



# Palmyra Chamber of Commerce Chamber News

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## NORTHEAST MISSOURI MACHINE & PATTERN

*"Nothing we can't build or fix."*

Northeast Missouri Machine & Pattern has been serving Palmyra, Missouri and the surrounding areas for 40 years. In January 1974, Randall and Norma Smyser purchased the Roy Davis Machine Shop located at 715 S. Spring St. in Palmyra. Randy was working as a foreman in the Pattern Shop at Gardner Denver in Quincy, Illinois and after 17 years, he felt it was time to start his own business. Norma started working full time in the business office in 1976. Kyle and Teresa Smyser, a son and daughter-in-law are still with them today, Kyle joining them in 1987 and Teresa in 2004.



Dustin Bock - Hand Polishing & Finishing a Mold

Northeast Missouri Machine & Pattern has grown from a "Fix Anything" Job Shop to a Machine Shop specializing in Rubber Compression and Injection Molds. In 1988, Randy spearheaded his first major mold, weighing about 15,000 lbs., for Pearl Harbor Dry Dock #1. Shortly thereafter, the company undertook another major project, a compression mold for a seal for the Garrison Dam on the Missouri River in North Dakota.

The establishment has flourished, producing several dry dock molds including Boston Harbor, Norfolk Virginia and Pearl Harbor. Northeast Missouri Machine & Pattern has undergone four expansions of the original one room Job Shop to accommodate work load and equipment. However, management continues to maintain the Job Shop reputation with local farmers and businesses within a 100 mile radius, always willing to find time to stop what they're doing and fix what needs fixing.

Owner Randy Smyser truly believes, "You are only as good as the people who work for you." Randy, his wife Norma and 12 employees work at the business. Jim Frame - 39 yrs, Roger Foster - 35 yrs, Kyle Smyser - 27 yrs, Kevin Gosney - 26 yrs, Raymond Inlow - 25 yrs, Ed Anderson - 24 yrs, Rob Mudd - 17 yrs, Mike Rosendale - 13 yrs, Teresa Smyser - 10 yrs, Don Boden - 2 yrs, Travis Wehener - 1 yr and Dustin Bock - 9 months. Randy's son, Kyle Smyser, bids most of the jobs and supervises. He loves his work because, "you never know what's going to happen during the day."

Employees run such equipment as lathes, mills, presses, and grinders as well as CNC machines. One lathe is an original piece of shop equipment that was brought down Main Street on wooden skids by horses! Manual mills are still used for small jobs, while CNC lathes and mills are used for larger ones. CNC is the abbreviation for Computer Numerical Control; in modern CNC systems, computers play an integral part of the control.

Services include welding, machine work, pattern making, metal fabrication, mold making, and full CNC service. Northeast Missouri Machine & Pattern specializes in making injection and compression molding for the Rubber Industry. From as simple and small as a bumper on a bumper car to the Rubber Latch on the Hood of a Kenworth Truck, to as complex as a Blower Hose on a Mack Truck, to as large and intricate as a Dry Dock seal for Pearl Harbor or the complete Gate Seal for the Garrison Dam, Northeast Missouri Machine and Pattern does it all.. Work can range from a week's worth to several months with machines running 24/7. After machining, all molds require extensive hand polishing to finish.

Northeast Missouri Machine & Pattern's goal is to provide exceptional work for anyone who has an idea. Satisfied customers include Buckhorn, Seals Unlimited, BASF, Central Stone, Watlow, Cosmoflex, Cerro Flow, area farmers and private contractors as well. With quality services and a name you can trust, you're sure to get what you're looking for.



Fadal Vertical Machining Center



Above: Foster Boot Mold, Mass Transit Rail Head.



Right: Injection Mold.



Front Row: Teresa Smyser, Norma Smyser  
2nd Row: Mike Rosendale, Randy Smyser, Don Boden, Travis Wehner  
3rd Row: Dustin Bock, Raymond Inlow, Rob Mudd, Jim Frame  
Back Row: Kyle Smyser, Kevin Gosney, Roger Foster

# Chamber Briefs...

Because of the Veteran's Day Holiday, the Palmyra Chamber of Commerce held its monthly meeting Wednesday, November 12 at the VFW Hall, one day later than usual this month. President Michelle Merkel welcomed everyone including FBLA members Alexandria Barns and Scarlett McMullen. Taste of Palmyra had another good year; Chairperson Merkel thanked everyone in the community for their support.

## CHRISTMAS IN PALMYRA

Christmas in Palmyra will be held Monday, December 1 from 5:30-8 p.m. A Christmas parade down Main Street will begin at 6 p.m.; anyone interested in participating should contact Nancy Goellner at HOMEBANK at 769-2001. There will be a wreath, basket and mini-tree live auction at 7:30 p.m. at the Marion County Courthouse in Palmyra, followed by a drawing to win the \$200, \$300, and \$500 cash prizes that the Chamber is giving away at City Hall. Tickets for the drawing will be given at participating Chamber businesses. Contact the Chamber Office to get involved: 573-769-0777. Watch the Palmyra Spectator and check Palmyra MO Chamber of Commerce on Facebook for updates!



## DECEMBER MEETING

The December Chamber meeting will be held Tuesday, December 9. Chris Hull, Officer in Charge of the Palmyra Post Office will present a program on Every Door Direct Mail and how it can help your business. The public is invited.

## ANNUAL CHAMBER BANQUET

January 8, 2015 will be the date for the Annual Chamber Banquet Meeting. Nominations for the Annual awards are being solicited and should be sent to the Chamber office (P.O. Box 446, Palmyra, MO 63461; palmyrachamber@gmail.com). See accompanying piece for details. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, December 17.

## CHIEF EDDIE BOGUE SHARES NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT PLANS

Palmyra Police Chief Eddie Bogue updated Chamber members on the status of the plans for the new Palmyra Police Station. Chief Bogue has been with the department almost seven years and served in the profession for twenty-seven years. The current police station is housed in what was once Dr. Wells' office, a 650 ft. space on Olive Street behind City Hall. A needs study completed in June 2013 ranked only one area of the current facility as "adequate:" proximity to a government building. Plans for the new building, a 3100 ft. structure which will be located on Main Street across from F&M Bank, will include a camera system, secured parking, a sally port (a secure, controlled entryway), and booking and interrogation rooms. Chief Bogue stressed that the plans had been reworked many times in order to keep the project "frugal." However, the new station's appearance will reflect the pride Palmyra has in its community. Bids will be due December 4; because of the nature of the project, the city will be required to pay prevailing wage. If all goes well, the Palmyra Police Department will have a new home this time next year.

## ANNUAL CHAMBER AWARDS

There's still time to complete your nominations for the following awards: Citizen of the Year, Educator of the Year, Paint Brush Award, Volunteer of the Year, and the Business Hall of Fame! The Paint Brush Award is for a business that has really improved its looks and added that "something extra" to our community. Nominations for Educator of the Year don't have to be for a teacher but may be for any individual who positively guides youth or trains others. Nomination letters should not only explain why a person is qualified but also contain a brief history of an individual's work background and involvement in civic and social organizations. Hurry: The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, December 17. Send your nominations to the Chamber office at P.O. Box 446, Palmyra, MO 63461 or palmyrachamber@gmail.com.



## upcoming events CALENDAR

### Nov. 29 - Dec. 20

Ride the fire truck with Santa every Saturday  
1 - 2 p.m. ~ Bring a food item for the Food Pantry

## Monday, December 1

Christmas in Palmyra 5:30-8 p.m.

5:30-7:30 pm Participating Chamber Businesses  
handing out Drawing Tickets

6:00 pm Christmas Parade down Main Street

6:30 pm Jr. Singers perform at Courthouse

6:30-7:30 pm Santa Comes To Town ... Courthouse

7:30 pm Auction at Courthouse

8:00 pm Drawing at City Hall for \$200, \$300,  
\$500 CASH Prizes

**How to enter to WIN:** Individuals 18 & older may go to participating businesses on Mon., Dec. 1 between 5:30 - 7:30 pm to get one ticket for the CASH drawing at each location. Deposit tickets in the bucket at City Hall by 7:45 pm. Must be present to win.

Participating Chamber Businesses: City Hall, C&R, County Market, Crystal's Liquidation, Flower City Florist, Kerley's Grill, Palmyra Spectator, Schoenborn Tax Service, SSD Build.

## Sunday, December 7

MS Band/Choir Christmas Concert,  
Palmyra Middle School, 2 p.m.

## Sunday, December 14

HS Band/Choir Christmas Concert,  
Palmyra Middle School, 2 p.m.

## Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015 Annual Chamber Meeting

UPCOMING MEETING DATES & PROGRAMS  
YOUR NEXT CHAMBER MEETING IS NOON

### Tues. Dec. 9, 2014 • VFW Hall

Guest Speaker: Chris Hull, Officer in Charge of the Palmyra Post Office, will present a program on Every Door Direct Mail and how it can help your business. The public is invited.

### Thursday, January 8, 2015

Annual Chamber Meeting & Banquet  
Social - 6 p.m. Dinner - 6:30 p.m.  
Msgr. Farischon Hall  
Tickets \$15 in advance (by Dec. 30)  
\$20 at the door

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