



American Welding Society®

WEST MICHIGAN SECTION

Upcoming Events

Sept 7th “AWS Certification” with AWS President, John Mendoza

Sept 22nd AWS/WMMSU 2nd Annual Golf Outing

AWS Mission Statement

The mission of the American Welding Society is to advance the science, technology and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes, including brazing, soldering, and thermal spraying.

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I would like to thank all of you who had anything to do with our 2011 Golf Outing! We had our usual beautiful weather, great fun, and an awesome turnout! Your generosity allowed the West Michigan Section to award 5 scholarships again this year. I would like to mention our Gold Sponsors—Apex Controls, Dengensha America, and RoMan Manufacturing; our Silver Sponsors—Lincoln Electric, Purity Cylinder Gas, and Motoman Robotics/Airgas Inc. Thank you for your added support to our section.

Scholarship Recipients this year were:

Kevin Yell ~ Hobart Institute
Kristopher Anstiss ~ FSU
Travis Goetz ~ FSU
Andrew Pfaller ~ FSU
Sarah Ross ~ FSU

Brady Lafrinere ~ FSU ~ Recipient of the Dietrich & Betty Roth Scholarship

Another chance to contribute to the West Michigan Scholarship Fund is coming up on September 22nd. AWS has joined forces with ASME, SAE, and SME to put together this outing. One more chance to golf this season! A friendly competition is under way to see which society can get the most attendees.....don't let us be under represented!

I'm looking forward to my term as your chair and SO hope to meet most of you at AWS events! We need your attendance, ideas, and support to make our section successful!

Thanks ~ Kris Post, AWS West Michigan Chair

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Technical Meeting with the President of the
American Welding Society
John Mendoza

2011/2012 Calendar of Events

- Sept 7th—Meeting with AWS President, John Mendoza @ GRCC
- Sept 22nd—AWS/WMMSU Golf Outing—Scott Lake CC
- Oct 11th—Tour of Louis Padnos Iron & Metal, Holland Plant
- Nov 2nd—Battery Technology—Tour of JCI Maplewood Facility
Joint Meeting with WMMSU
- Nov 14th-17th—FABTECH McCormick Place, Chicago, IL
- Jan 10th—Technical Meeting—TBA
- Feb 7th—Student Night/Ferris State University Student Presentations
- Mar 13th—Technical Meeting - MFDC Technology
- Apr—National Welding Month—Further info to be announced
- May 8th—Technical Meeting—TBA
- June 13th—AWS West Michigan Golf Outing

“AWS Certification”

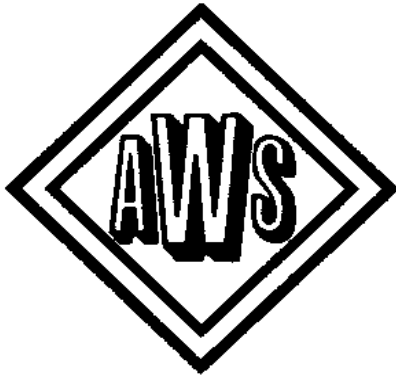
Highlighting the global impact that AWS certification programs have had on the industry during the last 35 years, including a brief history of the CWI program.

John Mendoza is a 36 year veteran of the welding industry. Upon graduating from the San Antonio Trade School with a certificate in welding technology in 1973, Mendoza began his career as a welder’s helper with CPS Energy, San Antonio’s gas and electric utility company. After completing a three year apprenticeship, he attained journeyman welder status in 1979. In 1992, he earned his AWS Certified Welding Inspector credentials and served as a weld inspector during construction of a 550 megawatt coal fired plant. In 1994, Mendoza was promoted to Technical Trainer, responsible for the training and performance of power plant workers. His proficiency in plant design was instrumental in the creation of the Skills Training Evaluation Program (STEP) used by CPS Energy for employee development. In 2005, Mendoza was elected to the Texas Skills USA Board of Directors. Mendoza retired in 2010 after 36 years of service from CPS Energy. He currently works as a consultant for Lone Star Welding in San Antonio, Texas.

**Wednesday, September 7th 10:00 am—11:30 am (followed by lunch provided by GRCC Hospitality Program)
GRCC Leslie M Tassel M-TEC Building
622 Godfrey Ave SW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503**

Please RSVP to Kris Post by Friday August 26th to give the GRCC staff a number for lunch. kpost@romanmfg.com or 616-530-8641

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2011 GOLF OUTING

SEPTEMBER 22, 2011 AT SCOTT LAKE CC



TIME: 9:30 AM SHOTGUN START

4-PERSON SCRAMBLE

EARLY BIRDS CAN PRACTICE FOR FREE ON THE DRIVING RANGE

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2011 GOLF OUTING

SEPTEMBER 22, 2011 AT SCOTT LAKE CC



Sponsorship Options:

GOLD Sponsor—\$500—recognition by starter, name on table tent cards, framed appreciation certificate, reserved table for lunch, complimentary four-some, complimentary tee box sponsorship

SILVER Sponsor—\$400—recognition by starter, name on table tent cards, complimentary foursome

Tee Box Sponsor—\$100—please note we must have name of company and/or art work by Sept. 9

Golf only—\$85 per person—must receive reservation by Sept. 15

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Phone number _____	Email _____
Team Member Names	Sponsorship Level _____
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2. _____	_____
3. _____	Must have by 9-8-11
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