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**Smith & Loveless Engineer Featured on CBS News Station for Accomplishments**

LENEXA, Kan. – On July 2, 2010, KCTV 5 News, Kansas City’s local CBS affiliate, interviewed Frank Weis for its weekly “Faces of Kansas City” segment, which features prominent Kansas Citians who contribute to the community.

Weis graduated from the University of Missouri in 1942 and began his career as an Engineering Officer in the United States Navy. He served in WWII, including in the South Pacific, for two years before returning to Kansas City to work for the Kansas City Missouri Water Department as Superintendent and Assistant Chief Engineer. During the Great Kansas City Flood of 1951, Weis lead a crew that prevented the lower concrete pump level of the Primary Lift Station from collapsing, which was responsible for all of Kansas City’s water supply at the time.

Three years later, Weis was offered the position as Chief Engineer at Smith & Loveless. Weis was Smith & Loveless’ first engineer hired by the company’s founders, B. Alden Smith and Compere Loveless. He began his career at S&L in 1954 and 56 years later, is still contributing to technical innovations that have helped shape the nation’s growing water industry. Today, his responsibilities as Senior Engineering Consultant allow him to continue to design patented pumping and treatment equipment in addition to educating the company’s current younger engineers.

In addition to his 40-plus patents, Weis has also been recognized by industry peers and associations. In 1999, he was honored with the Henry R. Worthington Medal from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for his career and considerable achievements in pumping machinery. He also received the University of Missouri’s Distinguished Service in Engineering Award in 2005.

Weis has been married to his wife, Audrey, for more than 65 years. He has two sons who are both mechanical engineers, one of which followed in his father’s footsteps and has already retired from the Kansas City Water Department. At 90 years of age, he continues to jog three miles daily in the evening with his wife.

Founded in 1946, Smith & Loveless Inc. is a global leader in the water and wastewater industry, offering a complete line of equipment and boasting installations in more than 70 nations around the world. For more information on Smith & Loveless Inc and its products, visit [www.smithandloveless.com](http://www.smithandloveless.com). To view the “Faces of Kansas City” segment featuring Weis, log onto Smith & Loveless’ Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Smith-Loveless-Inc/228942139491>.

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