

ABOUT US**Return to Community**

Spring has sprung – leaves are budding, tulips are sprouting, birds are chirping and new beginnings are all around us! We are hopeful for a season that brings many more new beginnings and some welcomed changes.

Over the last year, it goes without saying that all of us have been impacted in numerous ways. One of the specific ways that doesn't get a lot of mention is how most volunteering events and opportunities were cancelled or put on hold indefinitely.

While our employees still showed their generosity with our annual Ronald McDonald House of Akron fundraiser, they are eager to get back out into the community and give back! We've all heard "return to normal" countless times, but at KEP we're excited to "return to community!"

SERVICE YOU CAN SEE

Cheri Thompson, Manager of Winesburg Operations, keeps everyone on task, making sure our business runs smoothly without interruption. Cheri not only keeps our team accountable, she's always available – and employs an open-door policy with her Winesburg team.

[Learn more about how Cheri sees the big picture to make sure our customers' needs are met in our Leader Views blog >>](#)

TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Durrell Jenkins, a KEP team member for over 2 years, currently works as a custom dipping operator at our Kent facility. Durrell is the jack of all trades! He held a position as a dip room operator, then an extrusion operator, before assuming his current role. Durrell works to maintain the proper operation of our dip room machines, helping to ensure that our products consistently meet quality standards.

[Read more about Durrell in our Leader Views Blog >](#)

TESTIMONIAL

"KEP manufactures the latex tubing for our robots. We receive excellent service from our representative, quick responses and answers, and a speedy ordering process."

– Nadia P., Principal Buyer, Pharmacy Automation Company

ANNIVERSARIES

April showers bring May flowers – *and* a fresh batch of KEP team members celebrating anniversaries! This month we have a combined 193 years to celebrate, a HUGE number for a relatively small (but mighty) group of team members! We have two team members at our Winesburg facility, Ada Miller, a team leader, and Teresa Sexton, a line coach for stripline in addition to working in the fishline, bulk and lacing areas, who have been with us for an impressive 42 and 31 years respectively. Please join us in celebrating all of these team members!

- Ada Miller – Winesburg – 42 years on 4/16
- Theresa Sexton – Winesburg – 31 years on 4/16
- Cristal Westfall – Winesburg – 26 years on 4/3
- Michael Brown – Winesburg – 26 years on 4/20
- Jerame Markel – Winesburg – 18 years on 4/7
- Rodney Brady – Kent – 16 years on 4/5
- Renee Onesti – Kent – 14 years on 4/23
- Brian Davis – Winesburg – 10 years on 4/11
- Anthony Hockenberry – Kent – 5 years on 4/15
- Spencer Martin – Kent – 3 years on 4/10
- Jason Griffin – Winesburg – 2 years on 4/22

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