



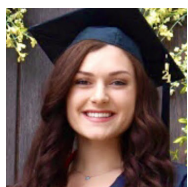
# Belt Line

A publication of NIBA-The Belting Association

## 2021 Scholarship Winners Announced

NIBA congratulates this year's winners of the Memorial and Presidential Scholarships. Judges sorted through nearly 130 excellent applications. The following students stood out due to their commitment to their communities and education. Memorial Scholarship winners receive \$2,000 and Presidential Scholarship winners receive \$4,000 each.

### Presidential Scholarship



#### **Rachael Harmon**

*University of Dayton*

Rachael Harmon is beyond excited and extremely thankful to have been chosen as a recipient of the NIBA Presidential scholarship. This will help her achieve her dream of becoming a registered dietitian through completing her year-

long clinical internship and earning her Master's Degree through the Premier Health Miami Valley Hospital and the University of Dayton. She feels lucky to have found her passion of helping others and healing them through the power of nutrition. Continuing her education has always been a priority and says this would not be possible without organizations like NIBA.



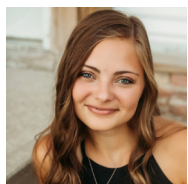
#### **Stephanie Knechtly**

*University of Cincinnati*

Stephanie Knechtly is currently pursuing a Masters of Architecture at the University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art and Planning. She received her Bachelor of Science in Interior Design as well as two minors in Communications

and Architectural Studies in 2020 from the same alma mater. Stephanie's passion for design is rooted in creating meaningful, memorable, and unique spaces that affect the way people interact with their environment. She looks forward to exploring the dichotomy between architecture and interior design further in her graduate education.

### Memorial Scholarship

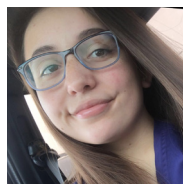


#### **Elle Maxine Houin**

*Saint Mary's College*

Elle Houin is a recent graduate of Plymouth High School and will attend Saint Mary's College in the fall. She was an active member in the Speech and Debate Team, Concert Bands, and National Honor Society as well as various clubs

such as Interact Club, Prayer Club, Spanish Club, and Key Club. She is also an active member in her community and church, desires to be just as involved as she moves onto college. Elle plans to study Speech Language Pathology while also continuing her studies in the Spanish language.



#### **Kinsley Charm Robinson**

*York Technical College*

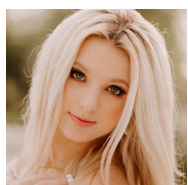
Charm Robinson is a nursing major at York Technical College. She is thankful to be awarded the NIBA Memorial Scholarship and thanks NIBA for helping her to pursue her career.



#### **Kayleigh Lewis**

*Washington University, St. Louis*

Kayleigh Lewis will be a junior this upcoming school year studying Neuroscience with a minor in Healthcare Management. She is currently working as a Research Assistant for Pediatric Multiple Sclerosis through the Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine, a Research and Development Intern at AFC Materials, and a Clinical Research Coordinator at OrthoIllinois.



#### **Lillie Rose Sligh**

*McLennan Community College*

Lillie Sligh will study Radiologic Technology at McLennan Community College. Her passions through high school have been her faith, sports, NCL, and raising swine through McLennan County 4H. It is through the 4H program that

Lillie developed a deep passion for impacting her community. She plans to carry this passion into the next season of her life always looking for a way to impact others.

**The NIBA Scholarship Fund** relies on charitable gifts from our generous members. (For employees and children of employees of NIBA member companies.)



# Meet the New NIBA Board Members



## **Jim Smith, Membership Chair**

Jim has been working for Universal Belting Resource since 2010. He started as an engineer and

worked his way into a shop management position and then Director of Operations. He is currently the Vice President of UBR and is responsible for operations, customer service, and engineering and maintenance of their fabrication shop. Jim has been married to his wife, Mandee, for seven years. They live in Smithfield, Pennsylvania.



## **Kerry Mosher, Director**

Kerry has worked for Beltservice for just over 21 years. He started in 2000 as the branch manager of Belt Service's Charlotte office, then

relocated to the home office in St. Louis, Missouri in 2012 as Director of Corporate Operations. Kerry began his career in the Belting world in 1985 with All-State Belting Co. He has been married to his wife Sharon for almost 42 years. They have two sons and two grandchildren.



## **Randy Scofield, Director**

Randy has been the Supply Chain and Operations Director at Midwest Rubber Service & Supply Co. for the past 10 years. He has been married to his wife, Cindy, for more than 35 years, and has two adult children. He has a passion for lifelong learning and motorcycles, and really enjoys riding one of his Harleys. Most days he can be found wearing a patterned Dixon shirt, which he's become known for.



## **Mark Jadwin, Incoming Executive**

Mark lives in St. Louis with his wife, Debbie and three sons. They have one granddaughter who is not

spoiled by grandma and grandpa at all! His hobbies are golf, Harleys, time at the lake, boating and hunting. Mark has an aggregate 44 years in the belting business. 34 with his current company MIR and 10 years starting out with Beltservice Corp. He is currently a Business Development Manager at MIR, but has held multiple positions over the years, including VP of Sales for 11 years. He is also the Director of Training for MIR and conducts segments of training for Sales, Customer Service, Operations and the newly developed SDT team. Mark has been involved with NIBA for nearly 10 years.

## NIBA Technical Trainings Return to In-Person This Fall

Starting in October, experienced instructors will once again lead live, interactive courses designed to provide practical knowledge and hands-on work for deeper learning. These courses are excellent for employees with varied experience levels.

"I've sent employees to this class (Track, Train, Troubleshoot) for years," said one attendee. "I hadn't attended, myself, because I thought it would be too basic for me. I was completely wrong. I learned a great deal!"

Here's what's in store:

- Develop a thorough understanding of belting basics
- Learn foundational knowledge to grow careers
- Discover solutions to real-world problems your team sees every day

### **Track, Train, Troubleshoot**

October 5-6 , Nashville, TN

### **Vulcanized & Mechanical Splice School**

November 2-4 , Decatur, GA

### **Key Principles of Lightweight Belting**

November 8-9 , Grand Rapids, MI

### **Lightweight Splice School**

November 10-11 , Grand Rapids, MI

## All About Education



I want to start by congratulating all of our scholarship winners and thanking every company that donated to the NIBA Scholarship Fund so far this year. The last year challenged many of us, students included and your donations provided much-needed stability to students pursuing their educational dreams.

Speaking of education, I want to encourage everyone to explore the NIBA Learning Library. We have a lot of online technical content available to members like certificate courses, technical articles and training presentations available for you and your team to learn basic belting techniques, marketing tactics, personnel tools, and more. Certificate Courses developed by our Education Technical Committee offer insights into a variety of belting topics and our on-demand technical trainings are taught by experienced belting professionals who cover real-world applications of belting basics.

Finally, I want to remind you to register for NIBA 2021. After a full year apart, I can't wait to see you all in-person in Palm Springs, California. Our board of directors and committee members just finished our June meetings and I'm pleased to report that CA is open for business. Palm Springs is a beautiful destination that will be a fantastic host for this year's convention. Local COVID-19 regulations have been lifted and the entire experience felt natural - like a return to normal.

So we're ready to get back together this year. Please register your attendees and expo booths online at [www.niba.org/convention](http://www.niba.org/convention). It's an exciting time to be in belting.

— Jonathan Morgan, NIBA President, 2021





# NIBA 2021 ANNUAL CONVENTION

**SEPTEMBER 20-23**  
**PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA**

## NIBA 2021: Familiar, But New

NIBA's Annual Convention returns in-person, Sept. 20-23 with all the things you love.

The networking, business, and exploration that have made the convention a can't miss event are back – with a brand-new style.

New opportunities to engage, connect, and immerse will give you the chance to recharge and reignite connections.

Here's a taste of what's in store.

### New Location

We sought to deliver a bright convention bursting with optimism. So we found a destination with the same energy.

We can't wait for you to discover sunny Palm Springs, California. Palm Springs is one of California's most sought-after

destinations due to its scenic mountain ranges, endless blue skies, and resorts. The JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa will host NIBA 2021. This refreshed, luxury hotel features superb service, redesigned venues, and family-friendly amenities. From the moment you arrive on the lush resort grounds, you will feel yourself relaxing.

### New Schedule

When we made the difficult decision to move NIBA 2021 to the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort and Spa, the schedule changed too.

But don't worry. You'll still have time to connect, relax, and get inspired.

See an overview of the biggest changes, below. ●



### Jesse Cole is NIBA 2021 keynote speaker

Jesse Cole is an energetic entertainer, author, business owner, and speaker who crafts unique and engaging customer experiences. He'll help you discover how to turn your customers into raving fans and build the ultimate customer experience by:

- Evaluating your current customer map and customer journey.
- Creating loyal, raving fans instead of transactional customers.
- Mapping the perfect customer journey using Raving Fans & Customer for Life techniques.
- Developing the Fans First mentality that creates attention and word of mouth marketing from your biggest supporters.
- Building a step-by-step plan to wow your customers – even after the sale.

Cole is the founder of Fans First Entertainment, listed on the Inc. 5000 as one of America's fastest-growing companies. As the owner of the Savannah Bananas – a wood-bat collegiate summer baseball team, Cole has won Organization of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, Business of the Year, and more.



## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

	Monday 9/20	Tuesday 9/21	Wednesday 9/22	Thursday 9/23
12 pm	Flexco Welcome Reception	8:30 am Annual Business Meeting	6:30 am 5K Fun Run/Walk	6:30 am-2 pm Golf Outing
6-8 pm	Committee Meetings	10 am Keynote: Jesse Cole	8:30 am-12:30 pm NIBA Expo	1:30 pm Board Meeting
Invite Only	President's Reception	7 pm Opening Dinner	Starting at 5:30 pm Manufacturer Hospitality Suites	5 pm Closing Event

# Conveyor Belt Slip: Root Cause Analysis

by Buddy Wilson, Senior Director - Services Operations at Fenner Dunlop

Conveyor belt slip is a common occurrence that hampers production and jeopardizes the lifecycle of the conveyor belt and related components. Several conditions that adversely affect the conveyor system can cause conveyor belt slip. These can be environmental, mechanical, or design-related. An example of this is applying a new belt to existing rubber lagging. This creates a significant drop in the coefficient of friction and leads to belt slip. We must use a process to identify the culprit.

It is unwise to make snap judgments or use anecdotal theories to find the root cause. Three of the most common areas to explore when conveyor belt slippage occurs include the take-up system, the drive system, and the idler system.

The take-up system is a critical component of any conveyor system. As we know, its only function is to “take-up” the slack within a conveyor belt when torque is applied, and stretch occurs. When relating to slippage problems, take-up can play a large part in this condition.

Many operators think adding more weight will fix it, but weight or pressure may not be the problem at all. One question to ask is that of functionality. Is the take-up functioning/operating correctly? If not, this could be a clue. The take-up system must operate in a dynamic state. There should not be hang-ups along the travel of the system components (Fig. 1).

Further, if there are no obstructions, the assembly should never be static. The carriage should operate in concert with the stretch and compression of the belt. If this is not occurring, it may be part of the root cause. Vertical take-up arrangements should be plumb and level and slide along the guide poles. Excessive friction between the assembly and the poles, or damage to the poles that may hamper the assembly’s vertical movement, can cause a condition for belt slip. More complex take-up designs involving offset towers, ropes, and sheaves lend themselves to poor maintenance issues within the sheave system. This still does not change the requirement for weight actuation. Sheaves and ropes are often overlooked when maintenance is planned. They require lubrication and inspection to prevent failure or seizure.



Figure 1



Figure 2

When belt slip occurs, operators may automatically look to the drive pulley. Many people have made a good living by lagging or relagging pulleys that may or may not need it.

Pulley lagging is a terrific option when applied correctly. In today’s economic climate, lagging manufacturers seep out of every nook and cranny. Some products are practical and rugged. Some are only a shell of what they should be. Performance is the ultimate test.

Misapplied lagging often will not solve the slippage issue and damage the belt. Rubber laggings are available in various gauges, patterns, and profiles. It is important to note that the gauge, pattern, or profile should be sufficient to properly offset distortion from the torque applied from the drive system. The pattern or profile requires this distortion to aid in frictional “grip” between the belt cover and lagging while also flushing moisture and material away from the lagging surface. The gauge should resist the shearing forces between the lagging and pulley shell to not compromise the bond between the two. When using ceramic tile lagging, the results can be devastating. When misapplied, the ceramic lagged pulley can burn through the belt or severely scar the pulley cover.

As previously stated, slippage may not be

sourced solely at the drive. Sometimes the root cause is a tension differential between the T1 and T2 values. When this differential becomes too great, the shear forces create a slip condition, and no amount or type of lagging will cure the problem.

As noted in the first two conditions, the root cause of belt slip is friction or the loss thereof. Anything that makes contact with the belt (Fig. 2) along a conveyor system sucks in tension via frictional forces. The one component that makes the most contact with the belt is the conveyor idler. Over a span of 500 feet, the belt has roughly 250 individual points of contact, not considering that this contact is under tension.

Secondarily, there are about fifty other potential points of contact installed in the return flight with the return idlers. It is paramount that all of these components operate with minimal drag. Most conveyor systems easily overcome certain degrees of seal drag from the bearing assemblies within each idler roll. However, it becomes more complicated when the idler rolls are seized due to failed bearings, engulfed with tramp material, or a combination of both (Fig. 3). This adds a tremendous degree of frictional force that the drive system must overcome. When these frictional forces become too great, slippage will occur. This is a condition where only reducing the frictional forces will correct the problem. In these conditions, the adjustment of take-up weights and misapplication of pulley laggings can create a perfect storm of belt damage. This includes excessive belt stretch, splice fatigue and failure, and belt damage from scarring or burn-through (Fig. 2).

Belt slippage is an event that is not always limited to a single condition within the belt conveyor system. The root cause can be one of, or a combination of, several factors. Vigilant attention and maintenance will often prevent some of these issues from occurring. The customer must have faith in our abilities to consult us before making drastic changes to the conveyor system. Take the steps needed to identify the root causes and tailor a solution around them. ●



## MEMBER-TO-MEMBER NEWS

### News submitted by and for NIBA members

#### NEW PRODUCTS

**Chiorino America** is pleased to announce the first two in a family of TPO Polyolefin belts. 2MT4 U0-O2 W A (white) and 2MT4 U0-O2 Blue A are available from stock now. These belts are intended to complement their industry-leading HP belt range for processing sticky food products.

**ASGCO** is building upon the success of the BC-2 Secondary Belt Cleaner with the announcement of the BC-2 MDX. With 50% more tension per arm and increased cleaner reach, this cleaner meets the needs of faster, larger, and thicker conveyor belt systems while maintaining the high cleaning efficiency of the original BC-2.

The **Habasit** Cleandrive lug drive — the third drive system available in the Habasit Cleandrive product line — is now available with mechanical lace as a joining option. The mechanical lace facilitates a very quick opening and closing of the belt, offering simple assembly and disassembly, easy cleaning and maintenance, and reduced downtime.

**Fenner Dunlop Americas** has enhanced their conveyor monitoring services with BIRDSi™, a digital tool that gives conveyor operators real-time, remote access to their belt performance. BIRDSi™ is powered by Fenner Dunlop's proprietary EagleEye® sensing system that has been successfully monitoring steel cord conveyors for the last several years. By connecting EagleEye® to BIRDSi™, operators can monitor their belts via their computer, smartphone, or tablet to reduce their downtime and resolve issues more quickly.

**Shingle Belting** has expanded its range of NYCOR nylon core belting products. Additional belt types geared towards paper converting (tube winders and unwind and rewinds), flour mill (roll stands), folder-gluer, and other applications have been added to the line. XG Gray's abrasion-resistant covers provide longer belt life and better performance.

**Shingle Belting** has added 3RU/02A M to its Monofilament line of belting. 3RU/02A M is a three-ply belt with an abrasion-resistant PU cover. It is ideal for recycling (eddy current), wood processing (stacker belts), and other applications where a rugged, abrasion-resistant belt is required.

**Esbelt** is proud to introduce their automatic belt slitter LCM225EEN designed to improve the efficiency of your belt workshop. It's designed for longitudinal cutting of conveyor belts up to width 2250mm. With reduced dimensions, it is easy to place the slitter even in workshops with tight working space. The control switches located at the central control panel allow the slitting speed and winding direction to be easily adjusted. The robust chain drive enables the slitter to handle a wide variety of roll sizes and weight up to 2500kg.

**Flexco** recently welcomed Betty Jones to the position of Inside Sales/Customer Experience Manager. Jones will lead her team in developing inside sales strategies and tactics to achieve sales objectives. She will work closely with field sales leadership, as well as marketing and planning, to create and implement action plans to grow customer accounts, maximize sales revenue, increase market share by exceeding customer expectations, and transform the existing customer service team at Flexco into an industry-leading customer experience team.

**Flexco** recently released a new installation kit designed for use with Dematic equipment. The Dual Slot STP Bracket Kit allows operators to replace single or dual pop-out rollers in a variety of conveyor configurations,

as well as covering gaps where beds are not connected, and in double-end pulley assemblies. Instructions for installation can be found at [www.flexco.com](http://www.flexco.com).

#### PARTNERSHIPS

**Flexco** introduced the Proactive Splicing Program to help belt shops run at optimal levels. They'll examine your existing belt prep and splicing tools and assess their condition. Then give you a breakdown of which tools are in good working order, which need some repairs, and which need to be replaced, as well as what additional tools you may need to maximize your belt shop productivity. Finally, they'll implement a proactive plan and keep your budget under control by offering discounts on repairs and special pricing on press trade-ins. For more information, please contact your local Flexco Territory Manager.

#### ACQUISITIONS

**Belterra Corporation** has acquired 100% of the shares of Rematech Industries and its subsidiaries. Rematech, founded in 1964, has been a leader in conveyor belting, rubber and urethane molded products, and corrosion and abrasion-resistant lining products and services through its three locations in Sudbury, Thunder Bay, and Mississauga, Ontario.

**Green Rubber – Kennedy Ag** has acquired Urethane Specialists, Inc. (USI), a manufacturer of precision urethane parts for food processing, pharmaceuticals, printing, packaging, manufacturing and assembly, shipping and distribution. USI specializes in high-precision, high-reliability, small parts manufacturing.

**Purvis Industries** has acquired substantially all the assets, brand rights, websites, personnel, and intellectual property of Precision Industrial Services of Itasca, Texas. Precision Industrial Services specializes in industrial construction and mechanical maintenance. They handle anything from daily maintenance work up to large project work and installation. Based in north Texas, Precision Industrial Services serves bulk material and conveyor customers throughout the southwest.

#### PERSONNEL

**Motion Industries, Inc.** is pleased to announce that Aurelio Banda will join the Company as Motion's new Group Vice President of Automation. Mr. Banda most recently served as President and Chief Executive Officer of PHD Inc., a global manufacturer of electric, pneumatic and hydraulic industrial automation actuators of various types in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

**Motion Industries, Inc.** announced that Jim May was promoted to Director of Corporate Development. May joined Motion in August 2020 as Director of Strategic Planning and Development to advance the Company's corporate strategic planning, provide economic, industry and competitor analyses, and support deal-side acquisition execution and integration processes.

**Beltservice Corporation** welcomes Wes Tyre as its new National Sales Manager at Beltservice Canada. Tyre has worked in belting for more than 20 years in both the technical and sales sides of the industry, with a specialty in industrial markets. He has a proven record of achieving results as a manager, leading sales teams towards success and helping the businesses they support grow.

**American Biltrite** is pleased to introduce their new Regional Sales Manager for the Eastern United States, Craig Piotrowski. His experience includes more than 18 years of experience in sales and management positions. He most recently held the position of National Sales Manager at Molded Dimensions, where custom rubber molding was one of their specialties.

## RECOGNITION

**Motion Industries, Inc.** named **NSK** “2020 Supplier of the Year.” The award recognizes companies that have shown exceptional commitment to Motion through quality products and services, as well as earning the highest score in the multi-faceted Supplier Stratification rating system.

## NEW FACILITIES

**Ammeraal Beltech**, a member of the Ammega Group, has announced plans for a new multi-phased greenfield production plant in Buford, Ga. They’ve also announced a multi-phased investment to expand their US Modular manufacturing operations in Reading, PA.

**Belt Power LLC** announced the opening of their new facility in Cincinnati, Ohio. This new location will better service the needs of customers in the region. Belt Power plans to continue making strategic investments in facilities, technical resources, fabrication, and installation capabilities to service their customers.

**Green Rubber – Kennedy Ag** is opening another location to add to their five existing locations. The sixth store in the chain has been established in Santa Maria, California, where the thriving agricultural industry is the lifeblood of the community. ●

## Welcome New NIBA Members!

LM Robbins/BDS  
Everhard Products Inc  
REG Galbiati srl  
Ranger Conveying & Supply Co., Inc.

# 2021 SILENT AUCTION

Part of the 2021 NIBA Annual Convention in Palm Springs, CA

**To benefit the NIBA Scholarship Fund**

**Donate items to the Silent Auction**

Contribute to the future of the NIBA Scholarship Fund.  
Contact [silentauction@niba.org](mailto:silentauction@niba.org) and donate today!

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## NIBA Member Spotlight

# YongLi America



**Kathy Burd**  
*Assistant Operations  
Manager*

### Tell us about your company

Founded in 1989, YongLi Group is a manufacturer of light weight conveyor belts. We sell full slabs of thermoplastic belts along with foils, guides and cleats. We have branches in China, Europe, Korea, India and Japan.

### Describe what you do on a day-to-day basis

I manage the daily operations within YongLi America including inside sales.

### What was your first industry job and how did it lead you to where you are today?

This is my first industry job. I feel with my sales and customer service background, I could help this young company grow. I love learning new things and I am excited for this opportunity. This industry has not disappointed me.

### What is the one piece of advice you wish someone had given you before you started in the belting industry?

I have realized that this industry is for life. Once you are in, you never get out.

### How has NIBA impacted you, both personally and professionally?

NIBA has been essential with my learning curve. There are so many nice and patient people in this industry. I have learned a lot from the classes – both online and in person.

### In your opinion, what sets NIBA apart from other associations?

I think that NIBA is unique because of the members. These people will take time out of their day to help you to understand our industry.

### Why would you encourage someone to attend the NIBA Annual Convention

I know for me, it was meeting other people in this industry. We are a small company and it was great to get out and meet the faces that I have talked to on the phone.

### What value did you get from attending a NIBA Virtual Technical Training?

I believe with all of the knowledge of people in this industry, they make the best teachers.

### What is the belting industry's biggest challenge?

I believe the biggest challenge is to get a younger generation involved and excited about this industry. We have so many people who are so resourceful since they have been in this industry for years. We have and should continue to tap into their knowledge to help our up-and-coming leaders.

### How can NIBA help to resolve it?

Please continue to have online and in person learning classes. The certificates help companies differentiate themselves from the competition. ●

# NIBA Scholarship Contributors

## President's Club

(cumulative contributions \$1,500 and over)

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Sparks Belting Company  
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Universal Belting Resource

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