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Photos, Top, L-R: Creative Blow Mold Tooling's Jim Hensiek & Brandon Bohning. An injection molder at Ruco Products. Allied Plastic Supply's Joe Wolf. Inventory in the new expansion at Laird Plastics-KC. Bottom L-R: Tyler Owen & Keith Siebels at PVS Metals' new 200,000-sq.-ft. facility. NTMA National Chair Herb Homeyer speaking at the national fall conference in St. Louis.

**Creative Blow Mold Tooling, Lee's Summit, MO, Installs Haas 5-axis Machining Center
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Creative Blow Mold Tooling Installs Haas UMC-750 5-axis Machining Center

Creative Blow Mold Tooling, Lee's Summit, Missouri, has recently installed a new Haas UMC-750 5-axis machining center. The 31-year-old firm specializes in the design, manufacture and repair of tooling for the blow mold industry across North America. It can handle rigid container and PET projects ranging from 4-ounce bottles to 5-gallon containers. Creative also builds blow molds for industrial applications.

The new UMC-750 (the company's 16th Haas) was purchased to help improve the company's efficiency through reduced set-ups/set-up time, improved cycle times, tooling efficiencies and faster delivery times. It also enables the firm to handle more complex parts and expand its capabilities beyond mold manufacturing. "The Haas equipment is reliable and their service has met our needs. We are looking forward to the 5-axis' impact on our efficiency and capabilities," stated Creative's Michael Bohning.

The UMC-750 features: 30" x 20" x 20" capacity; a 40-taper, 8100 rpm direct-drive spindle and 41-tool changer.

Creative Blow Mold Tooling serves a wide range of industries including: food/beverage; automo-



Above: A Haas UMC-750 5-Axis machining center at Creative Blow Mold. Find video at the company's website: <http://creativeblowmold.com/5-axis-machining-advanced-technology/>



Above: Samples of the UMC-750's work at Creative Blow Mold Tooling.

otive; consumer goods; household chemicals and many more. Its 35 employees work in a 20,000-sq.-ft. facility with 19 vertical/horizontal machining centers, a full assortment of manual equipment

and a quality lab.

Creative's Jim Hensiek, director of business development, noted that a key focus is building strong customer relationships that help the client starting with the initial stages of product development all the way through final production. "We work to be an important part of the customer's supply chain to help them reach the goal of being first to market," commented Hensiek. "Our motto is, 'We build it right. Every time. On time.'"

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