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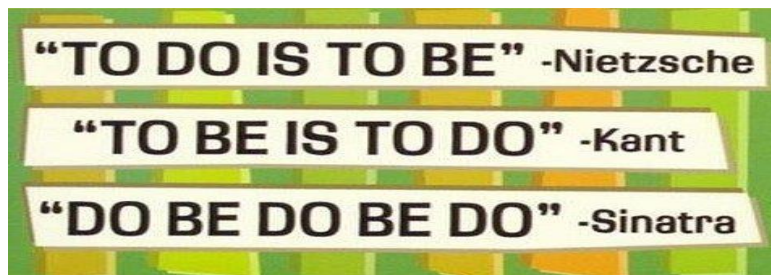
# *FOY'S EPICS EVENTS*

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## Busy Year Already at Foy Inc!

This has been a busy year already for the Foy Inc crew! Here are just a few things we've been up to in 2016:

- Released minor updates 9.2.5 through 9.2.7.

- Represented Foy Inc at the March AEC meeting in San Antonio.

- Hosted and enjoyed a great EPICS User Conference in Pompano Beach, Florida.

- Represented Foy Inc in Chicago at ET '16, where our Vice President, John Stenger, was privileged to present a paper on what MES (Manufacturing Execution System) software should provide. It was very well received.

- Assisted quite a few customers in updating to EPICS V9, including a number of onsite visits.

- Welcomed a new extruder, Shoals Extrusion in Florence, Alabama, to the EPICS family.

- Conducted 14 training webinars.

- Conducted 3 four-day training classes at Foy Inc for 9 customers (21 people).

- Ate our fair share of Tex-Mex and Barbecue.

In the midst of all these exciting events, we have also been hard at work getting a major update ready for release.  **We are excited to announce that 9.3 will be available in the next few days.** Administrators should keep an eye out, an email notification will be sent when the update is ready for download. You can read all about the update details in the next section!

The rest of the year is shaping up to be just as action packed. We'll keep you up to date.



"TO DO IS TO BE" -Nietzsche
"TO BE IS TO DO" -Kant
"DO BE DO BE DO" -Sinatra

## EPICS Version 9.3.0

This major update is packed with both new features and improvements to existing functions. **It will be available for download in the next few days.** Administrators should keep an eye out for the notification email. As with all major updates, be sure to use the [EPICS V9 Major Update Procedure](#).

EPICS Help documentation has been updated to provide additional information about the new features and configuration settings. Below is a list of all that will be included in the update:

*Indicates an EPICS wish-list item.

- *gRequireRackForProduction requires the selection of a source and destination rack ID when entering production, packing, or pulling from stock (This prevents users from being able to by-pass racks when posting production)
- *Prevent a department from posting more pieces than the previous department has posted (using gRequireRackForProduction)
- *Allow color coding and font selection for notes and alerts using Text Styles
- *Add second "Restrict To" option for discounts and surcharge (e.g. restrict by Alloy and Die Type)
- *Allow specified users to be automatically logged out due to inactivity (uses gInactivityLogoutEnabled and gInactivityLogoutInterval)
- Add "Billet Oven" tab to extrusion production screen – activate by setting "Use Billet Queue" checkbox for each press
- Add "Save to File" button to the "Apply Changes" tab of Adjust Prices screens
- Add "Base Language" field to Language lookup table
- When assigning new invoice numbers, look first for NextNum document for INVOICE-[OfficeCode], then INVOICE-[Plant], then INVOICE (like V8)
- When reallocating, use current RackID as the default rack out
- Allow only bill-to customers to be used when creating parts, customer groups, and stock inventory records
- Add "Email Active Window" button to Help ribbon
- Add right-click "Refresh" option to list builder control on Customer Groups and other screens
- Lengthen Die.Alias field from 7 to 12 characters
- Fix: Exclude expired alerts when looking for copy-specific extrusion alerts
- Fix: Screen Layout Designer – Eliminate error when saving and loading user field labels that include commas
- Fix: (Oracle) Correct problem reading report permissions for mixed-case report file names

- Fix: Show dropdown list of ship-to customers on order entry screen when more than 5000 active customers are in table
- Fix: Re-establish separate permissions for frmAdjustPrices, frmAdjustPartPrices, and frmAdjustQuotePrices
- Fix: Disable/Enable ribbon buttons based on permissions for each form
- Fix: Enhanced Shipping - correct unhandled exception when any ticket that is part of a master ticket is on hold
- Fix: After voiding a ticket, automatically remove it from any racks
- Fix: Improve appearance and behavior of "Close Old Cast Numbers" tab of Chemical Composition screen
- Fix: Eliminate unhandled exception if oven load time for die copy has been manually erased by a user
- Fix: When gMaintenanceLockout is enabled, prevent attempted logins from blocking stored procedure calls
- Fix: When voiding a packing ticket, do not set scheduled hours to zero for the original shift
- Fix: Eliminate unhandled exception when using Maintain Manifests screen to find manifests by invoice number
- Fix: When creating a new customer from a quote customer, include all contacts
- Fix: If gCheckDiscounts is set to AUTO, do not post any new sales order items where discounts and surcharges failed to apply
- Fix: Set Ticket.DateDue for tickets pulled from stock to the item's due date
- Fix: Display correct used weight and received weight on the "Close Old Cast Numbers" tab of the Chemical Composition screen
- Fix: Eliminate error on Maintain Racks screen when searching for racks by PrevDeptNum
- Fix: Update remaining work order quantity correctly for items that received pieces via reallocation or fill-from-stock
- Fix: Use ordered unit to more accurately determine when stock items are complete
- Fix: Correct pieces ordered in SOItemHist when order is placed in Lb in metric database or in Kg in imperial database
- Fix: Match Metric and Imperial cut lengths correctly when filling from stock
- Fix: Correctly handle split permissions for press and saw (READ/WRITE or WRITE/READ)
- Fix: Eliminate cutback posting error when loading racks that came from stock or overage
- Fix: On input boxes, allow right-click "Paste" option to append or replace depending on whether text is selected

## Official 2016 Wishlist Released

As always, we greatly value your EPICS feedback! We are looking forward to focusing on the great list of feature requests from this year's user conference.

As you probably know by now, many items on this list will become our project list for the next year of development.

The voting is final, and the results are below:

| 2016 EPICS Wishlist | | |
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| **As determined by a vote of EPICS users** | | |
| **Rank** | **Score** | **Item** |
| 1 | 100 | Prevent overlap of start/stop times for production and downtime (by department) and ensure that downtime falls within start/stop of job |
| 2 | 96 | Add ability to easily clean up rack records at a department level |
| 3 | 88 | Add ability to preview documents before emailing |
| 4 | 86 | When adding new orders for a customer, immediately warn if the customer is on hold |
| 5 | 81 | When placing orders on hold, add ability to also hold racks and bundles, and enter a reason for the hold |
| 6 | 81 | Add ability to print a "Hold" ticket from the Maintain Tickets and Plant Hold screens |
| 7 | 80 | Press Schedule - Allow selection of multiple items to add to the schedule. (Batches of dies, finishes, etc.) |
| 8 | 79 | Show available stock on the Press Schedule screen |
| 9 | 78 | Add die tooling information (backer & bolster) and die note columns to the die oven schedule screen |
| 10 | 77 | Show a detailed log of items filled from stock and their source |
| 11 | 76 | Allow undo of scrap from an outside processor |

| 12 | 75 | When releasing orders from hold, display warning if the order is now behind schedule |
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| 13 | 74 | Add option to require tensile tests based on cert code selection |
| 14 | 69 | Add Alloy Type to die history |
| 15 | 66 | Add re-promise date for late items that must be rescheduled for shipment |
| 16 | 66 | Add ability to re-price multiple sales orders in one step on order entry screen |
| 17 | 65 | On Plant Hold screen, allow selection of multiple dies to be placed on hold |
| 18 | 64 | Show planned billet quantity on Planning tab of Sales Order screen |
| 19 | 62 | Add ability to re-apply plan dates based on a bottleneck department after production is posted |
| 20 | 60 | Add ability to email alerts from the Corrective Action module |
| 21 | 58 | Add per-department permission to require rack tracking settings |
| 22 | 56 | Add separate permission for the Mass-Selection section of the Delete Sales Order screen |
| 23 | 56 | Automatically create stock tickets when receiving from outside (like packing tickets) |
| 24 | 52 | When required rack tracking is enabled, allow exception for affiliated departments (fab) |
| 25 | 51 | Add SpecCode and Routing as attributes for Notes and Alerts |
| 26 | 50 | Automate re-acknowledgment to customer after making pricing changes |
| 27 | 49 | If customer is on order entry hold, do not allow creation of dies and parts |
| 28 | 49 | Add ability to create a separate Die Trial schedule |
| 29 | 46 | Add ability to apply all sales order items to a Reserve in one step |
| 30 | 44 | Restrict permission for CSRs and salespeople to access their customer's records only. (Parts, Dies, Orders, Customers, etc.) |
| 31 | 44 | Add ability to require a password override if changing a price to a value below system base price |
| 32 | 40 | Allow price components using 2 conditions (Die Type/Alloy, etc.) |

| 33 | 40 | Add new RackCode for rack packing instructions. Assigned by Part and by Department. |
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| 34 | 40 | Add a new Alert to warn or prevent Order Entry from posting a single item above a configurable weight limit |
| 35 | 39 | Add ability to manage log and billet sales |
| 36 | 38 | Show total applied orders and weight to a reserve even if it exceeds reserve. Give a warning to Order Entry but allow it to be overridden. |
| 37 | 38 | Add ability to duplicate a sales order and assign it to a different customer |
| 38 | 34 | Limit the list of parts on Stock Replacement screen to show only the selected customer's parts |
| 39 | 31 | Allow separate range of invoice numbers based on office code or plant code |
| 40 | 24 | Add a configuration setting to require that parts be selected from the list at Order Entry |
| 41 | 20 | Add standard rate/hour for a reserve to the reserve screen to calculate reserve press hours in the Backlogs screen till reserve hits zero |
| 42 | 19 | Add ability to correct or undo a shipped Inter-Plant Transfer |
| 43 | 18 | Add config setting to copy/not copy credit info when copying customer record |
| 44 | 18 | Give stock availability messages when entering a quote (like Order Entry) |
| 45 | 15 | Improve visibility of international currencies on pricing screens and Invoice screen |
| 46 | 11 | Add 3 more Spec codes to Part |
| 47 | 10 | Add Alert that will display when creating a new Part |
| 48 | 10 | Allow customer number of a Quote to be changed |

## EUC 2017

We've picked out the location and the hotel for EUC 2017, to be held April 9th – 12th. Although we are partial, we think you are going to love it! Come join us for a Texas-good-time in Austin!

Austin is now legendary for its fantastic live music, eclectic restaurant scene, and its one-of-a-kind culture. We'll be staying in the Four Seasons hotel in downtown Austin. This is a great central location on the banks of the Lady Bird Lake, where you will be within walking distance of great music, delicious food, outdoor activity, and beautiful scenery.



We're planning a special Monday night dinner in the downtown area that you'll be sure to enjoy. We'll have more details about that soon!

You can begin reserving your hotel rooms on June 15, 2016. Rooms are blocked off for April 8th – April 12th at the conference discount rate of $259.00 per night. On June 15th and after, call 1-512-685-8100 and mention 'EPICS User Conference 2017'.

## EPICS Training Opportunities

Be sure to have your EPICS Administrator and key users trained thoroughly on EPICS V9.

EPICS classroom training sessions are held at the Foy Inc offices in Farmersville, Texas.  The next available V9 classes are scheduled for **July 18-21** (4 seats left), **August 22-25**, and **September 12-15**. You can always view training class availability on our Training Classes webpage.

If you are interested in a two-day Reports training class working with the EPICS database, please let us know by calling 972-782-7282 or emailing us at info@foyinc.com.  We schedule the Reports classes on demand.

## EPICS Customer List

### *On any given day*
### *EPICS is helping over 15,000 people*
### *at 100 extrusion plants around the world.*

Aacoa Extrusions – Niles, Michigan
Aerolite Extrusion – Youngstown, Ohio
Almag Aluminum Inc. – Brampton, Ontario
Almax Aluminium – Brisbane, Australia
Altec – Jeffersonville, Indiana
Aluminio de Baja California (ABC) – Tijuana, Mexico
Aluminio de Centro América – San Salvador, El Salvador
Aluminum Extrusions Inc – Senatobia, Miss.
American Aluminum Extrusions – Canton, Ohio
American Aluminum Extrusions – Beloit, WS
American Aluminum Extrusions – Roscoe, Illinois
Anaheim Extrusions (UMEX) – Anaheim, California
APEL Extrusions Ltd. – Calgary, Alberta
APEL Extrusions – Coburg, Oregon
Apex Aluminum Extrusions – Langley, BC, Canada
Arch Aluminum – Miami, Florida
Architectural & Metal Systems – Cork, Ireland
Ascend Custom Extrusions – Wylie, Texas
Astro Shapes – Struthers, Ohio
Benada Aluminum – Sanford, Florida
Bristol Aluminum – Levittown, Pennsylvania
Briteline Extrusions – Summerville, S. Carolina
BRT Extrusions – Niles, Ohio
CanArt – Brampton, Ontario
CanArt – Windsor, Ontario
Capral Extrusions – Angaston, Australia
Capral Extrusions – Penrith, Australia
Central Aluminum – Columbus, Ohio
Claridge Products – Harrison, Arkansas
Crown Extrusions - Chaska, Minnesota
Gateway Extrusions, Ltd – Union, Missouri
DeeZee, Inc – Des Moines, Iowa
Extruders Inc – Wylie, Texas
Extrudex – Weston, Ontario
Extrudex – Berniéres, Quebec
Extrudex – North Jackson, Ohio
FISA – Guayaquil, Ecuador
Frontier Aluminum – Corona, California
G. James – Brisbane, Australia
G. James – Sydney, Australia
Hulamin – Pietermaritzburg, South Africa
Hulamin – Capetown, South Africa
Hulamin – Olifantsfontein, South Africa
Independent Extrusions (INEX) – Hamilton, New Zealand
Independent Extrusions (INEX) – Brisbane, Australia
Independent Extrusions (INEX) – Melbourne, Australia
International Extrusions – Garden City, Michigan
International Extrusion Corp. (UMEX) – Waxahachie, Texas
Jalex – Kingston, Jamaica
Keymark Corporation – Fonda, New York

Keymark Corporation – Lakeland, Florida
Keymark Corporation – Orlando, Florida
MI Metals, Inc - Smyrna, Tennessee
MI Metals, Inc – Millersburg, Pennsylvania
MI Metals, Inc – Oldsmar, Florida
MI Metals, Inc – Prescott Valley, Arizona
MI Windows and Doors – Carrollton, Texas
Michigan Extruded Aluminum – Jackson, Michigan
Nanshan America – Lafayette, Indiana
Nigalex – Lagos, Nigeria
Non-Ferrous Extrusion – Houston, Texas
Oldcastle Building Envelope – Midway, Tennessee
Oldcastle Building Envelope – Terrell, Texas
Orrvilon (Holtec) – Orrville, Ohio
Patrick Metals (UMEX) – Mishawaka, Indiana
Pennex – Leetonia, Ohio
Pennex – Wellsville, Pennsylvania
Perfiles de Aluminio – San Juan, Puerto Rico
Ply Gem Extrusion– Bryan, Texas
Postle Aluminum – Cassopolis, Michigan
Press Metals – Cumming, Georgia
Pries Enterprises – Independence, Iowa
PT Alumindo Perkasa – Jakarta, Indonesia
PT Indal – Surabaya, Indonesia
Profile Extrusions – Rome, Georgia
Profile (RJS Precision Ext.) – Phoenix, Arizona
Schimmer Metal – Bangkok, Thailand
Selaco Aluminium – Johar, Malaysia
Service Center Metals – Prince George, Virginia
Shoals Extrusion – Florence, Alabama
Sierra Aluminum – Fontana, California
Sierra Aluminum – Riverside, California
Silver City Aluminum - Taunton, Mass
Spectra Aluminum – Bradford, Ontario
Star Extruded Shapes - Canfield, Ohio
Sun Valley - Los Angeles, California
Superior Extrusion – Gwinn, Michigan
Superior Metal Shapes – Chino, California
Tecnoglass – Barranquilla, Columbia
Taber Extrusions – Gulfport, Mississippi
Taber Extrusions – Russellville, Arkansas
Tifton Extrusions – Tifton, Georgia
Tri–City Extrusion – Bristol, Tennessee
Tubelite – Reed City, Michigan
Universal Molding (UMEX) – Downey, California
Vitex – Franklin, New Hampshire
Wakefield-Vette – Pelham, New Hampshire
Wakefield-Vette – Withee, Wisconsin
Western Extrusion – Carrolton, Texas
Zarbana Industries – Columbiana, Ohio

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