

# MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

### APPRENTICESHIP

TDMAW supports and encourages apprenticeships. Wisconsin Industrial Trades Apprenticeships are “On The Job” (OTJ) training agreements specific to the skills learned and vary in length.

### CPR TRAINING

CPR training is offered every other year. Wisconsin apprentices are now required to take CPR training. This course meets and exceeds OSHA, MSHA and NFPA 70E training requirements for first aid in the workplace.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

In keeping with our Mission Statement, the TDMAW is pleased to offer two scholarship options to assist students enrolled in a Machine Tool Operations Program or Tool & Die Program at any accredited Wisconsin technical college. These scholarships are sponsored by TDMAW Group Buying Partners, E.L. Simeth and MSC Industrial Supply Company.

### TRAINING GRANTS

TDMAW, in conjunction with Wisconsin Precision Metalworking Council, was instrumental in securing a \$3 million Federal H1-b Training Grant in 2002 (exclusively for members’ employees). In the spring of 2009, we received another “members only” training grant for \$350,000.

## GROUP BUYING BENEFITS

The TDMAW has agreements with Group Buying Partners (vendors) that offer the best quality service and products to members at the lowest possible price— benefiting from group purchasing power.

## INDUSTRY REPRESENTATION- BOTS IQ WISCONSIN

In 2006, TDMAW, along with AMBA & NTMA, launched BotsIQ Wisconsin at southeastern Wisconsin schools. This national educational robotics program is an innovative and alternative way for students to learn math and the sciences - with a proven record of encouraging entry into precision metalworking careers. TDMAW members and Group Buying Partners designed and built the first-class arena at Discovery World for BotsIQ competitions. We strongly endorse this program.



## INSURANCE

For over ten years, TDMAW has endorsed Federated Insurance’s group health, property and liability, and worker’s compensation programs. They provide quality, industry-specific coverage and excellent service backed by competitive pricing. To request a quote, compare coverage or for a representative in your area, visit them online at [www.federatedinsurance.com](http://www.federatedinsurance.com) or contact the TDMAW office at [toolmaker@TDMAW.org](mailto:toolmaker@TDMAW.org).

## LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATION

TDMAW strives to represent our industry to key state and federal politicians. Recent successful initiatives include:

- ◆ In 2006, we created a Wisconsin Lien Law to allow tool builders to file a lien on the special tools that they build, providing an added incentive for the purchaser of the tool to pay. TDMAW also created a “how to use and compliance guidelines” booklet - FREE to members.
- ◆ Since 2007, TDMAW’s contracted lobbyists have arranged meetings between State officials and TDMAW members. The goal is to educate legislators regarding the importance of manufacturing and to identify and report on legislation proposals that impact TDMAW members.
- ◆ Our current initiative is facilitating legislative tours/meetings of member companies.

## MEMBER MEETINGS & OUTINGS

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Regular membership meetings are held on the first Tuesday, throughout the year. The agenda includes socializing and networking. It is followed by dinner, activity updates by committee chairs and a speaker who addresses the group on interesting topics. Including past speakers such as Scott Walker and Charlie Sykes. The cost to each member is nominal.

### JUNE OUTING

We host a group outing where members choose between golf or charter fishing on Lake Michigan. These outings rival the very best in the area.

### SUMMER OUTING

Enjoy 9-holes of golf and a cook-out with TDMAW members, employees, families, friends, Group Buying Partners & their guests at this annual August late afternoon Summer Outing.

### POST HOLIDAY PARTY

Start the new year on a positive note with our Post Holiday Party. Members and their spouses/guests will enjoy an evening of dining, dancing and entertainment at a nominal price.

## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

This comprehensive tool offers member demographics, capabilities and contact information for enhanced networking opportunities.

## SURGEONS OF STEEL NEWSLETTER

Members receive our monthly *Surgeons of Steel* newsletter— a comprehensive and informational monthly publication. Members are afforded the opportunity to place classified ads .

## WAGE & BENEFIT SURVEY

A timely wage and benefit survey is conducted among members. Members that complete and return the survey are eligible to receive the results. Typically, about 100 companies participate.

## INTERNET SALES & MARKETING

Our newly updated website will enhance your networking and advertising opportunities.

- ◆ Searches are indexed so potential buyers can locate and purchase from member companies.
- ◆ Expanded search capabilities within the site.
- ◆ Events Calendar and Industry news.
- ◆ When you Google "Wisconsin Tool & Die," TDMAW.org is the #1 hit based on 2.3 million results!

Newsletter and Website advertising available. For more information, contact us at [toolmaker@TDMAW.org](mailto:toolmaker@TDMAW.org).



## WHAT IS THE TOOL, DIE & MACHINING ASSOCIATION OF WISCONSIN?

TDMAW is an independent organization consisting of 150+ members. Its purpose is to provide a forum for Wisconsin independent tool, die and machine shop owners to discuss mutual problems in our industry and the exchange of various ideas in business management. We are committed to the education of the community, parents, teachers, and students about our industry through apprenticeships, scholarships and seminars. This leads to the lifelong rewards of a career in the precision metalworking industry.

As industry in Wisconsin has changed in recent years, sharing information helps us find solutions that are mutually beneficial. Our member companies have created a pride and understanding in our trade unequalled anywhere else! As a participating TDMAW member, you can expect a worthwhile return on your investment.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues are only **\$180 per calendar year**  
or \$120 after July 1st



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## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

### BENEFITS INCLUDE . . .

- ◆ Educational Training
- ◆ Group Buying Benefits
- ◆ Insurance
- ◆ Internet Sales & Marketing
- ◆ Member Meetings
- ◆ Social Outings
- ◆ Training Grants
- ◆ Wage & Benefit Survey

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