



GALA AWARDS

DINNER

HONOURING OUR
2023 AWARD RECIPIENTS

HELPING MANUFACTURERS **GROW**

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**CELEBRATING MANITOBA
EXCELLENCE IN MANUFACTURING
AND EXPORTING.**

THANK YOU FOR JOINING CME
TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE REMARKABLE
INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT
HAVE MADE OUTSTANDING
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
MANUFACTURING AND EXPORTING
INDUSTRY, BOTH LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY.

MENU

DINNER

Chopped leaf artisan blend salad, candied walnuts, smoked gouda, dried cranberries, raspberry balsamic dressing

N.Y. 6oz striploin, garlic jumbo prawn, parmesan smashed potatoes, roasted root vegetables, natural jus

Blueberry cobbler, white chocolate cheesecake

WINE

Pelee Island, VQA, Ontario--Pinot Grigio

Pelee Island, VQA, Ontario--Merlot

CME GALA AWARDS PROGRAM

WELCOME

Mr. Peter Jordan, Emcee

OPENING REMARKS

The Honourable **Doyle Piwniuk**
Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Chad Brick

CME Manitoba Board Chair

DINNER

AWARDS PRESENTATION

Export Award | Emerging Award | Safety Leadership Award
Hall of Fame Pioneer Inductee | Hall of Fame Inductee

CME SCHOLARSHIPS

CME's scholarship programs support the education of manufacturing workers. Your participation in our annual Made in Manitoba Golf Tournament, held in partnership with Food & Beverage Manitoba, builds and sustains the fund required to present these scholarships.

WOMEN IN MANUFACTURING SCHOLARSHIP

Women in Manufacturing (WIM) is CME's pan-Canadian initiative that aims to increase the number of females employed in the manufacturing industry. This scholarship supports the education of women entering the manufacturing workforce.

MANUFACTURING TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship helps support and prepare the next generation for a career in manufacturing with a focus on growing skilled labour talent in Manitoba.

INDIGENOUS MANUFACTURING SCHOLARSHIP

CME is committed to supporting the inclusion and success of Indigenous communities across Canada. Through this scholarship, we aim to engage, support and reduce barriers to access to a quality education and in turn, rewarding career in manufacturing.

CME WIM SCHOLARSHIP

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 RECIPIENTS

Jasmine MacFarlane
Tec Voc High School,
Welding

CME MANITOBA'S MANITOBA TRADE & TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 RECIPIENTS

Pablo Lopez Guerrero

University of Manitoba,
Faculty of Engineering, Industrial Track

Jerrard Andre Dimal

Tec Voc High School,
Welding

CME MANITOBA'S INDIGENOUS MANUFACTURING SCHOLARSHIP

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 RECIPIENTS

Madan Frolek

University of Manitoba,
Mechanical Engineering

EXPORT AWARD

ELMER'S MANUFACTURING

Elmer's Manufacturing Ltd. designs, manufactures, and supports high-quality, innovative equipment focusing on the needs of progressive farmers. Elmer's started as a small farm business in 1978 and has grown from building row crop cultivators to an extensive and diversified group of equipment lines for any size farming operation.

In the late 2000s, Elmer's began producing the Haulmaster grain carts and the revolutionary Super 7 Harrow and later added the Wolverine Ditcher, Ravage Bale Processor. In 2019 Elmer's had a fire, resulting in a total loss of their assembly and paint building.

Elmer's continues to expand its facilities and equipment capabilities to maintain the company's vision to provide innovative agricultural equipment and solutions for maximizing farming potential to feed the world. integrate with any business application.

Learn more at: www.elmersmfg.com

EMERGING AWARD

MICRO TOOL & MACHINE LTD.

Micro Tool & Machine Ltd. (MTM) is a globally recognized equipment supplier that designs and manufactures robotic-based machines and tooling solutions used in the manufacturing of distribution and medium-sized power transformers. MTM also offers custom machine design, automation, and robotic integration services to the local market. Located in Winnipeg, Canada, MTM has provided custom solutions both locally and globally for over 55 years.

As part of their engineering, design, and manufacturing capabilities, MTM uses modern techniques and processes in our daily operations. Lean Manufacturing concepts are rooted in daily activities as they constantly look for ways to improve how they do their jobs.

Learn more at www.mtmmachines.ca.

SAFETY LEADERSHIP AWARD

TODD LEROY

VP, Manufacturing, Loewen Windows

Todd LeRoy has a diverse career at Loewen which has included many roles with increased responsibility since he started at Loewen in 1982.

Starting on the shipping dock, Todd moved into positions that included safety, transportation, and leadership throughout his 40-year tenure with the company. In addition to his earlier roles in workplace safety and health, Todd credits his dedication to safety to his time with the Volunteer Paramedic Service of Steinbach.

Todd's diversification in knowledge, leadership and expertise has been invaluable during a temporary on-site assignment in 2009 as the Director, Operations for Loewen Lift Slide in Oceanside, California where he provided leadership on Lean principles, process improvement and operations practices. He held several leadership positions in nearly all areas of Loewen, and in 2015 was promoted to VP, Manufacturing.

Learn more at: www.loewen.com

PIONEER AWARD

A.D. PLETT
(awarded posthumously)
Westfield Industries

In 1950, Abraham Plett – inventor, entrepreneur, and businessman – bought a grain auger to resell to a customer. In what could have been a serious accident, the auger collapsed under load. Abraham, as a result, designed a better undercarriage for the manufacturer. But when the manufacturer refused to incorporate his design improvements, Abraham decided he would build a better grain auger himself. He sold his first two augers in 1951, choosing the name Westfield, alongside the now-familiar bright yellow colour – reminiscent of the gold prairie wheat which surrounded his home.

Today, Westfield has become the leading portable grain auger manufacturer in the world. Founded and operated on Abraham's same principles of invention and progress, the company has stayed committed to adapting designs, innovation, and customer satisfaction.

Learn more at: www.aggrowth.com

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

STEVE KROFT

Former President and Chairman, Conviron

Steve joined Conviron, a company owned by the Kroft family, and operated the business and its associated companies (the CEL Group) as President, CEO and then Executive Chairman until its sale in September 2022. Under Steve's leadership, CEL became widely recognized as the world leader in the supply and manufacturer of controlled environment equipment used primarily in agricultural research and high value plant production applications.

Steve now spends most of his business time at Falcon Capital Corporation, his family investment office, which invests in a range of companies and real estate. He serves on the Board of Directors of the North West Company (NWC.TO). He is also on the Board of Directors of the recently established Manitoba First Fund. Previously, Steve served as Vice Chair of Manitoba Hydro.

Learn more at: www.conviron.com

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