



Employee Spotlight – Bryon Sol, Automation Engineer

This month we meet up with Bryon, the latest addition to the Gibson Technical Support Team after only a few months on the job.

So Bryon what kind of things do you get involved with as Automation Engineer?

As part of the Tech Support group I am primarily a technical resource for our customers to ensure that they are supported on all the products that they buy from Gibson Engineering. That being said I also get involved in project based work in programming PLCs, GUI and HMIs as well as machine vision applications, and I handle incoming tech support calls as well.

What brought you to Gibson Engineering?

I have had a relationship with Gibson Engineering as a customer for 12 years and have always been impressed with the organization. This position provides me the opportunity to work on a wide variety of new systems and applications. As an end user your exposure is limited to those applications that apply to your specific processes. I'm excited by the breadth and width of applications here at Gibson.

What do you like best about working at Gibson so far?

Having been familiar with the company for many years I knew about their technical capabilities. What I have learned is that it is a very open and collaborative work environment. Everyone truly wants to find the right solutions for the customers and the management is very open to new ideas, fostering an atmosphere of discovery.

What do you bring to this position?

I have a decade of experience in machine vision and programming. I have been in a manufacturing environment for 8 years so I know the requirements and the realities on the shop floor for the end users. I have also worked as a designer for machine builders so I'm familiar with the challenges that they face. I feel that I understand how to bridge the gap between required functionality and usability in order to satisfy both end users and processes engineers.

What do you like to do outside of work?

I love music. I play the guitar and sing in my church choir. I also run the sound system for our Church Coffee Houses every other month. I enjoy spending time being a Dad. My daughter is 7 which is a great age. She's old enough to do some fun things together, but I haven't become 'uncool' yet!

What is one thing that your customers might find surprising about you?

I am not a US citizen. I am from Canada and haven't given up my Canadian citizenship. I came to the U.S. in 2000 to marry to my wife. Since then, I have established a great group of friends and colleagues in and around New England.

-Thanks to Bryon for sharing a little about himself and we look forward to spotlighting his co-workers in the month's to come.