



## Parker Packs ‘em In

**Parker products create buzz at 2008 Pack Expo show.**

With 45,000 attendees at this year’s show in Chicago, Pack Expo is unquestionably the leading trade show in the packaging industry. Front and center this year were the products and solutions offered by Parker Hannifin, including human-machine interface (HMI), servo drives with Ethernet-based motion bus, machine control with Ethernet-based motion bus, high-bandwidth servo motors, linear actuators, high-bandwidth linear servo motors and gearheads.



All of the products from Parker’s Electromechanical Automation Division were networked together in the show booth and communicating. In fact, a single ACR9040 was controlling all the motion in the booth, which included 11 axes.

“This was the first time that I recall us having a show demo that integrated everything from visualization right back to mechanics,” says Andy Balderson, product manager.

In addition, we had an XPR PowerStation providing local HMI functions for our popular “Captain Morgan” demo. These screens and data were published from the local XPR06 to a SCADA station running InteractX 3.0, actively demonstrating the “Information Anywhere” capability that Parker’s visualization products provide.

“We also had a great deal of interest in the capabilities of InteractX and Xpress working together to reduce the time and effort required to create SCADA applications,” says Balderson. “And a lot of OEM customers wanted to learn about Xpress’ ability to provide a remote support and diagnostic capability for their machines.” Xpress is Parker’s latest award-winning HMI product, offering an affordable solution for multi-site, multi-station and standalone machine HMI applications where remote control, monitoring and support are desirable.



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