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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 19th (Thursday)

Shop Meeting at Accessible Technologies (see right)

Oct 16-19

National Fall Conference, Boston, MA

Dec 7th (Saturday)

Christmas Party at Plaza III

Fairbanks Retiring



Above (l-r): Dianne and Kenton Fairbanks.

After more than 40 years in business across two generations, Dianne and Kenton Fairbanks are retiring and have closed Fairbanks Machine & Tool in Raytown. Dianne served as Chapter Secretary for many years.

All of the firm's equipment is sold and the building is up for sale. The Fairbanks wish to thank all their loyal customers they have served over the years.

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

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**Shop Meeting:
September 19th (Thursday)
Accessible Technologies
14801 W 114th Terrace
Lenexa KS 66215
www.procharger.com**

**6:00 PM Networking Reception
and Tours**

7:00 PM Dinner (Oklahoma Joe's)

7:30 PM Speaker

Josh Boggess of Fisher/Unitech on

"3D Printing Technology"

\$35 per person

Contact Torree for more information!

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EMJ-KC Installs Second Hautau CNC Tube Cutting System

EMJ, a full-line steel service center, has installed its second Hautau CNC tube cutting system, an RC70 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 and cast iron. First process cutting, shearing and 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 19 sales representatives (11 inside and 6 outside).

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

"Combining our 16 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 second Hautau CNC saw expands our capabilities even more."

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 Mike Nowman & Brian Crane.



Above: The new Hautau RC70 CNC tube cutting system at EMJ-KC. It can cut tube up to 7" in diameter with 7/8" walls.

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Summer Meeting A Great Success

The St. Louis and Kansas City Chapters of the National Tooling & Machining Association (NTMA) held their annual joint summer conference at the Chateau on the Lake in Branson, Missouri, on July 26-27.

Sponsors of the conference included Federated Insurance, CliftonLarsonAllen, Paulo Products and J&S Tool.

Friday afternoon started off with presentations from a team of experts on a wide range of topics. These included: Economist Chris Kuehl of Armada Corporate Intelligence on economic trends impacting manufacturing; Erik Skie, CliftonLarsonAllen on strategies for manufacturers and Belinda Waggoner of hr-haven on workforce and HR issues.

A two-hour industry roundtable was then held. It was facilitated by a team from the Quality Coach consultants of Washington, Missouri. Topics covered during the roundtable included: employee compensation & benefits; how to handle the new healthcare law; industry best practices and workforce training/readiness. Notes from the roundtable were distributed to attendees.

Friday night featured a social mixer/dinner and a concert at the Dick Clark Theater.

The Saturday dinner featured presentations by NTMA national Chairman Bob Mosey and NTMA national President David Tilstone. They spoke about the different programs offered by the NTMA and the importance of technology in manufacturing. The audience at the dinner was brought up to speed



Above (l-r): St. Louis NTMA's Herb Homeyer, NTMA President David Tilstone, KC NTMA's Jon Jaixen and NTMA Chair Bob Mosey at the joint Lake Meeting. Below: One of several round table discussions held during the Friday meetings.



on NTMA developments and encouraged to attend national meetings. More pictures from the event can be found on the chapter's website.



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“As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind... every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder.”

John Glenn

“A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always count on the support of Paul.”

George Bernard Shaw

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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