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SAVANT GROUP Unveiled New Global Headquarters



The *SAVANT GROUP*, comprised of four individual companies that provide products and services to the lubricant, transportation, and energy industries, unveiled the first look of the new global headquarters at Savant Labs' 50th Anniversary Celebration. The new facilities will be constructed on Bay City Road in Midland, Michigan.

The new 53,000 square foot building will house Savant Labs, Tannas Co., King Refrigeration, a new machine shop and the Institute of Materials of the *Savant Group*. This \$10 million investment will include laboratory testing, manufacturing, research, technical training, and administrative space for more than 85 employees today. The new global headquarters will provide room to grow, allowing for an anticipated 40% increase in job creation over the next several years.

"This is an exciting time for us as we unveil our new headquarters in the year of our 50th anniversary. We have come a long way since Ted Selby started Savant Labs in 1969 as a materials-consulting firm. It truly shows the dedication and hard work of our employees and is a significant milestone in pursuit of our goal to continuously improve our service to our growing global customer base." said Rebecca Cox, President.

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Founder Ted Selby Recognized for 50th Working Patent



Recently awarded his 50th patent for Grease Wear Resistance (Pat. No. 15/731,024), Ted Selby commented, "Patents are the result of a number of different minds working together to obtain new insights into innovative approaches and technologies. Our patents have multiple inventors listed and are a great example of how our companies have worked together successfully over the years." Ted continued, "As it relates to 50 years in business, this is a statement more about our people being wise servants to our companies, each other, and, most importantly, our customers."

Ted also holds patents for several key engine oil bench tests that are now industry requirements such as the Tapered Bearing Simulator (TBS™) Viscometer for high temperature, high shear (HTHS) viscosity, Scanning Brookfield Technique™/Gelation Index, Thermo-Oxidation Engine Oil Simulation Test (TEOST®), and more.

Special Recognitions



Employees and their families participated in the 50th Anniversary Celebration, with many local organizations and community leaders in attendance. The event included a congressional certificate awarded by Congressman John Moolenaar's office as well as a tribute to Ted Selby presented by State Senator Jim Stamas. "This special tribute recognizes Savant Labs' 50 years and the many industry accomplishments that have set the standards across the world. It truly is a testament to your leadership, the leadership of Savant Labs and, as you have said, a testament to your employees that make the difference," said Senator Stamas.

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