

# HE RUTHMAN

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#### Trade Show Season...IMTS and WEFTEC Shows Back to Back

According to sources IMTS didn't just break attendance records this year; it crushed them at 130,000. Ruthman manufacturing was in the thick of it with redesigned booths at two locations. Representatives from Ruthman Manufacturing, including Gusher, BSM, Process Systems, Nagle and Fulflo worked the show.













## Focus on Water Management at WEFTEC 2018

FPI, Deming, Great Southern Pump and Gusher highlight the Ruthman Booth

Scott Thurrott, Tim McClanahan, Gary Smith, Bill Miller and Scott Smith man the booth in New Orleans.



Gary's digitally printed cutaway was a hit with many of the show's attendees



# 52 Year Ruthman Veteran Tim Vallandingam Retires



It was 1966, when Tim Vallandingham began his "longest part time job" at Ruthman Pump and Engineering's factory on Streng Street, Cincinnati.

He remembers impressing his high school mates in the lunch line with the ten dollar bills he earned on his second shift Ruthman job.

After school he entered the service, and went from Vietnam to the Air Force reserves in Dayton Ohio.

He then returned to Gusher, learning pump models and selling on the road with Tom R. Ruthman and Les Smith. Tim was an integral part of Ruthman and Gusher's rapid growth and eventually became Vice President of Gusher manufacturing.

*Tim will be missed and we know he will continue to be active, especially in his passion for classic cars including Corvettes, Camaros, and pickups.* 







#### **Congratulations**, Tom!

Congratulations to Tom Day on celebrating 41 years with Gusher Pumps! Tom started work in the assembly department at Dry Ridge working for Vic Donahue. He was hired by Ed Matherly in sales in 1987 and took over Ed's position when he retired. Tom has been in sales ever since. Along with his wife, Tammy, he has 6 children and 12 grandchildren. His daughter Mackenzie works part time for Gusher.





## **Ruthman Hosts OTP and Advanced Industrial Products Group**

OTP and Advanced Industrial Products Group joined the Ruthman team at Gusher for a seminar on our products and an extensive tour of the Williamstown and Dry Ridge locations. Advanced offers a broad spectrum of products, including automation, panel, industrial, safety, fluid power and mechanical products.





Dan Csomos briefs the group on Gusher Pump advantages

Darrell Jenkins gives an overview of the Gusher testing facility at Dry Ridge.

*Tim Bowen describes the features of a Vortex Pump impeller.* 





Dan shows these unusual custom Gusher pumps.... combination units with a multi-stage section and a centrifugal 11019 section.



Checking out this special vertical 7550 series pump.



#### Tim McClanahan: Gusher General Manager



Congratulations out to Tim McClanahan on his recent promotion to Gusher Pumps General Manager. Tim has been promoted from his previous position as Production Manager.

Tim's journey at Gusher began 29 years ago as a janitor at the Dry Ridge facility. After four weeks of employment, Tim was promoted to hand lathe operator. During his time at Gusher Pumps, Tim has had knowledgable supervisors that have trained him, as well as many fellow employees that assisted him in a variety of ways. Tim is very thankful for the working relationships that he has acquired during his carreer at Gusher Pumps and looks forward to continuing those relationships and building others as General Manager.

Tim and his wife, Laura, have been married for 29 years and are proud parents of two boys, Jordan and Cameron. He enjoys camping, horseback riding, riding a variety of all-terrain vehicles and being a fan of the Cincinnati Bengals and UK Wildcats football and basketball. Tim also enjoys raising cattle and maintaining his own farm, as well as assisting with the family-owned farm. Tim's goals as General Manager are many, however, his immediate goals are depleting company inventory and working on materials' costs.

#### **Deming Pumps on the Job**





Scott Thurrott sends a photo of these 1750 GPM/125 HP, reclaimed water distribution can pumps.



# A Contribution to Energy Efficiency

Ed Adams of Great Lakes sends photos of this newly designed spraybooth is for GM. It has a much smaller foot print that the ones they currently use. This new design uses less flow and head pressure which will be a big savings for GM and GK.Great Lakes Pump supplied this Gusher pump at no cost to GK for their research and development on this project.





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Mike Jones sends these photos of 2 Process Systems vertical turbine pumps in a paint sludge system tank which supplies water to the paint spray booth and a Gusher vertical that supplies the paint system. These are for Blue Bird bus company in Georgia.





Also from Mike, a photo of some **Process Systems** turbines on a Henry Filter in Emerson, China



## Finishing up a Giant

A visit to Vulcan finds the crew in final testing of this massive Brehm tube cut-off machine. The unit will be shipped to Suspa in Nanjing, China as left side addition to run side by side with their existing right side facing Brehm unit. Suspa is a manufacturer of gas springs, dampers, piston rods and tubes for lifting, lowering, tilting and damping.





## A Visit to Gusher from a Chinese distributor



Giving a tour to a possible distribution partner from China, Mr.Carl Hsiao of Shuangda Pump and Valve Group.



# Saying Goodbye to a Good Friend

Dan Torongo will be missed.





Another job well done....Dan on completion of a challenging installation.



## 60 Year Old Pumps Not Ready for Retirement

Ron Dhaveloose and Gary Howell send photos of these FPI pump model AAF36-30 pumps...still in use on the farm where they were put in 1958. They are in for minor repairs at FPI and will be back on the job..









Rick Yelton sends a photo of a new sandblaster for RPR&S.

Welcome! We are pleased to report new Ruthman additions.

#### Thad McCord

Thad is an experienced Controller with a demonstrated history of working in manufacturing and services industries and an accounting professional skilled in budgeting, management, strategic planning, forecasting, and financial analysis. Thad lives in Butler County, Ohio with his wife and 3 children ranging from 14-20 years in age.

#### **Charles Landry**

Charles has accepted the position of IT Director of Ruthman. He will be working at the Gusher Williamstown location and will be involved with the update to our current business system MAPICS, now called XA. XA will allow all of RPE's divisions and business systems to use the latest technology in the business world.

#### Larry Carlisle Jr.

Larry is returning to work for Gusher Pumps after an absence of 12 years to help us in the role of Inside Sales.

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