

SME Chapter 57 Kansas City Newsletter October 2022



<u>Our Mission</u>: "Provide professional development opportunities to our chapter members through SME sponsored plant tours, networking events and board leadership. Promote manufacturing as a career path to high school students and college students through our scholarship programs."

Chapter 57 Receives 2022 Platinum Status

Chapter 57 achieved Platinum Chapter Status for 2022, SME's highest chapter status. This status is obtained through the involvement of its members, student chapters, and the manufacturing community. Thank you to everyone who has participated in chapter events or been involved in our chapter. We could not have received this status without your contributions! Chapter 57 is currently on track to maintain this status into 2023.



Chapter Events Reminder



Our Events Coordinator, Ramona Rieger, does a fantastic job coordinating our facility tours for our members. This is a reminder that SME Chapter 57 tours are not meant for soliciting. If you wish to pursue business opportunities with a particular organization, please leave a business card with the tour facilitator to continue the conversation outside the chapter event. Our facility tours are designed to engage chapter members by showcasing various manufacturing plants in the Kansas City area. Please respect the time and effort put forward by the manufacturer and Chapter 57 members by not soliciting. Any questions may be directed to Ramona Rieger (RRieger@conveyorsolutions.com) or Ethan Dunn (edunn@ucompli.com)

2022 SME EF Chapter 57 Scholarship Awarded

The SME Education Foundation has awarded the Chapter 57 – Kansas City Scholarship to Garyn Carl. Garyn was awarded a \$1,300 scholarship from the program.

Garyn Carl is studying Mechanical Engineering Technology with an emphasis on product design at the University of Central Missouri. His expected graduation date is May 2024. Garyn is the 2022-2023 Chair of the SME UCM Student Chapter, sponsored by Chapter 57.

He is a project engineer with the NASA Human Exploration Rover Challenge. His role includes progress reports, design, fabrication, and team assignments. He will be the 2022-20223 team leader with a goal of improving their ranking at the annual competition. Garyn also completed internships at Webco Manufacturing, where he was a metal fabricator, and at Black & Veatch, where he worked on Civil 3D projects. After completing his degree, he will return to Black & Veatch full-time.

Congratulation, Garyn, and thank you for your involvement in the UCM SME Student

Chapter! The Chapter 57 – Kansas City Scholarship has been made possible through a generous endowment by Webco Manufacturing through the SME Education Foundation. Thank you to Webco for your continued support of Chapter 57!



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LMV Tour



A big thank you to LMV for hosting our September tour. LMV showcased its manufacturing lines and its workforce development program, Project MOST. Thank you to Brian Crawley and Ramona Rieger for making this event possible!

Chapter 57 High School Scholarship Program

The 2022 Chapter 57 High School scholarship program application will go live soon. Chapter 57 awards two \$1,000 scholarships to students entering a STEM or manufacturing-related field. Applications will be open for a month, with the recipients being announced at the annual holiday party in December. If you would like to receive more information about the scholarship, please contact Ethan Dunn (edunn@ucompli.com)

SME Membership Renewal

As a reminder, your SME membership is typically in effect for one year, depending on the timeframe you selected when first joining. We encourage you to periodically check your membership renewal dates to have sufficient time to renew before it expires. Thank you in advance for your renewed SME Membership and especially for your involvement and investment in time and energy! Have questions about membership? Contact email Chapter 57 at smechapter57@qmail.com.



Upcoming Chapter Events

October/November - Tour of Holladay Distillery

Join Chapter 57 for a tour of Holladay Distillery in Weston, MO. This tour is a fundraising effort for the chapter scholarship program. A registration link will be sent shortly. Hope to see you there!

December – Annual Holiday Party

Join SME Chapter 57 as we celebrate the accomplishments of 2022 and award our scholarships to two deserving high school students. More details to come!