



Last week Electro-Matic Products and Siemens brought together executives, technology leaders and innovators in manufacturing to discuss, demonstrate and display expertise in automation, controls and more at the Manufacturing in America Symposium featuring the Technology Tip Off. Patti Engineering participated in the event which took place at Ford Field in Detroit. Senior Electrical Engineer, Terrance Brinkley, presented a technical seminar on programming the Siemens Transline 2000 standard. The company also sponsored the event, met with attendees in its booth, and hosted an executive luncheon at the Detroit Athletic Club.

Brinkley's seminar was well attended – he demonstrated, in real time, best practices for programming the Transline 2000, as well as engaged with the audience in an informational Q&A session. Terrance's ten years of experience working with Siemens technology was evident in his presentation as he was able to key in on tips and tricks for other engineers and integrators to optimize their use of Transline 2000.

Patti Engineering was proud to support the event again this year as a strategic partner for both Electro-Matic and Siemens Technology. Patti Engineering employees really enjoyed engaging with folks who stopped by the booth to play robotic basketball, chat with our engineers or just check out the materials we had related to our services, expertise and earning Control Engineering's 2013 System Integrator of the Year award. Patti Engineering enjoyed providing a little fun for their booth visitors; the booth featured a small basketball hoop powered by Siemens controls that retracted away from players on each side of the table. Designed and built by the company's co-ops, the game involved two players competing to make as many baskets as possible before the hoop retracted the other side of the table, turned around and it was time for their opponent to play. The hoop not only retracted backwards, it also changed elevation to make it more difficult to score. Patti Engineering co-ops, Brad Grabow and Corey Workman were on hand to make sure the game ran smoothly.



Patti Engineering also hosted an executive luncheon at the Detroit Athletic Club during the Manufacturing in America Symposium. More than a dozen executives gathered to discuss the state of the industry, current issues and concerns, and challenges in manufacturing. Sam Hoff, president of Patti Engineering, hosted the meeting and was happy to welcome Jim Baker, chief executive officer and president of Electro-Matics, Raj Batra, president of Siemens Industry Automation Division, as well as respected leaders from Chrysler, Ford, Micropoise, ATW, ASI, DASC, Moore Controls, Owens Illinois, Burke E. Porter, EMP, Turck and Rittal. "The lack of qualified job candidates was a common concern amongst the group," said Hoff. "Our businesses always seek talented young professionals – bright individuals that will one day be the face of the companies we have worked so hard to build – and we were all in agreement on the importance of developing young talent."

Patti Engineering is a CSIA Certified control system integrator and is the only Siemens automation Solution Partner in the State of Michigan. As a certified Siemens Solution Partner, Patti Engineering is among a select group of system integrators across the country with highly trained engineers. Its employees bring exceptional expertise on the wide range of Siemens industrial automation products to every project; Patti Engineering often teams up with Electro-Matic and Siemens to offer customers the complete package of products and services for seamless project execution.

