



## KANSAS CITY SECTION NEWSLETTER

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### President's Message

"There is no 'I' in TEAM." This is very true, in both our personal and professional life. At home, you may have a supporting spouse to help out around the house and help with the kids. At work, you may have a supporting project team to make the project manager's efforts seem seamless. This can also be applied to ASEM. The board members, committee chairs, and active members help to make my job as President very enjoyable.

On Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, several members and guests attended the Harley Davidson Tour in North Kansas City Missouri. Everyone came out of the tour wanting to purchase a Harley, unfortunately no discounts were offered. After the tour, some of the members and guests went to lunch together before heading back to work. A special thanks goes out to Kelli Wade and Aaron Henton for helping with the tour. This was a great example of supporting team members.

On Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, ASEM will have their annual Family Picnic. This year, we will be shaking things up a bit. ASEM has reserved lanes at the Northland Bowling Alley at 2pm. Next door to the bowling alley is a Family Fun Center with Miniature Golf and Go-Carts. After the bowling-extravaganza, everyone will meet at Chappell's for dinner. There will be plenty of activities for kids of all ages. Notices about this event will be out soon.

Alysen Abel  
ASEM-KC President

### ASEM-KC May Meeting

## Family Fun Day!



What: ASEM Family Fun Day  
When: Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 5:00PM  
Where: AMF Pro Bowl Lanes and Family Fun Center  
505 E. 18<sup>th</sup> Ave, North Kansas City, MO  
Dinner at Chappell's following...

Bowling Lanes are reserved from 2:00 – 4:00PM

RSVP to Kelli Wade [kwade@cerner.com](mailto:kwade@cerner.com) by Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>



ASEM will provide \$5 per person for your bowling and food & beverages.

← Cliff?

### ASEM National

Please be sure to visit [www.asem.org](http://www.asem.org) for all the news and information from national.

### New Members

New members in 2005:

Michelle Jones

Scott Tener

Sin-Yee Tan

Phillip Thatcher

Good to have you in ASEM!



## ASQ-ASEM Tour Opportunity

Tour of Sealed Air/Cryovac in St. Joseph, Missouri

ASQ1301 Plant Tour Offering  
Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> 1:30 PM

Host: Lou Dreon

When making reservations include:  
Your name, place of employment, position in your company, and e-mail address.  
Competitors of Sealed Air, or Cryovac will not be permitted to tour the facility.

2313 Lower Lake Road  
St. Joseph, MO 64504

### Directions:

Take I 29 North.  
Take exit #43 onto I229 North (Toward St. Joseph).  
Take exit #1D (MO 752).  
MO 752 turns in to Alabama St..  
Cross US 59 highway.  
Turn right on Industrial Ave. (Ventura Foods Plant is on right)  
follow to end (Tee in road) Turn left on Lower Lake Rd. Sealed Air/Cryovac is about a half a mile on right (Johnson Controls and Smurfit Stone are just past our facility).

Reservations:  
Heather McCain - (816)274-8337:  
e-mail - HeatherMcC@aol.com

**Please make your reservation by 5-31-05**

## ASEM-KC Calendar

May 10	Board Meeting – Danny's Big Easy, 1610 Main, KC MO
May 15	<i>ASEM Family Fun Day!!!</i>
June 7	Board Meeting
June 15	ASEM General Meeting

## 2005 ASEM-KC Officers

### President

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## WEBSITES

### ASEM National

<http://www.asem.org>

### ASEM-KC WEBSITE

<http://emgt.ku.edu/asem>

### JEC WEBSITE

<http://www.jec-kc.com>

## Member Spotlight

A regular feature of the ASEM Newsletter....

May 2005 Spotlight: Aaron Henton (your humble newsletter editor)

**Employment:** Director, Cerner Corporation. Employed at Cerner since 1986

**ASEM History:** Member since inception of local section in 2003. President, 2003. Member Chair, Newsletter Editor, 2005.

**Education:** BS COMPSCI, Kansas State Univ, 1986  
MS EMGT, Univ. of Kansas 2003

### Family

Married to Susie for 18 years. She teaches 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade at St. Charles School. Five children: Lauren – 17, Alex – 15, Rebecca – 10 (almost), Paul – 7, Audrey – 3. Dog – Bonnie. Various other critters – fish, hermit crabs, gerbils.

### Activities Outside of Work

Cub Scout Leader, Oak Park Band Parents Association  
Board Member, ASEM, reading, playing with the kids

### Favorite Book, Movie, Music, Food, or anything else:

Authors: Joyce Carol Oates, T.C. Boyle, Jasper Fforde, Jim Lehrer. Movies: Fargo, Blood Simple, Monty Python, Lord of the Rings. Food: Darned near anything, but especially cajun/creole and BBQ.

### Thought for the day:

"Live as if you were living a second time, and as though you had acted wrongly the first time."

Viktor Frankl