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ISO Recertification Audit

▲ At the end of April, Professional Plating Inc underwent an intensive recertification audit to ISO standard 9001:2015. Surveillance audits are done annually, with the more comprehensive recertification audit done every three years. Being ISO certified acts as a globally recognized stamp of approval, assuring our customers that our services meet high, verified standards.



Engineering & Quality Manager Bob Zipperer, along with Senior Quality Analyst Sara Bartel worked with the on-site auditors to review processes and procedures. The auditors were very thorough and identified a few items that we needed to address before our certification was renewed. You can find a copy of our updated ISO certificate on the "Quality" tab of our website at www.proplating.com.

Hats off to our Team as they continue to follow documented processes to ensure repeatable and consistent quality on every customer order!



Decorating for Easter

▲ Professional Plating annually offers a Kids Easter Coloring event to bring some fun and cheerfulness to our work environment!

The wall along our main Team Member entrance becomes a large refrigerator door on which we hang Easter-themed pictures that were submitted by the children/grandchildren/siblings of our Team Members.

Two pictures are randomly picked from all submitted entries, with the winners receiving an Easter basket filled with goodies.



This year's winners were Sophia (age 1), daughter of Sales Estimator-Planner, Dedra Boettcher (pictured on the left); and Nixon (age 7), son of Hannah Reinbolt who is a Production Tech in Epoxy Ecoat (pictured on the right).

Our thanks to everyone who took the time to submit a picture to help us decorate for Easter!



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Volvo Approval

Team Member Spotlight



DJ Emmer
Zinc Operations Assistant



I started my career at Professional Plating in September 2019, deciding to rejoin the work force after homeschooling my children. It took only a few months of learning how to rack and inspect parts on a zinc rack line before I advanced to accepting the Operator role. Since that time, I've tried jobs in Quality, Zinc Barrel and Epoxy Ecoat, but eventually found my way back to the Zinc Rack lines and in November 2025 was awarded the position of Zinc Operations Assistant.

In my new position I enjoy floating around and helping where needed, answering questions about orders/parts/scheduling or even filling in on a production line when another set of hands is needed.

Over the past 7 years, I have worked hard and learned a lot about the Zinc department, making mistakes along the way but using those mistakes as learning opportunities. I enjoy working with my entire 2nd shift team as I feel I have great relationships with them all.

My husband Justin works in maintenance at Professional Plating and not only provides me with moral support, but has taught me countless troubleshooting techniques on the zinc lines.

Away from work, I love taking care of animals, especially the babies (although I don't do this much anymore), I enjoy activities in the outdoors (when it's not winter), trying different restaurants when I'm able and I just can't get enough of visiting with my family and seeing/playing with my two grandsons.

I look forward to the continued learning in my new position and am excited about what the future has in store.

Brillion Nature Center



Located just West of the City of Brillion, the Brillion Nature Center is a beautiful 40 acre parcel of land providing environmental education opportunities and outdoor experiences for area schools and the general public.



Each Spring many hours of planning go into the annual fundraising banquet that finances approximately 80% of the center's annual operating expense. This year's banquet raised over \$47,000!

Professional Plating is proud to be a financial supporter of the Brillion Nature Center and their fundraising efforts.

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Helping One of our Own

▲ The Team at Professional Plating looks forward to what has become an annual tradition, our Spring Raffle and Bake Sale.

This event covers several days, allowing time for our Team to bring in donated items for the raffle and then another two days for them to purchase tickets to potentially win some item(s). We always get such a nice variety of donated items that everyone can find something they would be thrilled to win!



Those on our team who like creating baked goods were encouraged to donate items to our Bake Sale for others to purchase. One Team Member went as far as taking orders for her fresh sour dough bread and baked up 29 loaves!

When the event was announced, we let our team know that this year all proceeds would go to team member Ben Chewning and his family. Ben is a Strip Line Operator for our Powder department. Ben's son Elliot was born early and spent several weeks at Children's Hospital. On behalf of the PPI Team, we were proud to present Ben and his family a check for \$2,500.00 to help with their medical and travel expenses.

To wrap up our event and show appreciation to our Team for their generosity, a box lunch was catered in from Cobblestone Creek.

Salutatorian Award

▲ Professional Plating Inc is the financial sponsor of the Brillion High School Salutatorian Award. On May 27th, Professional Plating General Manager Kerry Behnke awarded this year's \$5,000 scholarship to Salutatorian Emma Krahn.

Ms Krahn is a very motivated individual!



At age 17, Emma enlisted in the Army National Guard and spent 10 weeks at Fort Leonard Wood, earning the prestigious Iron Soldier Award given to the top male and female trainees with the highest fitness scores in their training class. Athletics has been a big part of Emma's life being a three-sport athlete (cross country, basketball and track) all four years of high school.

In her Salutatorian address at the Brillion High School graduation ceremony, Krahn's message to her class mates carried the theme that you can't always control what happens to you, but you can control your response and your attitude about it.

Ms Krahn has a plan to study pre-medicine at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire this Fall. We wish her all the best!

For information about Professional Plating and general questions related to metal finishing, check the FAQ section of our website at:

Frequently Asked Questions

www.prolating.com

Wellness at Work



I would venture to guess that most of you reading this, have goals to be healthier, work out, eat more fresh fruit and veggies, etc. Professional Plating wants those things for our Team as well!

Our insured Team Members are encouraged to use the free Fitlyfe wellness app available through our insurance carrier. This app tracks healthy behaviors such as doing preventative medical checkups, donating blood, or participating in community run/walks. We also had company sponsored on-site bio-metric screenings days available to our Team. By doing any of these tasks, team members earn points, and those points can equate to a reduced medical insurance premium.



Professional Plating has occasional "wellness days" providing healthy items for our team members to try.



In May, we acknowledged National Beverage Day and took that opportunity to encourage everyone to "Skip the Soda" (and energy drinks) and instead choose water as their beverage for the day. Fresh lemon slices were provided.

In June, our offering was rhubarb! Individual cups of rhubarb sauce (similar to apple sauce) were available for team members to try.



Our most recent healthy snack was sugar snap peas, freshly picked at Porter's Patch near Bonduel. The peas were packaged into small bags and were quickly gobbled up.



Whether our efforts are changing our team's eating habits or not we will continue providing an occasional healthy snack option that may become a new favorite snack. Any small win is worth celebrating!

Healthy food makes you feel good!

