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**You are Invited to the
2026 Annual Convention**

42nd Annual NAHAD Meeting & Convention

Accelerating Connections, Driving Performance

May 16-19, 2026
Indianapolis, Indiana





Registration for NAHAD's Annual Convention is now open. This event offers a unique opportunity to engage with peers, explore the latest developments, and build meaningful connections that position you as a leader in the hose and hose accessory industry.

NAHAD anticipates record attendance at this year's convention in Indianapolis. With a larger exhibit hall and expanded networking opportunities, you'll gain enhanced access to the companies and leaders shaping the industry, while connecting with the next generation of hose industry professionals.

Register Now



NAHAD Board Update



This month, the NAHAD Board of Directors approved a leadership change. **Ryan Gocher**, formerly representing Continental on the Board, has joined TIPCO Technologies, and **Brad Marshall**, who previously represented TIPCO, will step down to allow Ryan to serve the remainder of his term. **Jim Hill**, Vice President of Marketing and Strategy, Americas, for Continental ContiTech, will join the Board to represent Continental.

Members of the Board also welcomed the proposed incoming 2026 class of Directors, who will be voted on during the Annual Convention (pictured above with NAHAD's current Executive Committee). NAHAD thanks this class for their willingness to serve and looks forward to the perspective and expertise they will bring.

Member News

**Quality Conveyor
Solutions Celebrates 10**



Years of Excellence in Conveyor and Industrial Solutions

Quality Conveyor Solutions (QCS), a trusted provider of conveyor systems and industrial solutions, proudly celebrates its 10th anniversary this January. Founded in 2016, Quality Conveyor Solutions has spent the past decade delivering reliable, high-quality solutions to customers across a wide range of industries.

[Read More.](#)



Coxreels Offers different options for the Challenger Series Reels

Coxreels is proud to offer the roller bracket assemblies for the Challenger Series. The function of the roller bracket, as it is on other models such as the 1125-Series and the 1175-Series, is to assist in guiding the hose during both extension and retraction. The

roller bracket assembly is available only in a 4-way upper roller format, due to the compact size of the Challenger platform.

[Read More.](#)

POS (Point of Sale) Management for Manufacturers – New Data Quality Reports



Interlynx is excited to share a key improvement to our POS (Point of Sale) Management system for Manufacturers. This enhancement focuses on data quality, ensuring that manufacturer reporting is built on consistent, accurate distributor submissions. Clean data is the foundation for trusted reporting, confident decision-making, and stronger channel performance.

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NAHAD News



NAHAD's 2026 Cross-Industry Compensation & Benefits Study Opens Next Week

In today's competitive labor market, employees continue to evaluate total rewards including compensation, benefits, flexibility, and long-term career support. NAHAD is pleased to once again partner with Industry Insights for this year's Cross-Industry Compensation & Benefits Survey. This survey provides business owners and HR leaders with trusted benchmarking data to evaluate pay competitiveness, identify workforce trends, and support informed talent decisions.

New for 2026, the survey introduces incumbent-based reporting, improving accuracy and comparability across roles, locations, and company sizes. Participants receive confidential, company-specific reports and access to robust benchmarking tools. The survey opens next week so look for communications directly from Industry Insights.

Update your Information

NAHAD's LEAD Program

NAHAD's LEAD program connects high-potential professionals with seasoned industry leaders to deliver practical insights, expanded networks, and measurable leadership growth. Ideal for emerging leaders with two or more years of experience, LEAD also supports executives in talent retention, succession planning, and long-term business performance.

Program highlights:

- **Complimentary registration for the 2026 NAHAD Annual Convention**
- One-on-one mentorship with an industry leader
- Targeted leadership workshops and peer networking
- In-person DiSC session led by a professional facilitator

Participation is limited. Nominate your top talent or sponsor an employee to ensure your organization is represented among the industry's future leaders.

Secure a Spot for Your Emerging Leader

The NAHAD logo consists of the word "NAHAD" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

Master of
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NAHAD Exclusive Scholarship

NAHAD has partnered with Texas A&M University's top-ranked Master of Industrial Distribution (MID) program to award a \$5,000 Jennings Scholarship to one NAHAD member employee.

Built for high-potential professionals with 5+ years of industry experience, this flexible, online master's program delivers real-world leadership and business expertise without putting your career on pause. Apply to the MID program and notify Texas A&M of your intent to apply for the NAHAD scholarship. Applications are open now and reviewed on a rolling basis, with a final deadline of May 31, 2026.

Learn More About the Program



Spotlight Opportunities with NAHAD

The 2026 NAHAD Advertising Prospectus is here, and it includes a range of exciting opportunities to reach the hose and hose accessory industry.

New this year: LinkedIn Advertising is available for just \$3,000 per ad, providing highly targeted exposure through NAHAD-managed campaigns.

Other 2026 advertising options include:

- NAHAD365 e-newsletter placements
- NAHAD News print and advertorial opportunities
- LinkedIn Live interviews
- Digital Membership Directory advertising

Advertise with NAHAD



Engineering, Selecting, and Deploying Cooling Hoses for AI Data Centers Webinar

Following December's session, Data Center Cooling Hoses: A New Frontier in Fluid Handling, this webinar takes a deeper dive into the engineering, selection, and deployment of cooling hoses for AI data centers. Topics include materials, construction, connection methods, and emerging standards to help you design and scale with confidence.

Presented by: Katlyn Ricciardo (moderator), Brent Lilly, Tom Cobb, Frank Caprio, Ben Tracey

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