



# Bcmc 2006

## Bigger & Better in Texas!

New year...new theme...  
the best show yet!

by Doug Folker, BCMC 2006 Chair

**T**aking on the role of 2006 BCMC Committee Chair is both challenging and energizing. BCMC just celebrated a record-breaking 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Milwaukee, and it's hard to believe we are already planning our next show in Fort Worth, TX, this October 4-6, 2006. Each month until the show I will set forth in *SBC Magazine* the numerous reasons, in my opinion, to attend or exhibit at the upcoming show.

The 2006 show promises to be as good if not better than the excellent show we had in 2005. Statistics don't lie! There were 1,682 attendees and 980 exhibitors (individuals, not booths!) at BCMC 2005. Of the 155 exhibitor booths, 37 were brand new to the show—a clear record breaker! 90,600 square feet of exhibit space

was filled with products targeting company owners, CEOs, presidents, managers and technicians looking for the latest in technology, automation and other component manufacturer essentials.

The 2006 show is headed to Texas—specifically Fort Worth. The Fort Worth Convention Center is located just 20 minutes from the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport. Downtown Fort Worth has everything you want within walking distance of the con-

vention center and the show hotels. Here you will find a variety of fine restaurants, nightclubs, art museums, theaters and cultural performances—many featuring genuine Texas hospitality.

According to the Fort Worth Convention and Visitors Bureau, their city is where the West began, and it all started in 1849! Over time, Fort Worth became the last major stop on the legendary Chisholm Trail, the dusty path where millions of cattle were driven north to market.

Nowadays, visitors to the west do not need to worry about driving cattle to the market. Today, Fort Worth is ranked as the 19<sup>th</sup> largest city in the United States and boasts a population of more than half a million in the city proper. Fort Worth is repeatedly ranked among the top places in the nation to work, live and do business.

There is something that will appeal to everyone in Fort Worth. So come to BCMC on October 4-6, 2006 where we will be ***Bigger & Better in Texas!*** **SBC**

*Information courtesy of the Fort Worth Convention and Visitors Bureau, [www.fortworth.com](http://www.fortworth.com).*

### at a glance

- ❑ BCMC 2005 was another record breaking show.
- ❑ Doug Folker of Robbins Engineering is the 2006 BCMC Committee chair.
- ❑ The 2006 show will head to Fort Worth, TX on October 4 - 6.
- ❑ The show's theme will be *Bigger and Better in Texas*.

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