a traveling inverted spindle, allowing for direct part pick up. A mono-block polymerized concrete-filled, steel fabrication base delivers maximum vibration dampening and rigidity. Toyoda's horizontal SX Series has a 40 horsepower, 6,000 rpm spindle. The new machines are available with 550 mm or 630 mm pallet sizes. The table load capacity is 2,860 lbs.

The BM-1200 vertical machining center offers performance for heavy-duty machining of ferrous materials. The rigid iron base is paired with four Y-axis box guideways to eliminate saddle overhang while the extra-wide column expands

while the extra-wide column expands machining capability. Many high-torque and direct-drive spindle configurations are available in CAT 40 or CAT 50 tapers.

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#### Mini Maxi

Intertech Worldwide Corporation has announced the new MiniMAX 3, 4 or 5-Axis vertical machining centers to offering a working cube of 17.7" (X) x 13.7" (Y) and a standard table size of 21.6 x 11.8". The MiniMAX has a machine base of massive cast-iron construction with full splash safety guarding. The standard spindle is a BT 30 (BT40 optional) supplied with an umbrella style utilizing a 10 tool ATC featuring 6 sec. change speed. Standard spindle speed is 12,000 rpm, (24,000 optional) driven by a 7.5 hp servomotor with direct-coupled servomotors for control of axis movements. Distance of spindle nose to table surface: 3.94" to 17.71".

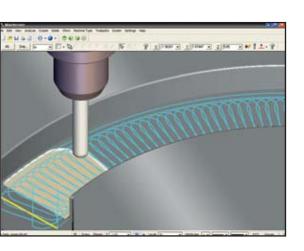
The PC Control has a 10½" flat color monitor capable of 6-axis simultaneous interpolation. The programs are compatible with Fanuc and other programs using standard "G" codes and "M" functions.

For more information, please contact Intertech Worldwide Corp. at 561-395-5441 or visit www.intertechworldwide.com.

#### Master X

Mastercam X<sub>2</sub> Mill has introduced new capabilities, including: radial and spiral finishing toolpath styles rounding out the high speed suite; rest material functionality has been added to high speed finishing toolpaths; rib cuts have been added to the surface finish flowline, surface rough flowline, and 5-Axis flowline toolpaths. The rib cuts are determined by a number of slice cuts perpendicular to the flowline curves of the surface. When you choose the cut direction. the software will slice the flowline curves and create a toolpath at the midpoints of each slice. "Peel Milling" delivers powerful high speed cutting to 2D projects, moving the tool in and "peeling" away material, layer by layer. A scallop height calculator has been added.

For more information, contact CNC Software, Inc., 800-228-2877 or visit www.mastercam.com.







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Hardinge has added the DD200 high-speed gearless rotary unit to their family of Direct-Drive Rotary Systems. The design eliminates backlash, providing high servo stiffness and rapid and accurate bidirectional response with repeatability of ±2 arc/sec. Benefits include: up to 2,100 degrees-per-second indexing speed; wraparound torque motor for a smaller foot print; design manages heat dissipation and maintains stability of the center line of the spindle; 4th-axis integration supported by Fanuc and Heidenhain allows operators to take advantage of maximum machine capability; semi 4th-axis operation using Hardinge's standalone Servo Control for use on CNC machines that can't support "pole position detect"; and a flexible collet-ready spindle that allows quick changeover from collets, expanding collets, step chucks, power chucks and face plates without an adapter. The Hardinge DD200 incorporates a direct-drive, rare-earth, permanent-magnet torque motor. A high resolution  $\pm$  .077 arc/sec encoder is mounted directly to the spindle enabling ± 3 arc/sec system accuracy.

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Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. has announced the NITON XL<sub>3</sub> 800 Series, providing alloy grade identification, on average, in less than two seconds. The NITON XL<sub>3</sub> Series include increased testing speed enabling the user to increase sorting volume as much as tenfold; a 75 percent reduction in measurement times for difficult to separate alloys such as SS<sub>3</sub>04/321 and Pg/Pg1; fast verification of incoming materials to perform final QC and to document the material composition of finished product.

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Kurt's new 5-axis clamping system now makes possible continuous 5-axis cutting motion of complex pockets, Sculptured and contoured surfaces and intricate 3-D features.

For more information, see Kurt Workholding at the Quality Expo Sept. 25-27, Rosemont, Illinois. Call 877-226-7823 or visit www.kurt.com.

#### By a Thread

Emuge Corporation has introduced a new series of Miniature Solid Carbide Thread Mills designed for machining of difficult materials such as stainless steels, titanium, K-monel, hastelloy, and inconel. The new thread mills eliminate the possibility and consequences of tap breakage. Thread mills are available in both 1 flute and 3 flute versions. The new thread mills eliminate the need for hand tapping during full bottom threading applications. Bottom threading can be performed to within 1 pitch. The miniature thread mills function with externally supplied coolant and eliminate the need for thread cutting oil.

The New Miniature Solid Carbide Thread Mills offer precise thread depth controls, up to 2xD, so that one tool can be used for both through and blind holes. STI threads can be easily produced and the new Emuge Miniature Solid Carbide Thread Mills produce thread finish and gauging. Overall length of the thread mill is 1 5/8" (41mm) with a shank diameter of

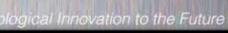


1/8" (3.175mm). The line includes thread sizes of #0-80, #2-56, #4-40, #5-40, #6-32 and #8-32 and cutting diameters from 0.045" (1.143mm) – 0.124" (3.15mm). Thread length ranges from 0.125" (3.175mm) – 0.328" (8.33mm).

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An Interview with

# Eitan Wertheimer

ISCAR'S CEO on Singing His Song

By Lloyd & Noah Graff



Photo below (left) Berkshire Hathaway's Charles Munger, Eitan Wertheimer, Warren Buffet & Stef Wertheimer at ISCAR's headquarters, Sept. 2006 Photo (right) Aerial view of ISCAR headquarters, Tefen, Israel. Photos Courtesy of ISCAR, Ltd.



**Lloyd Graff:** I read your bio, and there isn't that much about you personally.

**Eitan Wertheimer:** ISCAR was started in 1951. I was born in '51. My father wanted to name the company after my name, but my mother told him, "Maybe it won't be successful, so don't do it." So he called it ISCAR, Israel Carbide.

**Lloyd:** Israel Carbide, ISCAR; the company has been synonymous with Israel for its whole history.



You were born four years after Israel was born. The company grew parallel to the state. What does selling out to Warren Buffet in 2006 mean in terms of Israel, or was it purely a business decision on your part?

**Eitan:** It wasn't selling out. It was a basic idea of becoming part of something bigger, and happily that opportunity opened up. We wanted to secure our customers and our people for yet again another 50 years or more.

#### **Lloyd:** What do you gain by being with Berkshire Hathaway?

**Eitan:** We didn't do it because we needed the money, or because we were unsuccessful. We just wanted to solve problems before we get to that years from now. Maybe I'll change my mind in 20 years, but we still have 20 years for that.

#### **Lloyd:** Does it bother you that Warren Buffett may not be here in a few years?

**Eitan:** We all are asking that question, but I hope that his legacy lives much longer after himself. I wish him all the best, and wish all of Berkshire Hathaway that the future will be as good as the beginning. The main question will be whether the past pattern of 40 years sticks for a longer time because we have a very strong culture in our organization and we like it.

Lloyd: I talked to a person who worked for ISCAR and he talked about going to Tefen (co. headquarters) and meeting with Jacob Harpaz (head of cutting tools). He said with Harpaz, he experienced the most inspiring sessions he ever had in his career. What impressed him was that Harpaz talked about the new product coming out, but then would say, "But after they challenge us on that product, we've got this product, and then after they challenge us on that product, we have this product to come in." Like he was thinking three products down the cycle. I wonder if you could

#### elaborate on that as it applies to the sale of the whole company.

**Eitan:** First of all, I can very objectively say that I think Harpaz's [department] is one of the best in our company. I've seen the results and I have a lot of admiration for Jacob. The other element is that our customers need something better every year. Every year they have to become more competitive, do something faster, more clever, less mistakes, less time, less rejects. We must improve ourselves continuously. Just having a single event of something good is not sufficient in any industry, for sure not in our industry; your magazine must be full of new things. Nobody would advertise inserts from 1964. I haven't seen anybody lately selling an IBM 286. It would be a very good price, but what the hell do you do with that thing. It wouldn't work anymore in our world. The new machines, the new materials, the fact that you do net shape and casting better, and the roughing brings different need for other tools, so you must think as a process, not only as single products. We're trying to be part of the book of industrialization in the metal world, and do it in clever industrial areas. Therefore we look for clever products, for productive, clever customers when looking for the next story. You see the revolution coming in countries not export-oriented; and you see the export-oriented countries, how eager they are to get down the road of efficiency, improvement and higher level of quality. You have to think as a continuous story. You're not impressive in a single time event.

#### **Lloyd:** Which is part of why you sold to Buffett?

Eitan: We sold to prepare ourselves for 15 years down the road. But at the same time, we want to sing our song. There's a song that says, "First, I sang for the song, and then I sang for the money and then I sang for the glory, but now I'm back singing for the song because I like to sing." So somebody does his thing, it is good; and we want to do our thing. We want to sing our song. That's all. Our song is customers and people and innovation and technology, and we love that world. To bring Warren Buffett to the world of manufacturing was a lot of fun for me. Usually attention goes to people on Wall Street with the glamour, titles, and newspaper stories, but somebody has to make the machine. Somebody has to make the machine tools for them. Somebody has to make the physical engines and wheels and bolts and nuts.

#### Lloyd: Did Buffet get it?

**Eitan:** Yeah, I took him to IMTS here in Chicago. I'm going to take him to more shows, because I think it's time that people respect the people who manufacture things. Listen, making clever machine parts is a good thing. I'm happy to help in that process because I come from that field. I think about people who make parts so people can [drive] a car, or keep their health, or get more home comfort, or wash their clothes, or get their glasses, or allow the newspapers to be at your table. You should not neglect the people that make things. So for us, doing this with Warren Buffett is a nice endorsement that our field is important; not more, not less than anybody else, but for sure not less.

#### **Lloyd:** If you were to describe your company –ISCAR–would it be a manufacturing company, a technology company or a marketing company?

**Eitan:** All the above. If you don't have two legs, hands, eyes and ears to listen, you're not a full body. You must be a full body. You must manufacture and be a very clever manufacturer. You must use the latest technology, and you must sell your stuff or it's going to sit in inventory and you won't be around after awhile. If we sell something we didn't make, we won't be successful. If we don't use technology to make new things, we will not be very interesting, and we want to be interesting.

#### "Our song is customers and people and innovation and technology, and we love that world."

**Lloyd:** I saw that you are involved with this Clean Tech initiative in Israel and there was some talk about working with Mr. Agassi on battery-operated cars. Could you tell me something about this?

**Eitan:** Shai Agassi is the man running it and I'm just helping him a bit. It's his baby, which I think is clever and the right type of baby to get ourselves into – also to be part of clean energy, clean up our environment and be more efficient with our long-term needs.

**Lloyd:** You have had a long-term interest with antique cars in Tefen.

Eitan: I was fascinated by cars as a child, and still am. I

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Photo (left) "GalGal," Hebrew for "Ring and Wheel" sculpture, part of the sculpture garden at ISCAR's Industrial Park, Tefen, Israel.

**Eitan:** I am learning. You can either learn some in school, or learn by doing. Driving, you learn in the streets, not in school, so I had little time in school and a lot of time on the streets. But my main specialty is finding people much better than me. I think I'm very lucky. From the age of three I had two of my father's *Popular Mechanics* magazines from World War II. My first technical education was from him and *Popular Mechanics*.

used to read every catalog I could get my hands on. In '76 I visited Detroit for the first time, and near the airport I saw a sign saying how many cars were sold. I was fascinated. Then I visited car factories. For many of us, it goes to our past, and our past is our cars; it's a perfect combination of technology and esthetics.

#### Lloyd: What do you drive?

**Eitan:** I have a Chrysler and a very old pickup. I have two museums of cars. My first car in America when I lived here in the early 80s was a 1970 Pontiac Catalina. I loved that thing.

#### **Lloyd:** It was like 90 feet long.

**Eitan:** It was a huge, huge thing. I used to fix it up. Me coming from a small country and having a big American car; I didn't need any more dreaming after that.

#### **Lloyd:** I understand you lived in New Jersey and later went to Harvard Business School.

**Eitan:** Much later. Then I worked for a while with the nephew of Albert Einstein.

#### **Lloyd:** So you worked in America and then went back to Israel?

**Eitan:** I worked at ISCAR as a kid, then I went out to do my thing. After coming back from the States, I did a lot of turnaround deals, but all in metal; clever products, clever materials, clever customers.

#### Lloyd: Are you trained as an engineer?

#### **Lloyd:** Do you see radical changes in the cutting tool field?

**Eitan:** It has several forces. It's materials that we will try to machine and the tools that we will use to machine them – fast or slowly. Then you have the issue of the machines, then the issue of the application. In the past we used to do rough machining and the whole form. Today it's about the finishing of things – we get away from grinding and try to turn it. A lot of applications I don't think are really solved yet. It still will take five to 10 more years to really understand how material behaves.

#### **Lloyd:** Do you think that the high price of nickel, which affects stainless steel, will push more people towards different kinds of materials?

**Eitan:** It depends. Certain places need certain material strengths and I think you can get some of it through the geometry, the material or a combination. I think a lot of industries are throwing a lot of material away and they want to be able to throw away less. In the aerospace business I see a high "buy to fly" ratio, which has a long way to go.

#### Lloyd: What do you mean "buy to fly"?

**Eitan:** You buy one pound of material. How many parts of the pound will fly? How much do you buy and how much will really be the end product.

**Lloyd:** We did a piece a few months ago after IMTS about the X1 Corporation process of printing metal parts using metal layering. This could have a big effect longer term on the cutting tool business and on the materials used. You don't think so?

**Eitan:** I doubt it, because I think the metal wants to be alloyed, to come together in certain processes. I think the (printing) process is very expensive, but it has a lot of flexibility from a geometrical point of view. For a short series it could work.

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#### **Lloyd:** Talking about quality, I saw that you recently built a plant in China. Do you worry about losing control over your intellectual property?

Eitan: Look, worry is a part of life. I mean a lot of people overcome fears by inventing new fears. I'm not sure it solves anything. The only way we have a chance to be the best in intellectual property is to keep on inventing. We'll be copied, of course. So we have to live with that phenomenon, but sooner or later more countries will be part of the legal process that honors people's rights. It's a process. China is not yet there, but it will be one day. We may win sometimes; we may lose sometimes, but we're going to keep on developing. We are aware that today it's easier to be a copier because technology makes life easier. In the past it was much more difficult.

#### **LG:** But we also live in a dangerous world. In Israel a year ago bombs were dropping on you. What happened to the factory during the war?

**Eitan:** We sent half the people to Tel Aviv and kept on working. We didn't miss a single shipment or customer.

#### NG: But you moved half the people?

**Eitan:** First of all, we have a lot of automation. Second, other people just worked harder and they loved it because they wanted to show what we can be. The other element is that Israel is only one-third of our workforce. Most of the other people are in Korea, Rockford, Dallas, Brazil, China, Japan, Italy, France, and England. Of course, we knew something could happen one day. And I must tell you, in the war we lost two cars. On a normal day, somebody could have an accident and we might lose two cars. But everybody came home healthy. That's amazing.

#### **Lloyd:** Do you look at the Lebanon War as Round One?

**Eitan:** I don't know. I have no idea. I have no way to judge yes or no. But we do a lot of activity with Israeli Arabs. Our factory is a totally mixed factory. We have Jews, Christian Arabs, Muslim Arabs, Druze. For 50 years we have had wonderful relations. Industry and economy can be twofold peacemaking.

**Lloyd:** I wrote an article about the three "I's" of Israel, Ireland, and India – three economies booming amidst political craziness with wars.

Eitan: Tension brings creativity. It's unfortunate what

I'm saying, but that's life. I must say that you're 100 percent right.

#### **Lloyd:** Do you have investments in India?

**Eitan:** We have very big market share in India with a very nice factory in Bangalore growing leaps and bounds. We also have another partnership in Pune.

#### **Lloyd:** What has been the best part about your business relationship with your father?

**Eitan:** The main thing – respect. Each one of us is very independent. We had to work together, and we accepted each other's ways, and it worked fantastically. I've seen other places that somebody comes to look over your shoulder too many times – that's very difficult. The second element is you have to do it early. You don't start learning a business when you're 55. You have to start when you're willing to make mistakes, and you can accept them when you are still young.

#### **Lloyd:** Do you think the family model of business can still work?

**Eitan:** I've heard 84 percent of the businesses in the U.S. are family businesses. Everybody does it; it must be something not that bad.

#### Lloyd: Do you have children?

**Eitan:** I have 5 children. You don't teach your children driving or your wife to drive unless you want to wreck the family, so you have to keep rules. For children, don't give them too much sugar. You don't make their life too sweet. Teaching is good but not sugaring around. Sometimes that works. With my father I had a wonderful time, but I see many other guys where it didn't work.

I told my children, "Do exactly what you want." I prefer for them to be entrepreneurs, not to be guarding what father or grandfather did. I enjoyed like hell building what I built. I enjoyed doing turnarounds as a young man. Today I'm looking for the next adventure in the industry. I love industry. I love production. I like to work in the factory. I like the people. This is my life. I don't want to change it. Maybe somebody will say this is very stupid, but this is my life.



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**Lloyd Graff:** Kennametal was a global firm when you took over, but now you are making it more so. Can you describe your product development approach as it relates to your global plan?

Carlos Cardoso: When we do a product development, it's global. If you go into one of our review meetings for product development, you'll see somebody from India; from China, from Germany. They are on the phone working on the same CAD system, and then engineering is concurrent. So while the team here goes home at 4:00 or 5:00 p.m., there's somebody in India who can continue on with the project, somebody in China and so forth. We never sleep.

### **LG:** That's pretty unique.

**CC:** This is why this company has become the performance company that we are; we have done some very unique things. We have concurrent engineering, one CAD system around the world, all in the same database.

**Noah Graff:** Somebody from Motorola told me their engineering branches in different countries don't

share their technology with each other, and basically they all develop their own phones independently. Is it like that here?

CC: No, and I believe that this is better for us. When we develop a tool, even if there are certain nuances for China, 80 to 90 percent of the tool is the same so we can produce that tool anywhere around the world for those markets. We had an instance here when we were developing a product. I went into one of the product reviews here, and they were having some engineering challenges. That evening I flew to Germany, then went to our R&D at 10:00 the next morning. There was a message for me there to see the engineer working on this product. He had already solved the problem. I slept all night on the plane, I got there and the problem was solved. That's the power of this thing.

Another important part of our strategy is global accounts. Think about Caterpillar – there's a Kennametal guy in Peoria who works with Caterpillar's manufacturing people to understand the Caterpillar strategy. One of the challenges with a lot of our big customers is they have the strategies of lean [manufacturing] and do all



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this stuff with a single focus. Now, when you go to China, when you go south somewhere in the U.S., that plant says, "We're going to do whatever we want." So those customers are having their own challenges of getting their whole organization around the strategy. Now we have an engineer at that plant, so our guy can actually help our customers implement their strategy because we can give them the same solutions in Mexico or in China that we do in Peoria. If we sell that solution from the bottom up, those guys feel that they get a feather in their cap because they're meeting the corporate goal, but it's their solution in a way. So this global account is a tremendous value proposition for our customers. Caterpillar opened a plant in China – on their first day, we had a half dozen people there teaching their operators how to start up the shop.

### LG: That's a coup.

CC: This is how you focus on the customer versus just selling the product. If I'm selling you a product and that's all I'm doing, I'm only as good as anybody else in the marketplace. If I'm making sure that you get up and running as fast you can, if I'm making sure that you're making money as a result of being part of Kennametal, then I'm adding value. We are becoming a customer-focused company. One thing is saying it, the other thing is doing it; and I tell you, making this change is like being at the head of an aircraft carrier. Sometimes you turn the wheel and it takes awhile before that ship moves. It takes a lot of courage to take a company that is doing fairly well and is well recognized and say, "Oh my God, we've got to do a 90-degree turn here." But that's what we have to do, otherwise we're going to be a "me-too." We have to look at how great we're doing today for 30 seconds - then we've got to spend the rest of the day thinking about how can we do better tomorrow, because the world changes fast.

LG: Talking about that, you've been growing internally and you've been growing with acquisitions. According to the business books, 80 percent of acquisitions fail. What's been your experience with your acquisitions? How do you make them work?

**CC:** We have very clear strategies here. One of the things we have that is unique to this company is a documented management operating system. One part of it is M&A, mergers and acquisitions. People that do M&A for us need to be certified in their process. We have a

very disciplined process to make acquisitions. We look at about 120 companies per year. In the last 12 months, we bought five.

### **LG:** Let me ask you about one – Manchester Tools.

CC: They were owned by Federal Signal. Manchester was part of a company that didn't understand their business, so they were kind of on their own and their growth rates were not very high. It was a very decent company, but they couldn't grow that much, and the resources were limited. We bought that company strategically. Manchester covers a niche product that Kennametal did not have. They have a very good cutoff line and grooving line, which Kennametal has kind of struggled with. But we now have Manchester Tool, and in the first 12 months we can take that whole line globally.

"We have to look at how great we're doing today for 30 seconds – then think about how we can do better tomorrow."

### LG: Phenomenal distribution.

CC: Phenomenal distribution from a Kennametal perspective. We can multi-brand, so we can put some of those products through the Kennametal channel. To be honest with you, Manchester covers a niche that one of our competitors is very good at. I'm an offensive player. I always believe that if you're not on offense, then you leave yourself open for your customers or competitors to kind of nibble at you. Now we have a line that we can compete with and give our competitors something to be distracted about because we're going to go into their heart with this line. We're going to have a product manager that is going to be focused on that line; he's going to drive that globally. We believe that we can double Manchester's sales every three years. We're going to take a regional company and make it a global product line.

**LG:** Carlos, I understand after our meeting you're going to Nantucket to talk to an investors' conference. How much of your corporate job is plugging the stock?

CC: Well, I wouldn't call it plugging the stock, but it's

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a fair question. When I became a CEO, I had to do a lot more with the investor community than before, plus I wanted to put a strategy out there. I wanted people to understand the company. So in the first 18 months it was not so much about plugging the stock as it was to say, "This is the vision. This is the strategy of the company. This is where we're going and this is what the company is." I'm changing the focus to where I don't need to spend as much time with the financial community. My CFO can spend time with the financial community and supplement there, where as I can spend more time with the customers; I can spend more time internally now. God knows, in 12 months my priority is going to be different. It really depends what stage we are at as a company. I spend a lot of time now with acquisitions because it's important; it's one of our strategies. I have to sit down every year and reflect on what happened last year; where we are, where the company is going and what will my focus be in the next 12 months.

### LG: What are you reading these days?

**CC:** I just finished a book called *The Whisper of Your Heart*. It talks about how you listen to your subconscious, because people are going at you 200 miles per hour and your conscious is not getting enough information from your subconscious, and you're just not as aware as you should be.

### **NG:** What is an average day for you as a CEO?

**CC:** My day today is meeting with you guys in the morning. I took the first hour to prepare for the day. I work with my assistant throughout the day because my calendar is probably the most challenging thing to manage, and she does a great job. I'm doing a review today of our M&A, looking at what's in the pipeline, what is not. I'm doing a strategic review for one of the units to try to figure out - where are we going to go next? Most often I work through lunch. Today one of the top guys from Fairfield University, my alma mater, is coming to talk to me to see if I can get more involved with the school. This afternoon, I fly to Nantucket to spend part of the afternoon and tomorrow doing investor meetings. We do quarterly reviews with all the business, so I spend two days per quarter on that. Our fiscal year ends this month. It starts in July, so we just finished planning review meetings and that takes a week for me and

my CFO. I want to make sure all the people understand the P&L in front of me, because I want to look them in the eyes and say, "Are you committed to this?" It's very important that we have these meetings.

### NG: How many hours a week do you work?

CC: The life of a CEO, you are on 24 hours a day, which is kind of sad in some ways. Because we are a global company, I can get a call at 1:00 in the morning. When you have 14,000 employees, there's something going on somewhere around the world that I need to know about. I would say that on average I probably work about 60/70 hours a week. I feel that now we have a good team and so maybe I can get a little bit of relief on that. I spend one week a quarter in the shops. I wish I could spend 90 percent of my time in the shops because I just love it. I'm a different style of CEO. There's CEOs that spend all their time in the office. I spend the time in the office that I have to. The rest of the time I'm on the road.

"I have to sit down every year and reflect on what happened, where the company is going and what my focus will be."

# **LG:** Are you talking about the shop here or customers' shops?

**CC:** Both, but I like to go into our shops. I'm a shop rat, so that's exciting for me.

### **LG:** What's the hardest part of being a CEO?

**CC:** You don't own your time anymore. Everybody knows where I am at any time. I'm a private person. I don't mind working 70 hours, but on Sunday I like to be able to get up and not shave and go have brunch. I can't do that anymore because everywhere I go people know me, and people come to my table, they want to shake my hand and talk to me. I understand that comes with the job, but it's sort of difficult for me.

**LG:** Are you going to enjoy visiting Nantucket, or just get out of there as soon as your meetings are over?





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**CC:** I'm getting out of there as soon as the meetings are over.

### LG: What a shame.

CC: Isn't it? My family is very important to me. I have two boys, both at Arizona State University. This Friday I'm actually going to the Caribbean with them, just the three of us. That's very important. I recharge. I retreat. But when I go on a business trip, it's a business trip. When you're with employees, investors or customers, you have to be on top of your game. I often tell people that if you want to be a leader, you have to smile even if it hurts, all the time, because the way you present yourself really creates the environment for the company. If people see that I'm not smiling, they get worried about the company.

### **LG:** It must be tough being a public person.

CC: I think it's tough. Some people like it, some people don't like it. I don't like it, but I also know it comes with the job. I have to do that for the company because if I'm recognized, then the company's recognized and I can't shy away from that. I'm at airports around the world, I hear my name and I turn around, there's somebody who knows me at the Hong Kong Airport or the Berlin Airport. Sometimes it's an uncomfortable feeling. You feel like you don't own your life anymore.

LG: That must be tough. You talked about your two sons. I saw that you're a sponsor for the NIMs and for the Skills Contest. I was talking to one of our freelance writers whose two sons go to Dartmouth. He went to Dartmouth. He was in a fraternity there and every year he gets a letter from the fraternity saying what the seniors are going to be doing after they get out. He said that of the 23 seniors last year, 20 of them are going to work on Wall Street. I'm thinking to myself, what a pity. Where are the guys going into manufacturing, the clergy, becoming soldiers or artists?

CC: We have a challenge in this country, to be honest with you. I'm fortunate that I have an education that covered everything from finance to manufacturing to engineering, so I have a pretty well-rounded background. I've worked basically in every function in the company. I love manufacturing. You make things. I tell people that Kennametal is a pervasive company. Everything that you touch, Kennametal is part of it. Think about that.

You get up in the morning, you turn the light switch on – Kennametal helped make that light switch. You go have breakfast, you have cereal. Kennametal helped make that. That's an exciting thing, but people don't look at manufacturing as sexy. That concerns me most – that engineering and manufacturing are no longer a sexy thing.

# **LG:** Do you think your sons will end up working for a big manufacturing company or do they have no interest in that?

**CC:** They have no interest in that, as much as I try. Both kids are in liberal arts/marketing. They could work for a manufacturing company but not as an engineer. But I find it exciting. I just finished a trip last week on the road in the shops, and I came back recharged. I get recharged

## "That concerns me the most – that engineering and manufacturing are no longer sexy."

when I spend the time in the shop if it smells like oil. I love it. Talking to an operator to me is knowing that that operator knows what the company is, what the vision of the company is, knowing that he's aligned, knowing that he's excited about being part of the company. That's what drives me. That's what makes a difference for me. It's knowing that that guy's excited about Kennametal. I hope that guy loves what he does and his family is secure because of Kennametal. That really is what makes you say, "I'm really making a difference."



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BY NOAH GRAFF

# If gasoline reached \$10 per gallon in the U.S., would Americans alter their driving behavior?

Despite recent dramatic spikes in gasoline prices across the United States, with prices often exceeding \$3 per gallon, most Americans have not significantly changed their driving habits.

Yes. In an oil-based economy, such as the current one, an overnight price increase from \$3 per gallon to \$10 per gallon for motor fuel would cause a dramatic drop in the stock market. If the country were to enter into a recession as a result of the stock market plunge, gas prices would moderate and retreat from the \$10 mark, due to the resulting drop in demand for fuel and other distillate-based products.

Corporations could be forced to institute telecommuting policies that allowed more employees to work from home. Large urban areas would see an increase in car pooling, bus ridership, and subways. The President could enact a 55 mph speed limit on federal highways to increase fuel efficiency, as well as strict CAFÉ standards. The Strategic Petroleum Reserve could be tapped to provide temporary relief. Alternative fuels would become much more attractive, but would face availability issues.

Jim Rink
AAA-Michigan Spokesperson

If the price of gasoline reached \$10 a gallon, I think a lot of other things would have changed – like draw down of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, deployment of troops, etc. But, the question does underscore a basic reality about American life. We have built our society around the automobile and allowed Americans to become addicted to oil (in President Bush's terms), because of the way we have configured our living space and the utter failure to require auto makers to develop and sell fuel efficient vehicles. It is figuratively (if not literally) illegal to walk to the supermarket in many American neighborhoods because we have zoned commercial properties out of residential areas. People would cut back on social activities, which are often scattered across the map, but they would not be happy.

Mark Cooper
Consumer Federation of America

Yes, but not as much as you would think. While consumers would feel pinched by high prices, changing behavior requires having choices, and there are fewer than ever nowadays. Basically, consumers have three options for escaping high prices at the pump: Choosing a more fuel-efficient vehicle, gasoline substitutes, or alternatives to driving. Yet none of these offers consumers much solace: Vehicle fuel-economy standards have stagnated since the 1970s, a paltry one percent of retailers carry substitutes (i.e., biofuels), and sprawling suburban designs make it impossible to walk, bike or take transit. Without higher efficiency standards, widely accessible fuel alternatives, and improved community design, consumers will remain hard-wired into current reality with limited ways of coping with price increases.

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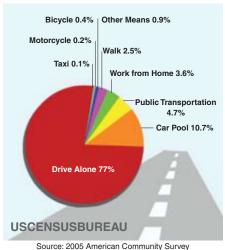
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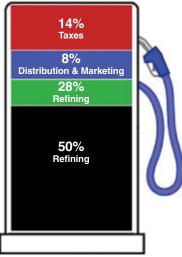
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# John Ratzenberger is best known for his role as Cliff

the mailman on Cheers. Today he hosts Made in America, a documentary-style television show on the Travel Channel in which he travels around the United States visiting American manufacturing companies and meeting factory workers. He also recently started the Nuts, Bolts and Thingamajigs Foundation to encourage and help kids develop the manual skills required to work in the manufacturing industry.

### NG: John, tell me about your family background. What did your parents do?

JR: I grew up in a factory town. My mother worked in a factory, my dad drove a truck. I was a carpenter before I became an actor.

### NG: Like Harrison Ford?

JR No, No, everyone says that, but Harrison Ford was a different kind of carpenter. I was a house framer, he was a fine carpenter. I actually did it for a living. I traveled around the country and throughout Europe building houses before I became an actor.

### NG: Why did you start the Nuts, Bolts and Thingamajigs Foundation?

JR: Traveling with my show, Made in America, it occurred to me after about 50 factory visits that the biggest problem [our country] is facing is the fact that kids now come out of high school without any manual skills. The average age of a factory worker is 52-years-old. So in six to 10 years, that's it. And without people who manufacture things, there is no civilization. It's over.

NG: Do you think in some ways we are headed in the right direction with TV shows like American Chopper and your show, and special technical Schools like Minuteman high school?

JR: There certainly is a trend, but still, [regular] high schools don't have shop courses anymore and TV shows are not going to change that.

NG: What's your greatest fear for the future of manufacturing in the United States?

IR: That we'll become a slave nation to China and India. That we'll have to do whatever they tell us to do, because without manufacturing we don't have any power. None at all.

### NG: What about the people who can only afford to shop at Wal-Mart because they need the cheaper goods made in China?

JR: I think that's a myth. I think there are a lot of people who just don't have money management skills. I've been to some of those homes, there's a lot of stuff just lying around. You don't have to buy a new bicycle if it breaks, you can always fix it. That's what we used to do and that's what gave kids skills.

### **NG** Do you see things going in the right direction in any respects?

**JR:** Not with the media. Any time you see a movie or a TV show, they depict someone who works with their hands as losers. Your job and my job are not important for the overall civilization. But if all the factory workers decided not to show up for work, or if all the heavy equipment operators decided not to show up for work, the country would collapse.

### NG: What's it like to live in Hollywood? You don't exactly seem the type who would like it much.

JR: Well, it's not a place you're going to raise goats. But you're here for a reason; because that's where the business is. It's an industry. They have raw material coming in one end of the building and a finished product going out the other end, no different from any factory town.

NG: Thanks John. By Barbara Donohue

# how it works

Photo below: Puma MX eries turn/mill center. Photo courtesy of DOOSAN Infracore America Corportion

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Photos Above: Nakamura Super NTX Mill/Turn center with ATC and lower turret with Y axis, and up to 220 tools in the tool changer, and 24 on the lower turret. Photo courtesy of Methods Machine Tools, Inc.



Photos Above: The GMX 250 S linear turning/milling center with TurnPlus programming system. Photo courtesy of DMG America.

# completed parts out the other.

### Are turn-mill machines the wave of the future?

hey're called turning-milling, multi-tasking, multi-function, or mill-turn machines. They turn and they mill, in the same machine, in the same setup, maybe even at the same time. They come with a lathe spindle, or more likely two, and some means of milling – turrets or a milling head or sometimes both, all with enough power to do real metal cutting.

Lathes with live tooling have been around for a long time, and, of course, screw machines have been turning and milling parts too.

But recent generations of turn-mill machines have the speed, power and flexibility to make parts faster, with higher accuracy and less setup time. They can machine from bar stock to finished parts, top and bottom, front and back, inside and out, all in the same machine,

Of course, these turn-mill centers are not cheap. A smaller, unit with, say, a 6-inch chuck, dual spindles, and two turrets, might run you \$200,000. A full-blown 9-axis tilting head machine with a 12-inch chuck could cost in the range of half a million dollars.

Can these machines really be worth it? A lot of people think so, and more and more shops are willing to pay.

Manufacturers of the turn-mill machines find customers need the machines' capabilities in order to stay competitive.

"We can go to a customer and say, 'We can improve your overall process time by at least 15 percent,'" said Steve Wilkins, general manager, northeast region for Mazak Corporation, Windsor Locks, Conn. And that's a minimum, he said. Thirty percent is common, and one customer has experienced 78 percent process time improvement, he said. "They shut down the [turn-mill] machine three days a month to let the rest of the shop catch up."

### Job shops are early adopters

Job shops with 25 employees or more seem to be the most likely to buy a turn-mill machine, Wilkins said. Smaller shops might hesitate at the cost and seek less expensive turning centers or lathes with some milling and drilling capability, and many large companies seem to be slow to adopt the new technology. This is actually good for the job shops that have turn-mill machines, as they can make parts more economically.

Shops need to have their turn-mill equipment in house and running, Wilkins said. "You can't get the contract and then order the equipment." He said he sometimes receives calls from customers looking for shops that have particular types of machine, and those shops receive orders.

One turn-mill machine can complete the processes that used to be done on three or four or five machines – lathes, milling machines, machining centers, pointed out Scott McIver, chairman, Methods Machine Tools, Inc., Sudbury, Mass., importer and distributor of Nakamura equipment. "Most of our customers buy this type of machine in situations where they need to be more profitable. [They're] getting rid of redundancy, can get rid of multiple operators and stations, and get a more accurate part." Turn-mill machines account for a significant portion of his company's sales, McIver said.

Sometimes a shop owner will come in and say, "I've got a part I want to quote," but he can't machine it on his current equipment, McIver said.

Once they start down the road to turn-mill, shops can use the machine to grow their business, McIver said. They can go out and find work, parts that need lots of milling, or secondary operations.

Also, when longtime customers say, "I need a discount," and the shop owner may think, "I can't make this part

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Photos Above: Aluminum fan housing machined on the Nakamura Super NTJX Turn/Mill center. Photo courtesy of Methods Machine Tools, Inc.

NOTE: All products are made complete from raw stock to finished part, in one operation off of the Nakamura-Tome machine centers.



Photos Above: Aluminum medical device machined on the Nakamura WT-150. Photo courtesy of Methods Machine Tools, Inc.



Steel valve with may Y axis milling features making full use of teh 3 Y axis on the Nakamura Super NTY3 Mill/Turn center. Photo courtesy of Methods Machine Tools, Inc.

# how it works

profitably," a multi-function machine can do just that, McIver said.

"By its nature it's automated," said Dion Coleman, application engineer at DOOSAN Infracore America Corp., West Caldwell, NJ. "Bar stock in one side, parts out the other."

"This is not the way to make every part. The key is the right quantity and the right complexity of parts," said Coleman. But the correct combination of quantity and complexity is different for every part. For example, for your just-in-time customers, you will want to make short runs. Your turn-mill machine can take care of that. Once you have the part program in the control and the tools in the magazine, you can start running that part quickly, maybe even in a matter of minutes, by just changing the material and work holding.

### Quality, Accuracy, Scheduling

If you have a multi-tasking machine, once you get it set up you can start producing parts immediately, said Coleman. Even better, you can do a first piece inspection and find out if there's a problem right away, rather than after running an entire batch of parts through several machines.

And, because you aren't moving the part from one machine to the next, it won't suffer from the accumulated loss of accuracy that comes from placing a part in one fixture after another, Coleman said.

Scheduling becomes a non-issue when one machine does the process, start to finish. And work-in-process inventory goes way down. A turn-mill center can even save floor space, as you don't have carts and tables of parts waiting for their next machine.

Of course, there is more to getting up and running than just buying the machine. Application engineers at the manufacturer will help you get started. You'll probably need to get up to date on the latest CAM software for programming your machine. This may be an easy step if you've been programming machining centers, but if you're stepping up from simpler machines or have been programming manually, it's going to take a while to learn and get comfortable with the software and operation of the machine.

### Programming

A turn mill is really a lathe with up to eight different kinds of milling going on as well, said Hanan Fishman, president of Partmaker, Inc., Fort Washington Pa. There is a lot happening inside the machine, but the individual motions aren't that complex if you break them down into their individual steps.

Besides controlling the cutting, you'll want to synchronize



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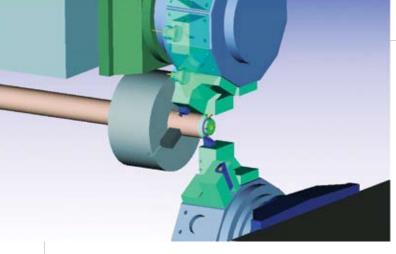


Photo: PartMaker's FNS machine simulation module is displayed for a twin turret, twin spindle machine. The PartMaker FMS module allows users to see collisions on-screen before they occur on the machine tool. Illustration courtesy of PartMaker, Inc.

operations, move the part from the left spindle to the right, perform cutoff, etc. You will also want to balance the operations on the left and right spindle, so they take approximately the same amount of time. Much of the time-saving potential of a turn-mill machine is that cutting can happen at both spindles at the same time.

To maximize the uptime for your new turn-mill machine, you'll want to create the program for each part offline, with a CAM (computer-aided manufacturing) software package.



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What you really need your software to do for you is produce code that works on your machine. The offline programming process actually consists of two aspects. One is creating a program to guide the actions of the machine. The second is transforming that program into code that will work on your model of machine. This is called post-processing, and is very important. If the post-processor for your machine doesn't work right, you will have to tweak and edit the code on the machine.

You will also want to check out the program before running it on the machine. Software packages often include simulation features so you can see what happens, step by step, and watch out for any problems.

In selecting software, your primary question should always be, "Can this software generate good code for my machine?" Fishman said.

When evaluating which software to buy, you should keep in mind the following:

- One size does not fit all
- Different shops approach programming differently, and start out with different part documentation, whether drawings, or electronic files.
- Do not take the vendor's word for anything. Check it out yourself
- Make sure the vendor demonstrates the software in a way and at a pace that is comfortable for you.
- Be sure to get independent references. You want to talk to people who are using the software and have the same machine you do.
- The manufacturer of the turn-mill machine may have a recommendation. Listen, but check out the software yourself.

You may want to take the "try before you buy" approach, in which your staff receives some training and then has a free trial of the software for a month. Or you may prefer a web-based demonstration, or a demonstration in person at your shop.

### Tooling

On mill-turn systems that have a milling spindle, the spindle will sometimes be milling and sometimes be holding a static tool for turning. This function can place a burden on the tool holding hardware.

One thing to be aware of when ordering a machine, Coleman said, is that manufacturers offer milling spindles with different types of tool connection systems. Turn-mill machines place more demands on the tool connection than



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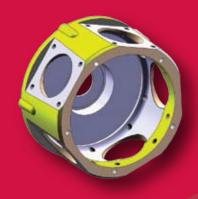


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either turning or milling. "You're using that spindle to hold both static and rotating [tools]," he said. "The indexing is critical." Many tooling companies have application engineers who specialize in tooling for multi-function machining and can advise you. Some offer tools and accessories specifically designed for multi-function machines.

The Coromant Capto connection system was developed for multi-function machines, but can be used elsewhere, as well. It is designed to provide repeatable installation within 80 millionths of an inch, said Jim Grimes, a product specialist at Sandvik, Inc., Fair Lawn, N.J.

Grimes said Sandvik has also developed a line of tooling for multitask machines. Multiple cutters can perform different types of cuts, which saves time on tool changes and saves space in the machine's tool-changer magazine.

### Getting the most from your turn/mill machine

Today's turn-mill machines will give you higher milling speeds than you may have been accustomed to on your older machines. Take advantage of their ability to take light, fast cuts. For best results, consult your tool vendor for the appropriate cutting tools.

And then there is the number of tools. Though the option for a larger capacity tool changer may seem like an unnecessary expense up front, consider how you will be using the machine in the future. If you keep all the tools for all the parts in the tool magazine, you will consistently minimize changeover time..

To help minimize the number of tools, look for places where you can use a single size of a cutter instead of multiples. For example, you may be accustomed to cutting part A with a half-inch end mill, and part B with a three-quarter-inch end mill. You can revise part B's program to use the half-inch mill, thus saving one tool.

These turn-mill machines may sound too good to be true, but users are finding they can cut process time, not to mention setup time and work-in-process inventory. The wave of the future? These multi-tasking machins may be a key to success.



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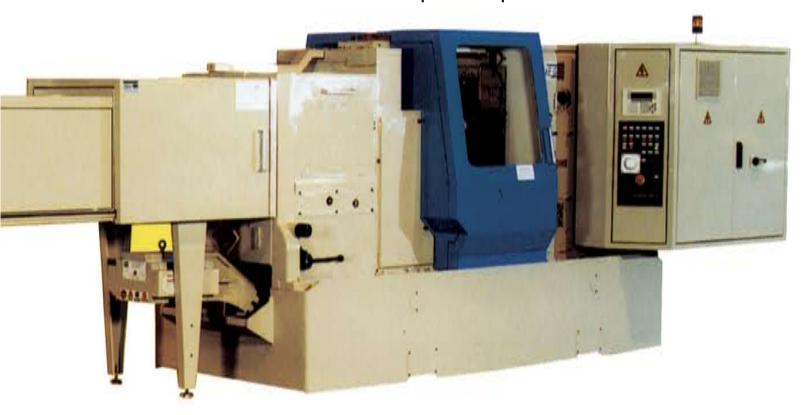
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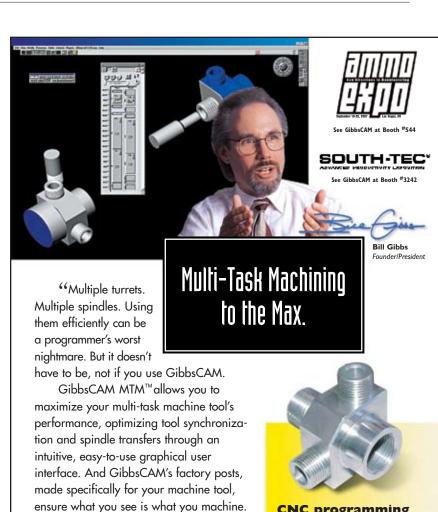
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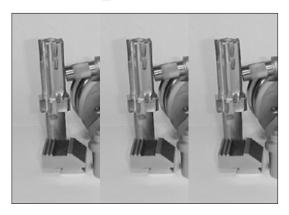
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## Who cut the cake right?

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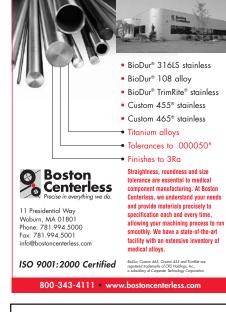
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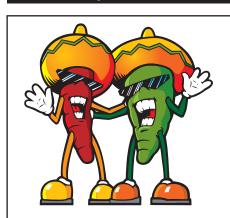
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# afterthought

# Pockets of Memory

It's 14 years this week since my mother, Thais Graff, died. I memorialize her on the date in the Jewish calendar, my sister does it on the secular calendar, and my brother Jim goes either way.

My memory of her fades a little every year, and I hate that. I keep photographs of her on our home refrigerator, on a cork bulletin board of family pictures, and in collages made by my wife and daughter. They help me remember her face, but her touch and smell continue to drift off.

I take a brief instant every morning to imagine her, to hear her voice, to connect a mental smile to the name "mom" that grows silently in my flat garden of memory.

My mother gave me that one most precious quality that every kid yearns for - full, unflinching love. For that I will be forever grateful. I never remember her criticizing me, although

"My mother gave me that one most precious gift that every kid yearns for - unflinching love."

she occasionally looked askance at my wardrobe choices. When I played baseball or basketball or ping pong competitively, she was my biggest fan.

The most prominent sound bite in my readily available oral memory is her yelling from the bleachers at a high school basketball game, "Give the ball to Lloyd." She always thought I would make every shot. If I missed, she believed I got fouled.

My mom gave me one of my biggest gifts as a kid - her passion for baseball, particularly the loveable but awful Chicago Cubs. She had grown up within walking distance of Wrigley Field, and occasionally went to games with her father, Sam Kassel, a devoted and knowledgeable Cub fan who had avidly followed the team from the turn of the century, when they were the best team in the Major Leagues.

My mom and I went to many ballgames, especially Ladies
Days on Fridays, to root for Ernie Banks and Ron Santo and Billy
Williams, and before that – Hank Sauer and Andy Pafko. How
we loved Ernie. His motto was "Let's play three" when other
players were complaining about suiting up for a day game or

a double header.

My mom never worked a job. She dropped out of college to marry my father in 1941 to the initial chagrin of her parents, who wanted her to marry another suitor whose parents had more money and social prominence than my dad's immigrant family. My father's charisma and focus bowled her over, and eventually her parents acquiesced to the marriage.

My mother truly loved my father, but he expected and demanded that she cater to him and revolve around his orbit. This worked well during the childrearing years as she embraced the motherhood role wholeheartedly, but it left her unfulfilled and dreary as the kids left the house. She said she wanted a career but my father frowned upon that, and she did not have the energy and inner confidence to go for it.

So by her mid to late 40s she was living a comfortable downhill life, looking for confirmation from her children and husband. Her health began to slide, and the joy she took from every day ebbed.

My wife Risa and I lived within walking distance of my parents for 10 years, and we used to come to wonderful Friday night Sabbath dinners and warm holiday feasts. My mom was a superb cook and baker, and she taught me how to smell a cantaloupe and pick out a great peach.

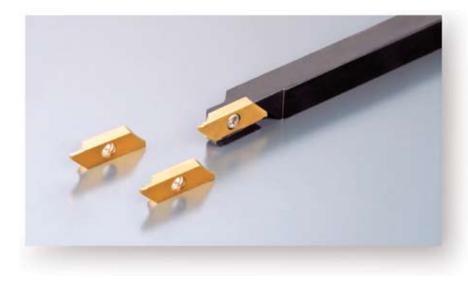
She made sweet and sour meatballs to die for and perfect apple pies and yeasty schnecken.

My mom was smart and literate. She could have done a lot more things in her years and been a happier, more fulfilled woman over the last third of her life. But for me, she was the wonderful loving mom who was there for me when I needed her most.

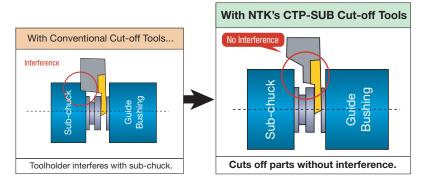
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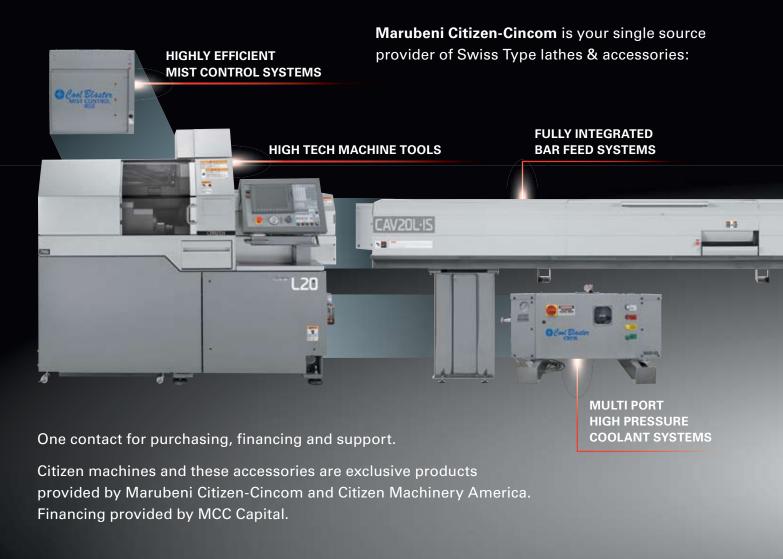
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