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We would like to thank everyone in the industry that voted for us. As a result of your input, Badger received the coveted **Supplier Excellence Award** at the May 2008 Casting Expo in Atlanta Georgia.

We feel honored to have received this award and would like to share it with the rest of the industry. Just click here or on the left sidebar button.

Everyone is going through difficult times now. We receive calls every week concerning companies that are going out of business or someone has lost their job as a result.

Many of you use our web site as a resource. We will soon add a new section on our links page that addresses this need. **Click here** or on the sidebar button. On this page will be a link that lists those individuals that have had this happen to them and contacted us looking for a continuing career in die casting.

If you know of any job openings at your company or at other locations, there will be contact information on individuals along with other information. if you know of anyone that lost their job, tell them to get in touch with us.

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Some of our customers in the field have been combining the benefits of our **MetaLife®** and **ThermalLife®** processes for several years now.

One question we are frequently asked is "**How hard is it to weld and polish after these are applied?**"

We recently got our chance to find out. We were asked by a major

We were asked to apply both of our processes in all the known possible combinations with no concern for cosmetic requirements.

The results surprised even us. **Click here** or on the sidebar button for full information on our website.

In short, the die went from being retired, to being put back into normal production. Polishing the castings

OEM, in Milwaukee, to process some used tooling. They have been producing recreational vehicles for over 100 years.

The test involved a "retired" die that had high cosmetic requirements. Because of heat checking and cavitation breakout, it could no longer produce acceptable castings.

after any sequence proved not to be a problem. Welding was no more difficult than on a nitrided surface.

On our website, you will also find compressive curve information on test coupons that were processed in a similar manner and measured with X-Ray diffraction. **Click here** or on the sidebar for more information.



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Defrag your hard drive without installing special or any software.

Everyone knows that computer maintenance such as backing up and disk defragmentation are required maintenance items.

The main reason for not doing these tasks are the inconvenience they present. There is, however, a slick FREE program that makes defragmenting all of your hard drives simple, complete and easy to do.

Do all your drives with one step.

[Click Here](#) to Download

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Since it moves files in small chunks instead of sectors, it is not a resource hog like the Windows program. So even if you do not have much free space on your disk, it works just fine.

To use this program, you download and unzip the program to a folder on your hard drive. Double click it. That's it.

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