



Investor Spotlight

Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry

Established in 1909, Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry has consistently provided the finest quality aluminum and copper based alloy castings for a wide variety of industries. We specialize in Permanent Mold, Green Sand Molding, Dry Sand and Low Pressure molding processes and can take your casting design from prototype samples to production tooling in a time frame to meet your needs. Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry takes pride in our Quality, Engineering, Manufacturing and Service that keeps us well ahead of our competition.



Continuous technological advances throughout the foundry such as robotic finishing equipment, and precision CAD prototyping prove Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry's commitment to excellence. It's that commitment that has earned WAF the prestigious Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year award for 3 years.

Learn more about WAF by [clicking here](#)

Entrepreneurial Boot Camp

Dates: Tuesday, November 6th through Thursday, November 8th

Time: 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Progress Lakeshore (202 North 8th St., Suite 101, Manitowoc)

Fees: None - Reserve your seat today!



Learn more by [clicking here](#)

Progress Lakeshore Honors Founders for 15 Years

On Thursday, September 20 Progress Lakeshore held their first annual Food & Friends for Progress. At this event, several of the key founders of the organization were presented with an award.



Pictured Left to Right: Cathie Kocourek (PL Board President), Aurora Health Care, Steve Shellman, Schenck SC, Will Casey, Access Investment Advisors, Andrew Steimle, Steimle Birschbach, Tim Schneider, Investors Community Bank, Laura Wiegert, Investors Community Bank, Mark Ring, Ring Enterprises, and Peter Wills, Progress Lakeshore.

Manitowoc Business Owner Recognized by WASB

At its September 24th school board meeting, the School District of Mishicot honored Kevin Krueger, owner of KNM Machining and Industrial Maintenance. Mr. Krueger was presented with a certificate of nomination from the Wisconsin Association of School Boards for the 2018 Business Honor Roll. The WASB recognizes businesses who make significant contributions to public school districts.



Pictured from left to right: Kevin Krueger, KNM and Paul Orlich, Superintendent for the School District of Mishicot

VIDEO: Dairy farmer: USMCA is good for America

NAFTA need to be updated, says Pete Kappelman, owner of Meadow Brook Dairy Farms and a key founder to Progress Lakeshore.

View the Video by [clicking here](#)

Year Over Year Unemployment Rates Decline Or Hold Steady In All 12 Wisconsin Metro Areas For 58th Consecutive Month

The Department of Workforce Development (DWD) today released the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) estimates of unemployment and employment statistics for metro areas, major cities and counties in Wisconsin. The estimates include updates to July 2018 and preliminary estimates for August 2018. Unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

Read the full release by [clicking here](#)

The Employment Situation - September 2018

The unemployment rate declined to 3.7 percent in September, and total non-farm payroll employment increased by 134,000, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Job gains occurred in professional and business services, in health care, and in transportation and warehousing.

Read the full release by [clicking here](#)

Many Parents Undervalue Manufacturing as a Career for Their Children

However, when parents were told about the financial benefits of jobs in

manufacturing, they said they would encourage their children to explore the field.

Read the full article by [clicking here](#)

Small Business Saturday

It's the annual holiday shopping tradition that gets communities everywhere out in support of their favorite small businesses. This year, Small Business Saturday falls on Nov 24. Find out how you can get in on the biggest day of the year in the U.S. for the Shop Small Movement.



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First Business Bank - Provide Feedback & Get the Economic Forecast for Northeast Wisconsin Businesses

You're busy, so we made it easy: take three minutes to take our anonymous financial survey now. We use the data to create a report for you that assesses local business activity in 2018, tracks trends, and helps you forecast for 2019.

Access the survey by [clicking here](#)

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