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SME Education Foundation to Offer Two New Scholarships with Funding From Gene Haas Foundation

DEARBORN, Mich., June 6, 2008 — Students pursuing careers in machining technology and manufacturing technology will have two new scholarships available through the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) Education Foundation, thanks to funding from the Gene Haas Foundation.

The Gene Haas Foundation Machining Technology Scholarship and Manufacturing Technology Scholarship will be awarded to qualifying students starting this summer. The Gene Haas Foundation made the scholarships possible through a \$160,000 grant to the SME Education Foundation.

High school seniors, graduates or GED recipients will be eligible for the one-year Machining Technology Scholarship, which will range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for each awarded scholarship. Through its partnership with Project Lead the Way – a nonprofit program that offers science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) curriculum in middle and high schools – the SME Education Foundation will have the opportunity to draw from a national network of students participating in programs at more than 3,000 schools. This scholarship is specifically designated for students interested in coursework focused on machine operation and maintenance.

“Our partnership with the SME Education Foundation and our funding of these scholarships illustrate our commitment to strengthening America’s future workforce,” said Peter Zierhut, director of public relations, Haas Automation, Inc. “These scholarships complement the important work we are doing through the Haas Technical Education Center.” The centers leverage the technologies and capabilities of Haas Automation and partner with industry, schools and professional societies to ensure qualified learning institutes receive support and are able to provide the highest-quality manufacturing education possible. As of 2007, the HTEC network included 636 schools, colleges and universities in the United States and Canada.

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The one-year Manufacturing Technology Scholarship, which also will range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per scholarship, will be offered to high school seniors or undergraduates interested in manufacturing technology or manufacturing engineering careers.

“Organizations like the Gene Haas Foundation understand the importance of keeping the pipeline full of skilled workers, not just for the benefit of Haas Automation, but also for our country’s need to stay competitive worldwide,” said Bart Aslin, director of the SME Education Foundation. “These scholarships open the door for capable students who otherwise may not have the opportunity to pursue a higher education.”

The application and more information about the Gene Haas Foundation Machining Technology Scholarship can be found online at <http://www.sme.org/foundation>.

About the Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation is one of the nation’s leading nonprofit organizations dedicated to advancing manufacturing education. Its approach is threefold: to *inspire* youth to pursue careers in manufacturing; to *support* students studying for a career in an engineering-related field; and *prepare* these students to participate in a global economy. The Foundation has provided more than \$24 million in grants, scholarships and awards. The Education Foundation was created by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers in 1979 as a means of transforming manufacturing education in North American colleges and universities. It also has an award-winning Web site to foster interest in manufacturing: <http://www.manufacturingiscool.com>. For more information on the Foundation, visit <http://www.sme.org/foundation>.

SME Education Foundation, One SME Drive, Dearborn, MI 48121

About the Gene Haas Foundation

The Gene Haas Foundation was established in 1999 by Gene Haas, Founder and President of Haas Automation, Inc. the largest machine tool manufacturer in the United States. One of the primary goals of the Gene Haas Foundation is to provide financial assistance for students interested in manufacturing-based careers. Scholarships programs are available through career centers, technical schools, community colleges and universities.

Gene Haas recognizes that the future of manufacturing in the United States is directly dependent on the availability of skilled workers. That future hinges on recruiting more students and developing quality training programs across the country. Gene Haas Foundation funding goes directly to those training programs to attract prospective students.

About Project Lead the Way

Project Lead the Way® is a not-for-profit organization that promotes pre-engineering courses for middle and high school students. PLTW forms partnerships with public schools, higher education institutions and the private sector to increase the quantity and quality of engineers and engineering technologists graduating from our educational system. Visit <http://www.pltw.org>.

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2008 SME Education Foundation Haas Foundation Machining Technology Scholarship Application

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All Applicants Must:

- Intend to enroll or be enrolled in an engineering / technology machining program or closely related field of study
- Hold a GED certificate, be a high school senior, high school graduate or undergraduate student

PERSONAL INFORMATION		
Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Name:
Street Address:		US Citizen? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Resident or Legal Alien? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
City:	State:	ZIP:
E-Mail Address:		Home Telephone Number:
Cell Telephone Number:	Work Telephone Number:	Date of Birth:
SME Member? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Member Number:	
High School Graduate? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Date: My High School GPA is:	Attended College? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Date: Graduate? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Major:	Total College Credits Completed: College GPA:
GED Certificate? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Date:	First Generation College Graduate? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Participated in Project Lead The Way classes in High School? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

SCHOOL INFORMATION		
List the college / university or trade school which you will attend:		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
List the major you plan to pursue:	Certificate? <input type="checkbox"/>	Associates Degree? <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors Degree? <input type="checkbox"/>

OPTIONAL INFORMATION	
Race: White	Gender: Male

STUDENT / APPLICANT CERTIFICATION		
I affirm the information that I have (will) provided on this application, or any supportive materials, is (will be) complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that furnishing false information may result in not being considered or revocation of a scholarship at some later date. I understand that, if selected for a scholarship, you may use my photo and or testimonial for promotion and public relations purposes.		
Printed Name	Signature	Date

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, creed, age, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital status or parental status, sexual orientation, or disability. Applicants are asked to provide information about their gender and race for statistical purposes only.

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ATTACHMENTS OF SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Using a separate sheet(s) of 8 ½ x 11 paper (single-sided) for each item, include the following information to support your application. Please type and attach your information in the order in which it is listed below.

1. **Resume (For more information about Resume format and content go to google.com and search on key work *Resume*)**
Educational Record, Activities and Honors
 - List the name and address of the school(s) you attended (grades 9 through 12) include college or trade schools
 - List school-related extracurricular activities in which you have participated
 - List non-school related activities in which you have participated
 - List honors, civic honors, or awards you have received
 - List affiliations or professional memberships**Employment Record**
 - List all jobs you have held. Include the names of the employer, the dates of employment, and the type of work you performed.
 - List proficient skills
2. **Essay Question**
 - One purpose of the Gene Haas scholarships is to encourage and enable students with the ability to pursue a career in the field of machining engineering & technology. Please provide a statement, in 500 words or less, your goals, plans, experiences and interests in machining engineering and technology. Essay must be typed on a single sheet of paper.
3. **Letters of Reference**
 - Provide two letters of reference; one must come from a sponsoring instructor / faculty member
4. **Transcripts**
 - Include a copy of your high school transcript or GED with this application.
 - Include a copy of college / trade school transcripts

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

YOU MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS VIA EMAIL WITH ATTACHEMENT to Foundation@sme.org. Applications will be processed on a first come first serve basis. Applicants will be notified within 30 days after submitting their application of their status.

CHECK LIST

- Completed application cover page (one Page)
- Resume (maximum one page)
- Essay (maximum one page)
- Letter of reference (two required)
- Transcripts (multiple pages)

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