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2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

May 28, 2015

Golf Outing at Deer Creek (see right)

July 23-25, 2015

KC/St. Louis Summer Meeting (See website & insert for costs & details)

September 24, 2015

Shop Meeting TBA

October 21-24

NTMA Fall Conference in St. Louis

December 5, 2015

Christmas Party

**May 28th (Thursday)
KC NTMA Scholarship Golf
Tournament @ Deer Creek**

7000 W 133rd St., Overland Park KS 66209

4 person scramble

\$100/player

**Includes golf, cart, lunch sancks and
awards**

7:00 Registration

8:00 Modified Shot Gun Start

Awards & Lunch following golf

Benefits the chapter scholarship fund

1st NRL Competition Held at Olathe NW



Above: Robots battling at the NTMA's NRL competition.

The Kansas City Chapter hosted it first National Robotic League (NRL) competition on March 28th at Olathe Northwest High School.

Five teams had built robots for the competition. The arena built by the chapter was used for the first time at this event.

A crowd of over 200 gathered to watch the robots compete in multiple rounds.

NRL is sponsored by the national NTMA with the goal of getting students interested in careers in manufacturing.

Photos and videos from the event are also available at the chapter's website www.kcntma.org.

**For Reservations or Information about meetings/
events contact: Torree Pederson**

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EMJ Installs 3rd Hautau System

EMJ, a full-line steel service center, has installed its third Hautau CNC tube cutting system, an RC30 model, in its Kansas City facility.

The ISO-certified company handles more than 40,000 sizes, shapes and grades of tubing, pipe and specialty products in carbon and alloy steel, stainless steel, aluminum, bronze, brass and cast iron. First process cutting and sawing (including miter cutting and circular cold sawing) are also offered.

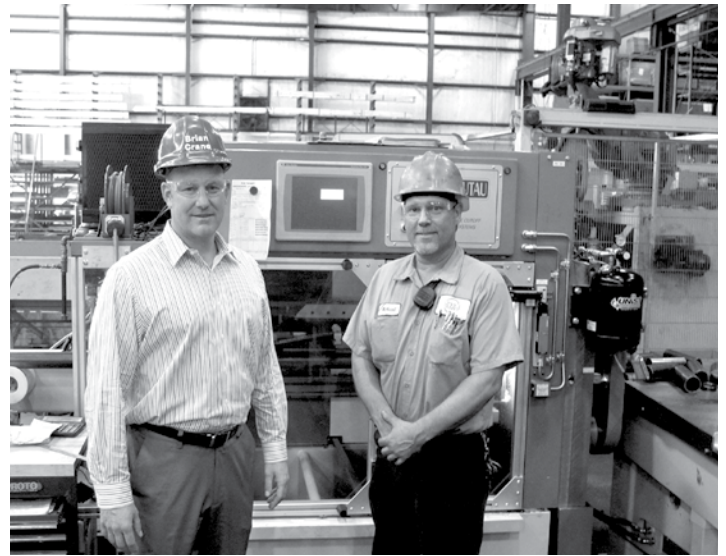
The Kansas City facility, one of 35 centers across North America, serves Kansas, western Missouri, Nebraska and south-west Iowa. It has 17 sales representatives (11 inside and 6 outside).

The third Hautau CNC tube cutoff system was needed to keep up with customer demand and to handle larger tube. It can cut tube up to 3.25" in diameter with 7/8" walls. It can also chamfer the ID and OD edges on both ends. "The third Hautau expands our capacity and allows us more flexibility," noted Brian Crane, general sales manager.

"Combining our 17 saws and two tube lasers we are able to offer a wide variety of first process capacities and capabilities," noted David Baltuska, general manager. "The third Hautau CNC saw will help us meet our customers' needs."

EMJ (Jorgensen Steel and Aluminum) was founded in 1924 and has been in the KC area for over 46 years.

The company can be contacted at: (816) 483-4140; Fax (816) 241-1020; www.emjmetals.com; 1800 North Universal Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64120.



Above: EMJ-KC's Brian Crane & Rich Meyer with a new Hautau tube-cutting system.

Chapter Holds Roundtable Luncheon at Hartwig-KC



Above: Part of the attendees at the NTMA roundtable held at Hartwig-KC's facility on March 24th.

The Kansas City Chapter hosted an owner/principal roundtable at Hartwig-KC's facility on March 24th. Over 20 attended the event and discussed such topics as employee recruiting/retention, OSHA, EPA, health insurance and many other subjects.

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Chapter Tours Vista Mfg. & A&E Custom Mfg. Technologies & Hears From Economist

The Kansas City Chapter toured NTMA members Vista Mfg. and A&E Custom Mfg. Technologies in Kansas City, Kansas on April 16th. Over 80 attended the event.

Vista, a 40-year-old firm offers precision sheet metal fabrication, CNC machining, industrial electronics and mechanical assembly.

A&E, a 55-year-old firm, offers a wide range of manufacturing services including: metal stamping; CNC turret punching; laser cutting; tooling & machining; metal fabrication; wire EDM; Mig & Tig & resistance welding; assembly and packaging.



Above: KC NTMA members tour A&E Custom Mfg. Technologies.



Above: Chris Kuehl speaking.

After the tours a dinner was held at the Argosy Hotel where economist Chris



Above: Some of the audience at the dinner after the tours in April.

Kuehl brought the group up to speed on economic trends impacting manufacturing.

He discussed credit conditions, trends in numerous sectors, capital

spending, international events, the health of social security and the national debt.

Photos from the event are on this page and are also available at the chapter's website www.kcntma.org.

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Wise Chips:

“Multitasking: screwing up several things at the same time.”

“The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that it has never tried to contact us.”

Calvin & Hobbes

Marketing Opportunity

In order to make more activities of the chapter financially self-sufficient, business-card size ads are being accepted to offset the cost of the Chips ‘N Comments newsletter.

This is a great opportunity for members and associate members to gain exposure for their goods and services to more than 200 members and prospective members, as well as support the NTMA. (See examples inside).

Business card ads cost \$125 per issue (three minimum). The newsletter is published 5 to 6 times a year. Members and associate members receive priority for the limited spots that are available. For more information, contact Torree at: 816-739-4422 • execdir@kcntma.org

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