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Chips 'N Comments

2011 Upcoming Events

- January 25*..... Member Round Table
- Feb. 17* Shop Meeting @ Creative Blow Mold
- March 3-6*..... NTMA National Convention
- March 22*.....Membership Luncheon
- April 19* Shop Meeting @Technics 2000
- May 10*..... Golf Outing
- June 22*..... SkillsUSA Dinner
- July 29-30* ... KC-St. Louis Branson Meeting
- Sept 22*..... Shop Meeting @ Clay & Bailey
- October 12-16*.... National Fall Conference
- December 3*Christmas Party

Member Roundtable

**Jan 25th (Tues) Blue Valley Center for
Advanced Professional Studies
151st & Metcalf • 7501 W 149th Terrace
6:00 • \$20 for Jack Stack BBQ**

**Send your Managers & Supervisors!
Happy Hour at Tanner's Bar & Grill
Before 5-6PM 143rd & Metcalf**

**Send in your concerns, issues and ideas
ahead of time! RSVP by Friday Jan 21st**

Chapter Holds Christmas Party



Above: Part of the crowd at the chapter Christmas Party.

The chapter held its annual Christmas Part at the Ameristar Casino in Kansas City on December 4th.

Highlights of the evening included installing Mike Hudson, Heartland Fabrication and Machine, as the new chapter president for 2011 and recognizing 2010 president, Dean Rohr, R&D Leverage, for his contributions to the chapter. (Photos Continued on page 3)



Above (l-r): New President Mike Hudson is installed by outgoing President Dean Rohr at the Christmas Party

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Hartwig Celebrates 50th Anniversary



Above (l-r): Hartwig's Geoff Hartwig, Gary Hartwig & Greg Hartwig.

St. Louis-based Hartwig is marking its 50-year anniversary.

Fifty years and 11,000 machines since its start, Hartwig today employs more than 120 people in eight office locations, and serves 15 states in the Mountain and Midwest U.S. Founded by former tool and die maker Paul Hartwig and his wife Juanita in 1960, the company serves a diverse customer base of more than 4,000 manufacturers producing everything from tiny medical parts to giant aerospace components.

The company can be contacted at: www.hartwiginc.com.

Reardon Celebrates 35th Anniversary



Above (l-r): Reardon Machine's Kelly Houston, Karen Reardon, Joe Reardon and J.P. Reardon.

Reardon Machine Company, St. Joseph, Missouri, is celebrating its 35th anniversary.

The ISO 9001:2008-certified company produces precision machined parts, tooling and machinery. It also repairs and modifies tooling and machinery.

The family-owned firm was started by Joe Reardon as the sole employee in 1975 in a 5,000-sq.-ft. facility.

Today the company operates in a 35,000-sq.-ft. plant with 25 employees. Reardon's wife, (Karen) son (J.P.) and daughter (Kelly Houston) are heavily involved in the day to day operation of the business. The four of them combine for over 100 years of experience at the firm.

Reardon Machine has an extensive assortment of manual and CNC equipment at its facility.

Services offered by Reardon Machine include: CNC vertical and horizontal milling (3,4, & 5-axis capabilities up to a 4' cube capacity); CNC turning (60" diameter by 18' in length); EDM (wire and sinker) work; grinding (centerless, surface, rotary and reciprocal); stamping (2-56 ton); computer aided design, drafting and layout; control systems integration and the design and construction of tooling and special application equipment (processing, assembly and packaging).

The company also has equipment on site for welding, sawing, punching, heat treating, bead blasting and vibratory finishing.

Materials used at the firm include: stainless steel, tooling steel, carbon steel, aluminum, titanium and plastics.

Industries served by the company include: agriculture; animal health & science; commercial food; pet food; energy; petroleum; transportation; wire rope and many others.

"Quality parts and on-time delivery are the key to our business," commented Joe Reardon, a 40+ year industry veteran. "Combine those with our commitment to our customers and you have the reason for our success."

Karen Reardon also noted that having a diverse nationwide customer base has also been important to the company's growth.

Reardon Machine Company, Inc. can be contacted at: (816) 279-0906; Fax (816) 279-1437; 5015 SE 169 Highway, St. Joseph, Missouri 64507; contact@reardonmachine.com; www.reardonmachine.com.

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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.

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