

April 25–27—2013 AGMA/ABMA Annual Meeting. Park Hyatt Aviara, Carlsbad, CA. More than 150 years ago thousands of people migrated to California, where they joined forces and tested their luck in the gold fields. Now fast forward to 2013. Whether you are a veteran or a “first timer” annual meeting attendee, expand your horizons and your colleagues in the Golden State. Increase knowledge from the industry’s presentations and experience the majesty of Southern California in and around Carlsbad, Oceanside, La Jolla and Miramar. In 2013 attendees will bring home ideas, meet new business associates, and create a lifetime of memories. Featured presenters include Jay Timmons (National Association of Manufacturers), Jim Meil (Eaton Corporation) and Dan Campion (Solar Turbines). Former MLB pitcher Jim Abbott will also give a presentation on overcoming adversity. There’s also a scheduled visit to the United States Marine Corps Air Station in Miramar and a night of entertainment celebrating the iconic music of the 1960s. For registration information, visit www.agma.org.

May 4–7—BSA Annual Convention. Westin Hilton Head Resort and Spa, Hilton Head, South Carolina. The BSA Annual Convention brings together the top leadership of authorized bearing distributors and manufacturers. As such, it offers networking opportunities along with a business program tailored for the industry leadership who attend. The 2013 business program will address winning strategies that meet customer needs. Speakers include Dr. Bruce Yandle, professor of economics emeritus, Clemson University; Lt. Col. Rob “Waldo” Waldman, founder and president of The Patriot Group; Eric Chester, author, speaker and founder of the Center for Work Ethic Development; and Terry Bowden, former college football National Coach of the Year. Also on the schedule, industry updates and BSA’s Conference Table Session which encourages distributors and manufacturers to build problem-solving relationships. For more information, visit www.bsaconventions.org.

May 5–8—WindPower 2013. McCormick Place, Chicago. The AWEA brings together wind professionals to network, learn from industry leaders and experts and discover the latest industry products and services. The 2013 exhibition and conference includes 18 tracks, 38 sessions, knowledge hubs, power sessions and poster receptions from all the major players in the wind industry. Exhibitors include Bosch Rexroth, Bonfiglioli, Romax Technology, SKF and ZF Wind Power. Special events include the Suzlon and AWEA Golf Open, specialized technical training courses on topics like tower fabrication, new clean energy markets and electrical safety for managers, a special component manufacturing tour at S&C Electric and a conference dinner at The Field Museum. For more information, visit www.windpowerexpo.org.

May 14–16—Eastec 2013. Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, Massachusetts. East Coast manufacturers come to Eastec looking for top suppliers and new partners and to evaluate new equipment and applications from industries like defense, aerospace, consumer products, medical, automotive, computers and more. Eastec traces its history to 1979 and attracts 45,000 manufacturers to learn about the latest management ideas. The educational program includes a leadership seminar, keynote speakers and a lean and a green resource center. Eastec technologies include bearings, gears and splines, material handling, packaging, sensors, controls, machine tools, machine centers, automation, plant efficiency and workholding. Exhibitors include Carl Zeiss, Emuge, Fanuc, Ingersoll, Lovejoy, Marposs, Pepperl and Fuchs, SKF and many more. The event is sponsored by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME). For more information, visit www.sme.org.

May 21–23—Lubrication and Wear: Advanced Concepts. Notre Dame Conference Center, South Bend, Indiana. This course will bridge the gap between component design and failure as a result of relative motion between surfaces in contact and apply the latest lubrication technology to bearings. Courses will enhance attendees’ understanding of regimes of lubrication, 2-D and 3-D surface topographical characterization, 2-D and 3-D contact mechanics, surface and subsurface analysis, asperity contact models, mixed lubrication, grease lubrication, applications in rolling element bearing design and more. Practical examples of bearing lubrication will be presented as well as tools to improve product life and performance. For more information, visit www.americanbearings.org.

June 10–14—NAMRC 41. Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center, Madison, Wisconsin. The North American Manufacturing Research Conference is sponsored by the North American Manufacturing Institution of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (NAMRI/SME). It is co-located with the 8th Annual ASME International Manufacturing Science and Engineering Conference. The conference schedule will include keynote presentations, technical presentations, expert panels, student poster presentations, an early career forum, university lab tours and more. The purpose is to disseminate the most recent manufacturing research and development through both technical presentations and panel sessions. For more information, visit www.conferencing.uwex.edu/conferences/namrcmsec2013/index.cfm.