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Thanks Kasi,

This is Anthony Mantova for Community Comment. In a few weeks I travel to Anaheim for the music store trade show. Its one of the big things I look forward to every year. Over 90,000 people attend, and there are more than 1500 vendors. The NAMM show--Natl Assoc of Music Merchants is a yearly event where retailers distributors mannies and all the other players come together and talk. The events of the outside world always impact the show and I expect this year wont be any different.

As you view guitar builders from China, Indoensia Vietnam Japan you learn that where a product is made no longer matters. The world world is now making high quality stuff--instead the questions you ask become "is this a look and feel that my customers would want?"

China is no longer synonymous with cheap, in fact I expect China's labor problems to have an effect at the show. You see China now has a middle class and they want to be paid more for their work. As a result other countries are competing for the jobs. It is a lot easier for China's govt to organize and mobilize poor people, but now that the individual has a little more money and sway, the demands are starting to have an effect. In our country we have an opposite problem things have been good for a long time and many people would rather not work while receiving benefits!

The trade show proves that we all benefit from commerce and it shows that while w ehave our own problems most of the world still lags behind. China may own a large chunk of our debt but they don't have the ability to show the world a stable economy. And the only reason the united states holds the worlds currency, is because we are still ahead of everybody else--when it comes to having a stable house to put your money.

We lost a lot of opportunity and indeed we lost our way with Barack Obama, a fool whose legacy will be that of pushing stale marxist theories in the modern world. nationalizing our health care system and perhaps the worst thing of al: Obama tried really hard to make us give up on our country.

Thankfully there is still time. We have a President who can make the most of impending Bankruptcy.

The answers for recovery lie where they always have. We need to cut regulations, encourage businesses to blossom, and need to get back to putting more distance behind all the competition

This has been Anthony Mantova with your community comment
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