

## **College Students Encouraged to Attend MFG Summit**

**Ontario, Ca**, February 3, 2018-The Manufacturers' Council of the Inland Empire (MCIE) encourages college students to attend the 2018 Manufactures' Summit on February 15<sup>th</sup> at the Ontario Convention Center from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The Summit's main purpose is to inform attendees and provide networking opportunities. Students can especially benefit from what the Summit has to offer.

There are two main speakers for the event: Carolyn Lee, Executive Director, The Manufacturing Institute, and Titan Gilroy, Founder of TITANS of CNC. While Lee will discuss initiatives occurring in the manufacturing industry and impart valuable information for students considering a career in manufacturing. Titan Gilroy, keynote speaker, has an empowering story of his transition from ex-con to Founder and President of a successful CNC machine shop in Northern California.

For the first time, students will be offered a discounted ticket price, only \$25, which grants them access to everything the Summit has to offer, including the main event and speaker presentations, breakout sessions, exhibit floor, and breakfast and lunch. The exhibit floor presents an excellent opportunity for students to network with potential future employers.

During the annual Summit, a special award ceremony is held to celebrate the most innovative businesses and leaders in the Inland Empire. The  $E=mc^2$  Innovation Award is given to local manufacturers that demonstrate tangible business improvement based on their innovations. A new category was introduced last year entitled "Innovation by Students," which gave college students the chance to showcase their innovative ideas by working with a professor to solve the problem of a real-life manufacturing company.

2017's winner was Harvey Mudd College. Nine students worked alongside Niagara Bottling, LLC, to develop mechanical, electrical, and operational solutions in order to reduce the changeover time for Niagara's Kronos packing machines by at least 50%.

For more information about the Summit, visit [MFGCouncilie.com](http://MFGCouncilie.com). Students interested in attending the event should go to [MFGSummit2018.eventbrite.com](http://MFGSummit2018.eventbrite.com).