

 ABOUT US

On Sunday, June 16, we celebrate Fathers Day. There are many different fatherly types, and just as many reasons to honor these individuals. Take the opportunity to tell dad and all of the father-figures in your life how much you appreciate them this Fathers Day!

 LESSONS IN LEADERSHIP

Two of our KEP team members recently graduated from Malone University's Master of Business Administration (MBA) program. Beverly Kiglics, Director of Quality Assurance, and Renee Onesti, Director of Engineering and

Maintenance, both crossed the stage on Saturday, May 4th.

Beverly has been with the company for 11 years and Renee for 12 years. To achieve their personal goals of getting their MBA, both worked full time while pursuing their MBAs after work hours and on weekends. We congratulate these hardworking women for their passion and determination and appreciate all they do and have done for our company!

## CAPABILITIES SPOTLIGHT



 **KENT ELASTOMER**  
PRODUCTS, INC.

### CRIMP YOUR STYLE.

Most food and beverage tubing requires a cap. Ours is crimped. Cap eliminated. Time, money and steps saved.

### SERVICE YOU CAN SEE.

Curt D.  
 Extrusion Operator  
since 1977

Inferior tubing solutions crimping your style? Don't worry, Curt has the perfect solution! Keep reading to discover how KEPs Crimped Tubing is a better solution, one that won't raise costs or prolong manufacturing schedules!

Crimping our tubing is a cost-effective way to seal the product, keeping it from leaking and protecting its contents until the precise moment of use. This solution is ideal for liquid bag-in-box and pouch packaging for the Food, Dairy and Beverage industries, as well as other industries transporting products and fluids.

We fabricated a crimping device as part of our in-line tube-making process that crimps the ends of tubing products in order to supply high-quality completed parts at a lower cost. KEP crimped tubing is a safe and cost-effective option, with all products manufactured and assembled in our SQF Code Edition 7.1 Level 1 certified and Interstate Milk Shippers certified facility. [Get in touch](#) with KEP if you need crimped tubing solutions for your product!

## THIS MONTHS KEP CHALLENGE



## Our Value Added Services Include Automation

At our Kent and Mogadore facilities, where we manufacture dip-molded and tubing products, one of the value-added services KEP provides customers is quality control through automation. Implemented with automated inspection systems, our manufacturing processes are accurate, reliable and fast. Our high-quality, consistent products protect our customers bottom line and ensure consumer satisfaction.

The automated equipment also enables us to assemble high-quality products every time by helping to remove human error at our Winesburg facility where we handle processing and assembly. In 2017, KEP added about 6,000 square feet of warehouse space and additional automated assembly equipment to the Winesburg facility.

We have an ongoing commitment to Lean Enterprise and Six Sigma practices finding ways to automate our processes contributes to our goal of maximizing value and minimizing waste. Whether you want to reduce costs or are exploring the best assembly services for your product, [ask KEP](#) how our automated processes can be a part of your solution!



FEATURED TEAM MEMBER



As a Q.A. Specialist at our Mogadore facility, Lisa Smith conducts and documents audits, ensures the quality and service of our products, and more. Lisa started in our Kent facility as a Processor for 9 years before working in Mogadore, where she has served in a variety of capacities for the past 17 years! Read more about this months featured employee in our [Leader Views Blog](#).



As we say hello to June, many of our team members at KEP are celebrating anniversaries! From giving KEP a great first year to showing the company over 40 years of hard work, we give a shout out to each of these KEP dedicated team members! Please join us in congratulating the following team members:

**Karen McRobie - Winesburg - 44 years on 6/25**

**Charles Brady - Kent - 37 years on 6/1**

**Bradley Walker - Kent - 36 years on 6/6**

Nancy Miller - Winesburg - 34 years on 6/26  
Darlene Miller - Winesburg - 32 years on 6/29  
Clarissa Fashbaugh - Winesburg - 31 years on 6/27  
Melanie Pope - Winesburg - 30 years on 6/28  
Kelli Miller - Winesburg - 27 years on 6/16  
Cindy Franks - Winesburg - 21 years on 6/1  
Dixie Marchand - Winesburg - 21 years on 6/8  
Kimberly Slemmer - Winesburg - 13 years on 6/19  
Kyle Hinton - Mogadore - 11 years on 6/23  
Deborah Slinger - Mogadore - 10 years on 6/8  
Blake Hayes - Kent - 4 years on 6/1  
Leo Maxfield - Mogadore - 4 years on 6/1  
Kayla Fogle - Winesburg - 3 years on 6/7  
Donna German Schultz - Winesburg - 3 years on 6/27  
Kristen Starcher - Winesburg - 3 years on 6/27  
Jennifer Knapp - Kent - 3 years on 6/27  
Amanda Trolio - Winesburg - 2 years on 6/6  
Santana Berish - Mogadore - 2 years on 6/12  
Natasha Myers - Mogadore - 2 years on 6/27  
Melody Renner - Winesburg - 2 years on 6/27  
Toni Jones - Winesburg - 1 year on 6/5  
Haley Buchanan - Winesburg - 1 year on 6/12  
Hiedi Grove - Winesburg - 1 year on 6/26  
Zackery Wilhite - Kent - 1 year on 6/28



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