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KANSAS CITY SECTION NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Welcome to our first ASEM - Kansas City Section Newsletter!

The goal of this publication will be to notify our members (and potential members) of upcoming activities, committee reports, and any other items of interest. The newsletter will also have a "Spotlight on a Member" section. The editor will send out a survey to our members and publish a profile on each of our members throughout the year.

There are several objectives I have for my year as president.

1. Communication. Every successful organization has a way of communicating with their members, either through a website or newsletter.
2. Community Service. ASEM will be working with a local charity such as Harvesters Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, or Christmas in October. If anyone has any ideas for other charities, please let me know.
3. Community Outreach. ASEM will be working with civic organizations such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or Elementary Schools. Again, if anyone has any ideas for organizations, please let me know.

Here is a little bit of history... Our section was chartered in April 2003 with 22 members. Two years later, our section has grown to close 35 members. Our section has also won the National Award for the "Outstanding ASEM Local Section" for 2003 and 2004. In October 2004, Cliff Cross won the National Award for the "Outstanding Local President" at the Annual ASEM Conference. Aaron Henton and Cliff Cross, our two past local presidents, have done an excellent job leading our group and have set the bar pretty high.

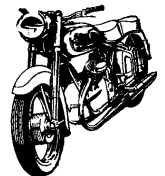
This year's Board Members include:

Alysen Abel – President
David Brackey – Vice President
Kelli Wade – Secretary /Treasurer
Cliff Cross – Immediate Past President
Aaron Henton – Membership Committee Chair & Newsletter Editor
John Vann – Program Committee Chair & JEC Representative

I have the privilege to work with a board of hardworking individuals. I am looking forward to a successful year for ASEM.

Alysen Abel
ASEM-KC President

ASEM-KC April Meeting



Harley Time!

What: ASEM Tour of the Harley Davidson Plant

When: Thursday, April 21st, 10:30AM

CHECK-IN at 10:15AM

Where: Harley Davidson Plant, 11401 N. Congress, Kansas City, MO

Important!!!! No open-toes shoes, no cameras. ID is required for the tour.

RSVP to Kelli Wade kwade@cerner.com by Monday, April 18th.

[ASEM Happy Hour](#)

On Thursday, March 24th, several ASEM members and guests enjoyed brews and basketball at the Longbranch Saloon in Overland Park. Everyone braved the 87th street construction in order to socialize and watch the tournament. Potential members from IBM, Cerner, and the EMGT program joined the ASEM gang for the festivities.

[ASEM Family Picnic](#)

Keep Sunday, May 15th open on your calendar for the annual ASEM Family Picnic. Details coming soon...

[ASEM National](#)

Please be sure to visit www.asem.org for all the news and information from national.

[New Members](#)

New members in 2005:

Raymond Martin

Daryl Farr

Good to have you in ASEM!



[Want to be a Webmaster?](#)

ASEM-KC is looking for a webmaster to manage our local section website. If you're interested, contact Madame Prez, Alysén Abel.

[ASEM-ASQ Joint Meeting](#)

On February 19, 2005, ASEM held a joint meeting with ASQ (American Society for Quality). Our own Cliff Cross was the featured speaker, delivering an address titled "Use of Statistical Process Control (SPC) to Analyze Data and Control Processes". The Saturday morning event drew over 30 people from ASEM and ASQ.



[Newsletter Ideas?](#)

Any ideas, articles, or news for the newsletter? Send them to aaron.henton@cerner.com. Thanks!

[ASEM-KC Calendar](#)

April 12	Board Meeting
April 21	Harley Davidson Tour
May 10	Board Meeting
May 15	<i>ASEM Family Picnic !!!</i>

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Thought for the day:

"The leaders who work most effectively, it seems to me, never say 'I'. And that's not because they have trained themselves not to say 'I'. They don't think 'I'. They think 'we'; they think 'team'. They understand their job to be to make the team function. They accept responsibility and don't sidestep it, but 'we' gets the credit.... This is what creates trust, what enables you to get the task done." - [Peter Drucker](#)