

**February 15–16—AWEA Wind Power on Capitol Hill 2017** Washington D.C. AWEA Wind Power on Capitol Hill is a rare opportunity for AWEA members and others who want to help advance wind energy to participate in advocacy training and then put that training to work to educate legislators and their staff on the wind industry's top policy initiatives at both the state and federal level. Over the course of two days attendees will participate in an advocacy boot camp where they'll learn the most effective techniques for conducting meetings on the Hill, and fostering long-lasting relationships with elected officials; put that training to work in face-to-face meetings with elected officials and their staff; understand how federal and state policies affect the future of U.S. wind development and network with colleagues in the industry and congressional staff at a reception on Capitol Hill. For more information, visit [www.awea.org](http://www.awea.org).

**February 22–24—AGMA 2017 Gear Materials** Clearwater Beach, Florida. Learn what is required for the design of an optimum gear set and the importance of the coordinated effort of the gear design engineer, the gear metallurgist, and the bearing system engineer. Investigate gear-related problems, failures and improved processing procedures. Gear design engineers, management involved with the design and manufacture of gearing type components; metallurgists and materials engineers; laboratory technicians; quality assurance technicians; furnace design engineers; and equipment suppliers should attend. The course is instructed by Ray Drago and Roy Cunningham. For more information, visit [www.agma.org](http://www.agma.org).

**March 6–9—AeroDef Manufacturing 2017** Fort Worth, Texas. AeroDef 2017 showcases the industry's most advanced technologies across an innovative floor plan designed to facilitate interaction and business relationships between exhibitors and buyers looking for integrated solutions. Keynote speakers and panelists come from the highest level of government and business. They come to share their vision of the potential of technology, collaboration and public policy to transform manufacturing – concepts that attendees can actually experience on the exposition floor and in conference sessions. It's the one event that brings together high-concept, integrated solutions and real-world applications. Produced by the SME, in partnership with industry OEMs, the show's mission is to foster innovation across the extended enterprise to reduce costs, expedite production times and maintain manufacturing competitiveness in the global economy. For more information, visit [aerodefevent.com](http://aerodefevent.com).

**March 7–9—An Introduction to Gear Process Engineering** Naperville, Illinois. The first in a new training seminar series from Arvin Global Solutions, this course will give attendees an extensive background on gear processing. Presenters include Bruce Roberge, Ron Green, Matt Mondek, Chuck Schultz, Mike Steele, Al Swiglo and Kevin Walsh. These recognized experts will discuss specific aspects of gear machining as well as heat treatment and quality. The seminar fee is \$1,925 and includes breakfast and lunch each day as well as a training manual containing a summary of seminar topics. For more information, visit [www.arvinglobalsolutions.com](http://www.arvinglobalsolutions.com).

**March 7–12—TIMTOS 2017** Taipei City, Taiwan. TIMTOS is Asia's second largest and Taiwan's largest metal processing equipment trade show. This event will host a record of 1,103 exhibitors from 21 countries. Participants will use 5,434 booths to interact with 47,500 projected visitors from 90 nations. To mark the show's 26th cycle, TIMTOS is presenting several features, and a fresh focus on industry 4.0+ and smart manufacturing for seamless industrial upgrades. One show highlight is the Summit that takes place March 8th and March 9th in Conference

Room 101 at the Taipei International Convention Center (TICC). It addresses the four topics of Smart Machines; Future Factories; the Automotive Manufacturing Revolution and the Aerospace Supply Chain. For more information, visit [www.timtos.com.tw/en\\_US/news/info.html?id=0B1908D16C18F485](http://www.timtos.com.tw/en_US/news/info.html?id=0B1908D16C18F485).

**March 21–23—AGMA 2017 Gearbox CSI** Concordville, Pennsylvania. Gain a better understanding of various types of gears and bearings. Learn about the limitation and capabilities of rolling element bearings and the gears that they support. Grasp an understanding of how to properly apply the best gear-bearing combination to any gearbox from simple to complex. Gear design engineers; management involved with design, maintenance, customer service, and sales should attend. Instructors include Ray Drago and Joseph W. Lenski, Jr. For more information, visit [www.agma.org](http://www.agma.org).

**March 22–25—The MFG Meeting 2017** Amelia Island, Florida. Hundreds of manufacturing leaders will gather to gain a deeper understanding of the forces transforming manufacturing—from the digital factory and cybersecurity to economic and global market trends. Featuring an array of entrepreneurs, technologists, business experts, and more, MFG speakers give insight for the future of manufacturing along with inspiration to lead your organization with courage, clarity, and wisdom. Keynote speakers include tech entrepreneur Josh Linkner, current player for the Philadelphia Eagles, Jon Dorenbos and Douglas K. Woods, president of AMT. Jointly produced by the Association for Manufacturing Technology (AMT) and the National Tooling and Manufacturing Association (NTMA), this event tackles the issues that affect the entire realm of manufacturing. For more information, visit [www.themfgmeeting.com](http://www.themfgmeeting.com).

**March 27–31—PCI Powder Coating 2017** Indianapolis, Indiana. The Powder Coating Institute (PCI) Powder Coating 2017 is the best place to be for learning, networking, and supporting the entire powder coating industry. The event will kick off with PCI's popular Powder Coating 101: Basic Essentials Hands-On Workshop, offered Monday and Tuesday, March 27 & 28. The workshop includes a comprehensive agenda that covers all the basics of powder coating operations and concludes with hands-on training demonstrations at an area powder coating manufacturer's facility. The Technical Conference will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, March 29 & 30, complete with general sessions each morning followed by concurrent technical sessions. The week will conclude with the PCI Custom Coater Forum on Thursday evening and Friday, March 30 & 31. For more information, visit [www.powdercoating.org](http://www.powdercoating.org).

**March 30–April 1—AGMA-ABMA Annual Meeting 2017** Rancho Mirage, California. The 2017 Annual Meeting marks the start of a new century for both AGMA and ABMA and the introduction of a more robust education program. Not only has the planning committee expanded the number of presentations, but they have also offered a tremendous amount of versatility, all thanks to the AGMA and ABMA members. Business presentations include Internet of Things, Economic Forecast, Aerospace Technologies, Disruptive Technologies, Hiring Practices, Post-Election Manufacturing Outlook, and a Guide to Selling Your Company. Additionally, "Endeavor to Succeed" will feature Captain Mark Kelly, Commander of the Space Shuttle Endeavour's Final Mission. For more information, visit [www.agma.org](http://www.agma.org).