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WHAT'S NEW AT BICERA VALVE?

There's always something new at Bicara Valve. Here's the latest scoop!

What an exciting time to be here at Bicara Valve! The market is slowly but surely recovering from the global pandemic, and production has been steadily increasing the past few months as a result.

We recently continued our building improvements with a new roof over a section of our factory that needed some attention. We chose rubber roofing for this section. The material is white, and the idea behind this decision is that white will absorb less heat than more traditional, dark roofing colors would. This should have an impact on lowering the temperatures in the machine shop during the summer months.

Finally, we recently welcomed Congressman Fred Keller to our factory. We took him on a tour and spoke with him about the opportunities we are seeing as well as the challenges we face. Representative Keller was very receptive, giving us some advice and offering his assistance with some things that immediately stood out to him. Congressman Keller also updated us on some matters that he has been working on in Washington. One market we spoke about at length was energy production and the impact our area of Pennsylvania plays in that with all the natural gas found here. Our



(From left: Todd Johnson, Mark Powers, The Hon. Fred Keller, and Dolly Powers)

explosion relief valves have an important role to play on generators and engines as well as compressors, so we are grateful for the wonderful opportunity to meet with him to discuss our business and the industry as a whole. We look forward to keeping in touch with him and his office to help keep Bicara Valve innovative and competitive for years to come.

Don't forget the kits!

Exercise your valves every year and replace the seals with a new BICERA maintenance kit every other year. Not sure what valve you have or what kit you need? Our Tools & Kits page <https://www.bicera.com/tools-kits> has a lot of useful information to help you identify the right kit for your valve. You can also call us at 800-232-4442 or email us at sales@penntroy.com, and we would be more than happy to help you get the information you need to keep your valves in compliance and you and your crew safe!

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Tools & Kits

Kit	Model	Part Number
K04 - Penn-Troy Bicara Valve Repair Kit for 4B0	4B0	K04
K4AV - Penn-Troy Bicara Valve Repair Kit for 4A	4A	K4AV
K49B - Penn-Troy Bicara Valve Repair Kit for 4A02W	4A02W	K49B

► Employee Recognition Corner



Darlene Putnam Production Assistant

How long have you worked at Penn-Troy?

10 years.

What is your position, and what are your common daily duties?

Production Assistant. I purchase items for various orders and make sure they are received on time to ship the product to our customers.

What do you like most about your job?

The people I work with.

What are your hobbies?

Gardening and camping.

Do you have a vacation ritual or location?

No.

What is your favorite movie?

"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"

Any bucket list item(s) you care to share?

To visit Grand Canyon National Park.

Do you have any hidden talents?

No.

Family?

Two boys.

How do you unwind outside of work?

I enjoy spending time with my grandchildren.

▶ A Message from the President

Welcome back to the *BICERA Beacon Journal*.

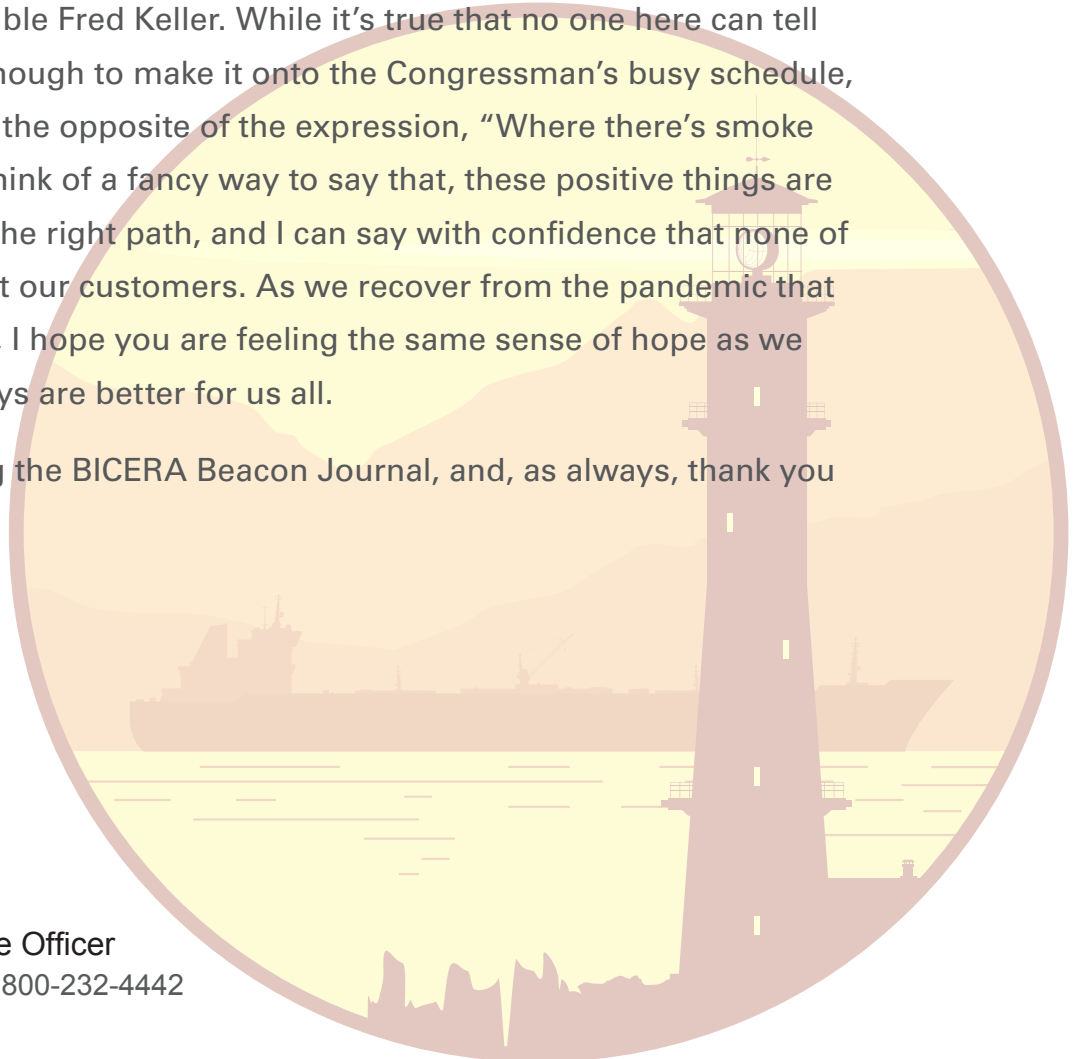
Summer is here, and life is starting to feel slightly normal again. That is, if you put aside sky high prices on wood, steel, computers, and anything else you might need. In the past, people used to try to break into Penn-Troy to steal scrap bronze. Now I'm wondering if we should consider locking up our wooden skids as well. Kidding aside, the feeling of optimism is pulsing through our veins here at the factory. Business has finally picked up, we are currently looking to hire people again, and — most exciting — we were visited by our U.S. Congressional Representative, The Honorable Fred Keller. While it's true that no one here can tell you why we were special enough to make it onto the Congressman's busy schedule, I like to chalk it up to being the opposite of the expression, "Where there's smoke there's fire." While I can't think of a fancy way to say that, these positive things are a sign that Penn-Troy is on the right path, and I can say with confidence that none of it would be possible without our customers. As we recover from the pandemic that ravaged our world so badly, I hope you are feeling the same sense of hope as we are, and that the coming days are better for us all.

Thank you again for reading the *BICERA Beacon Journal*, and, as always, thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

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The new white roof coating is designed to help reduce temperatures in the machine shop during the summer months.



Mark Powers with Congressman Fred Keller and Dolly Powers.



Congressman Fred Keller in the Penn-Troy offices.