

Influential Women Highlights Megan Moore, MBA: Driving Manufacturing Excellence Through Procurement & Collaboration

CANTON, OH, UNITED STATES, August 25, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Combining More Than a Decade of Manufacturing Experience With Supply Chain Expertise, Emotional Intelligence, and a People-Centered Approach to Operational Leadership

Canton, Ohio — Megan Moore, MBA, is a manufacturing professional with extensive experience in procurement, supply chain management, and cross-functional leadership. Currently serving as Purchasing & Inventory Manager at Myers Controlled Power, LLC, Megan oversees strategic sourcing, supplier management, inventory functions, and operational efficiency initiatives, bringing a combination of business expertise, adaptability, and people-centered leadership to the manufacturing sector.



With a career spanning more than a decade, Megan has progressed through roles in purchasing, marketing, and team leadership, developing a broad foundation in both operational and managerial functions within industrial organizations. Her experience has allowed her to understand manufacturing from multiple perspectives while building the communication skills and emotional intelligence necessary to lead effectively across departments.

Megan's leadership philosophy is grounded in listening, empathy, accountability, and authenticity. She believes strong leaders are not necessarily the loudest people in the room but those who are willing to listen first, understand different perspectives, and use that knowledge to make better decisions. Her approach has helped her build strong, high-functioning teams while contributing to more collaborative and inclusive workplace cultures.

Megan began her professional career in 2013 at Anderson International Corporation as a Buyer after earning her Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Kent State University. Her entry into manufacturing was not originally part of a long-term plan, but what began as an unexpected career opportunity quickly developed into a professional passion.

Her early experience in purchasing introduced Megan to the complexities of industrial operations, supplier relationships, and business processes. As her career progressed, Megan expanded her responsibilities into sales and marketing before advancing into leadership positions. Working across different functions provided her with a broader understanding of how departments depend on one another and strengthened her ability to communicate effectively with individuals across an organization.

During this period, Megan benefited from the guidance of senior leaders who recognized her potential and encouraged her professional development. Their mentorship played an important role in helping her recognize her own capabilities and pursue further education.

Megan went on to complete her Master of Business Administration at Baldwin Wallace University, strengthening her knowledge of business strategy, organizational leadership, and management. Her educational background, combined with years of hands-on manufacturing experience, has allowed her to approach operational challenges with both analytical perspective and practical understanding.

Megan attributes much of her success to strong early mentorship, particularly from a leader who saw potential in her before she fully recognized it herself. That experience fundamentally shaped her understanding of leadership and reinforced the importance of listening with the intent to understand rather than simply listening to formulate a response.

Her career also provided opportunities to work across different departments, strengthening her adaptability and communication skills. These experiences taught Megan how to navigate different priorities, understand the perspectives of various teams, and build trust across organizational boundaries.

Emotional intelligence has become one of the most important components of her leadership style. Megan believes that effective leadership requires an understanding of people, not simply processes. She works to create environments where employees feel respected, supported, and confident in their ability to contribute.

Working in traditionally male-dominated environments also helped Megan develop resilience and confidence. Rather than allowing those challenges to limit her, she used them as opportunities to advocate for herself, earn respect through consistency, and develop a leadership style grounded in authenticity and empathy.

The best career advice Megan ever received came from her mentor, Mark Kelly: listen with the intent to understand, not with the intent to respond.

For Megan, that advice was transformative. Early in her career, she recognized how easy it can be for professionals to become focused on crafting their next point, attempting to sound like the smartest person in the room, or trying to prove why they belong at the table. In doing so, people can miss the opportunity to learn from everyone else around them.

Mark Kelly helped Megan recognize that everyone at the table had earned their place and brought unique perspectives and experiences. Instead of concentrating on what to say next, Megan learned the value of allowing others to speak, absorbing their information, and remaining open to having her own thinking challenged.

She came to understand that the strongest voices in a room are not always the loudest. Often, the most effective leaders are those wise enough to listen first and thoughtfully consider what they have heard before responding.

The lesson was especially meaningful for Megan as a 22-year-old professional entering an intimidating environment. Kelly also encouraged Megan to recognize her own value and advocated for her pursuit of an MBA, an experience that further strengthened her skills, confidence, and professional perspective.

Megan is passionate about encouraging young women entering manufacturing and other traditionally male-dominated industries. Her message is direct: do not make yourself smaller.

She believes women should enter professional spaces knowing they belong and should never feel obligated to shrink themselves to make others comfortable. At the same time, Megan encourages young professionals to remain curious and learn from the people around them.

She emphasizes that being new does not mean being incapable. Young professionals may encounter moments when they feel underestimated, but Megan encourages them not to allow those experiences to harden them. Instead, they should let those experiences sharpen their skills, strengthen their confidence, and motivate them to continue growing.

Megan also believes that it is important to be willing to admit when an answer is unknown while remaining eager to find it. To her, humility and confidence are not opposites. The strongest professionals can acknowledge what they do not know while demonstrating the determination to learn.

Most importantly, Megan believes women do not need to become “one of the guys” to succeed. Manufacturing does not need another copy of what already exists. It benefits from different perspectives, different leadership styles, and people willing to raise standards for those who come after them.

She encourages women to take up space, learn everything they can, and support other women whenever possible. Above all, they should remember that they earned the opportunity to be there.

Megan recognizes that manufacturing continues to face significant challenges, particularly ongoing supply chain disruptions and fluctuating material costs. Organizations must also respond quickly to advancements in automation and digital technologies to remain competitive in an increasingly complex environment.

Yet Megan views these challenges as opportunities for meaningful improvement. Advances in technology and evolving supply chain strategies can help manufacturers improve efficiency, reduce waste, enhance production quality, and build stronger operational systems.

She believes the future of manufacturing presents an opportunity to create systems that are more resilient, sustainable, innovative, and adaptable. Professionals who are willing to learn and embrace change will be positioned to help organizations navigate that future.

Beyond operational performance, Megan places significant value on maintaining a healthy work-life balance. She believes balance is essential not only for personal happiness but also for long-term career success.

In demanding professional environments, it can be easy to prioritize productivity at the expense of personal health and relationships. Megan believes that approach can ultimately lead to burnout and negatively affect both professional performance and quality of life outside of work.

Maintaining balance allows individuals to be more present in their professional and personal roles. It creates space for growth beyond work, strengthens mental and emotional resilience, and reinforces the idea that success should not come at the expense of health, happiness, or the people who matter most.

Empathy and emotional intelligence are equally important to Megan. She believes meaningful professional relationships are built through authenticity and trust. As a leader, she strives to create an environment where people feel like they are part of a team and know that she is on their side.

Megan also makes a conscious effort to consider how she wants to be perceived by others and ensures that the qualities she demonstrates are those she respects and admires. This self-awareness allows her to remain intentional about the type of leader she wants to be.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Megan is a proud mother of four boys, a role that continues to inspire and shape her perspective both personally and professionally. Her

family reinforces her belief in the importance of balance, resilience, responsibility, and leading by example.

Today, Megan continues to bring these values into her work at Myers Controlled Power, LLC. Through her expertise in purchasing and inventory management, commitment to operational excellence, and focus on collaborative leadership, she contributes to the continued evolution of modern manufacturing.

Her journey from an unexpected entry into the manufacturing industry to a leadership role reflects the power of mentorship, continuous learning, and the courage to recognize one's own potential. By combining business expertise with empathy and emotional intelligence, Megan Moore is helping demonstrate that effective manufacturing leadership is not only about managing processes—it is about developing people, building trust, embracing change, and creating stronger organizations for the future.

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