Space Coast Chapter of Women In Defense

“How Monthly Networking Meeting – Company Update at Knights Armament”

March 23, 2016 - from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sponsored and hosted by:

Knights Armament (KAC)
701 Columbia Blvd, Titusville, FL

Light Hors d’oeuvres $20.00 for Members and $25.00 for Guests – RSVP Required - Limited Seating

Speaker is:

Art Hoelke, VP/General Manager

Since joining KAC in 1991, Mr. Hoelke has been involved in numerous programs, including the “R squared” (Suppressed Revolver Rifle) and Revolver Pistol Program, the H-53 gun mount ship set, the 9 mm snap-on suppressor for the Beretta 92F for the Air Force, the .50 cal. Flash hiders, the M4QD suppressor program (now called the NT-4), He also worked on the MK23 suppressor program from prototype to production and worked on the Rail Adapter/Interface Systems and the 300-meter flip-up folding iron sight for the USSOCOM. Mr. Hoelke has been with Knight’s Armament Company for over 22 years and has accumulated more than 30 years in the management and manufacturing industry.

Mr. Hoelke is a well-known leader in the local community, having been appointed by Florida Governor, Jeb Bush, to serve a 2 year term to the Early Learning Coalition of Brevard County July 2005 through April 2007. He did participate in the Brevard County machinist apprentice Program which is located at the Eastern Florida State College, and served on the Economic Development Commission. He was very active on the Banner Center for Manufacturing as the advisory council chair and held that seat until it was resolved and he received the Industry Distinguished Service award from FLATE in 2010. He now also sits on the advisory council for the STEAM Academy at Space Coast High School. He also is part of the STEM council for Brevard County under the leadership of Pam Gillespie with Rep. Bill Posey’s office.

Recently, Art has been accepted to the MACF Board (Manufacturing Association of Central Florida) and he has accepted a seat with CAME (Workforce & Education Leadership Council CareerSource Florida grant) and will soon be leading the RMA Focus Group (Regional Manufacturing Association).

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