

2005 Technologist of Distinction



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Citation

Since graduating from Tennessee Tech University Chris has worked for Eureka Foundry in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He has been maintenance supervisor, plant engineer, sales and customer service, maintenance and machine shop supervisor, sales manager, machine shop manager and MIS/IT manager.

He is a member and the secretary of North River Rotary in Hixson, Tennessee, Chairman of the MIT advisory board, and serves on the College of Engineering Dean's Advisory Board at TTU.

He served continuously for eleven years for the Tennessee Chapter American Foundry Society holding various key positions leading to the chairman position. During this time, he served as southeastern regional conference chairman for three consecutive conferences for the American Foundry Society and is currently serving as Treasurer of the Tennessee Chapter.

Chris has been Senior Arbitrator for Chattanooga Better Business Bureau in Consumer Complaint Resolution for twenty years. He served as an officer of Toastmasters International, Chattanooga Downtown Dazzlers Club. He was a member of the Board of Directors for Pumpkin Patch Play Ground (a playground planned and built by the community).

Chris' interests include aviation, computers, photography, history, reading, movies, bicycle and motorcycle riding, hiking and camping.

Chris and his wife Jennifer McDougal ('80 Education and Master in Elementary Guidance and Counselor Education) reside on Signal Mountain, a suburb of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Chris and Jennifer have two children, Megan and Adam.