



With the April 4<sup>th</sup> Grand Opening celebration of our first brick and mortar office in Texas just days away, it is only fitting that we recognize our Vice President of Texas Operations, Steve Palmgren in this month's Patti Personnel Spotlight. "Steve's leadership skills, engineering talent, dedication and commitment are largely responsible for the stellar success we have achieved in Texas," said President of Patti Engineering, Patti Hoff.

Steve has been with Patti Engineering since 2001 and has 18 years of experience in control and information systems from plant floor and assembly automation; to developing auto-drilling technology; to specializing in assessing and manipulating databases. Palmgren earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering with a minor in Computer Engineering from Kettering University in Flint, Michigan. With a strong personal commitment to his career, Steve earned his Professional Engineer (P.E.) license from the Texas Board of Professional Engineers just over a year ago.

Under Steve's leadership, we consistently receive very positive feedback from our customers and partners in Texas. A few years back we asked Siemens Austin/San Antonio, Texas, Senior Account Manager, Rich Jacobson, for his opinion of Patti Engineering's success in Texas, "I just did not see the need for another integrator in our market, but their engineers came in and wowed us with their technical knowledge and capabilities with Siemens automation products." Jacobson's response was a direct result of Steve's technical capabilities and his ability to lead our engineering team.



Steve credits his success in Texas to the support of his family, all the Patti Engineering team members, customers, partners and strategic alliances. Steve and his wife Lindsay have a 6 year old daughter, Reese, and a 10 month old son, Isaac. The Palmgren family recently made a trip back to Michigan to visit family and friends. Isaac flew for the first time and loved it. Reese was able to celebrate her 6<sup>th</sup> birthday with all her family and friends in Michigan. The Palmgren family also celebrated Isaac's baptism in Michigan with close friends and family.



Back home in Texas, the Palmgren family enjoys spending time outdoors with trips to Port Aransas/Corpus Christi beach and camping. In October, the family took a camping trip to Pedernales State Park. While Steve and Lindsay are both Michigan natives, it is clear they have settled in nicely to life in Texas. As Steve says, "Lindsay holds the house on the ground," she enjoys cooking, helping at Reese's school and PTO, swimming, yoga, parent groups and playdates for Reese and Isaac.



In Steve's free time when not with his family or at Patti Engineering, he likes tinkering in the garage on cars, RC cars, or anything else that needs to be fixed as well as volunteering in Destination Imagination tournaments. He was thrilled to recently have the opportunity to drive a stock car on a small track near Austin! Steve also enjoys gardening especially in Texas where you can grow year round outdoors. While he loves his adopted state of Texas, Steve remains a big Michigan fan, especially football!

\*\*\*\* Professional family portrait taken by Summer Miles of [Summer Miles Photography](#)