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### **API Employee Wins ITT-Technical Institute's Lifetime Achievement Award**

We would like to announce that our CTO, Rick Raber, won ITT-Technical Institute's Lifetime Achievement Award. The award recognizes technology leaders who have made a large impact at their company and in their industry; with this criteria in mind, Rick was the perfect fit for the award.

As stated in his nomination letter, "Rick has a unique ability to hold his own in many wide ranging areas of technical discussions and leadership. He is not only a corporate technology leader, but also a featured speaker and industry leader/subject matter expert in RFID and other technologies. Rick heads a high tech hardware and

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software team that excels in solution and product development."

#### Below are just some of Rick's many professional lifetime achievements:

- U.S. Congressional Expert Witness
- Industry and Trade Conferences
- University CEU Classes
- Corporate Training Sessions
- Professional Organizations Including IEEE, SME, CARES, NAARSO and NPA
- Religious and Community Organizations

Rick has devoted much of his time to personal and professional development, and because of his dedication, he has earned the privilege to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award.

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## Pardon Our Dust...

If you have visited our facility lately, we are sure that you have noticed the construction and all of the changes that are taking place. We are increasing our building's capacity, in order to expand our ability to serve our customers.

Plans for 2014 include adding additional equipment and production/engineering staff.

Our construction should be complete by late January. If you would like to schedule a tour of our updated facility, or if you have any questions about the changes at API Alliance, please feel free to contact Kurt Webber.

### **Mark Steffen - Purchasing** and Material Control...

Introducing Mark Steffen, API Alliance's new purchasing and material control manager. Mark is involved in material procurement and scheduling for API.

Mark grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, but moved to Indiana for college. He attended Tri-State University (now Trine) and graduted with a Bachelor of



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Science degree in Business Administration. After college, he completed basic and advanced training for the Army National Guard.

Mark has spent most of his career in purchasing. He has worked for County Line Cheese in Auburn, Indiana, Eagle-Picher Plastics Division in Grabill, Indiana and most recently for Alcoa in Auburn, Indiana.

Mark has been married for over 40 years and has a daughter. He enjoys sailing on his small catamaran, taking motorcycle rides, digital photography and working around the house.

Please join us in welcoming Mark to our team.

### **Our Promise To You...**

To utilize our proficiency in electronic manufacturing, electro-mechanical assembly and engineering services to become a long-lasting "Partner in Production." These alliances are to be based upon excellent communication, mutual trust, proactive participation and a complete understanding of our customer's goals. We shall offer unwavering technical and project management assistance to the level expected from these customer relationships.



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