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BEVERLY RALPH RETIRES AFTER 26 YEARS



Congratulations to Beverly Ralph who will officially retire from Greenville Tool & Die on December 27, 2018 after twenty-six years of service. She has been a huge asset to our company and a true team player. Bev is very reliable and has continuously risen to the challenges we have faced in the tool & die industry, growing in pace with technology.

Bev was born on a 40-acre farm outside of Carson City. Her family grew corn, wheat and alfalfa, and raised a mixed breed of Black Angus cows. She is the youngest of four, having one brother and two sisters. Currently Bev has 4 grandsons, 2 granddaughters, a dog and a cat. As a muscle car enthusiast, you might catch her at a car show from time to time, but these days her passion is quality time with family and her pets.

Bev's working history began while she was still attending Carson City-Crystal High School. As a co-op student Bev was a Librarian Assistant, and later a Dental Receptionist/Assistant which continued after she graduated in 1969. Bev took a break to be a mom for her daughters Darci & Holli, then in 1978 she attended Montcalm Community College where she obtained her nursing degree. Bev was working as a nurse at Carson City Hospital when she once again took a break to be a mom for her youngest daughter, Crystal. Since the nursing jobs available were never full time or enough pay, she returned to MCC in 1988 this time earning an Associate Degree in Business Administration. Bev worked temporarily at the Carson City Correctional Facility, the Department of Social Services in Stanton, and the Bank of Alma. She would begin to settle into her permanent career with the office team at Tomco Tool & Die in December of 1992. There she was responsible to track job hours and costs on an excel spreadsheet which was also used for the profit & loss when the job shipped. She learned to do payroll on Peachtree accounting software, this would enable her to cover during absences and vacations of others. Tomco's quoting software had its own calculations so when data was entered it would produce the quote and a breakdown of hours and costs for each die by department. Later she would use JobBOSS to print out the weekly schedules for the shop departments.

In 2003 Bev was welcomed into the Process department here at Greenville Tool & Die. At that time there were (5) Program Managers: Jim Buskirk, Ron Brimmer, Dave Bailey, Brady Paulson and Terry Swan, whom Bev had worked with at Tomco. Bev's job with this new team was to assist them by entering information into the quoting program, verifying Customer Die Standards monthly for ISO and doing monthly ISO checks on the other departments. She would learn to use CADDS to convert and print drawings from customer's data. She also put together Buyoff Books, filled out cost breakdowns for the quotes and printed out the Time and Material sheets on shipped jobs for the Reference Books. This position continued to grow, and Bev took on more new tasks. Times changed, CADDS turned into Catia, and everything went on line. Data was starting to be downloaded and buyoff files were being uploaded. Since the data we receive comes in different formats, she learned to use Unigraphics and JT2Go. Soon Bev was registering GTD on multiple data exchange sites and purchasing portals as well as a few government sites. Forming Suite was added so she could run the fastblank program to help with quoting. The Die Leader books were also an added responsibility to help GTD conform to ISO.

Bev tried several different types of jobs early on, but they never felt like they were for her on the long term. While in the tool & die industry, she learned something new almost every day. Bev says she will miss working with such a great group of people doing a job she enjoyed. In the future she hopes to relocate to the Alma area, go to car shows, and spend more time with her daughters and grandchildren.

Bev, thank you for your many years of service to Greenville Tool & Die. On behalf of all of us here at GTD, it has been a pleasure to work with you Bev and we wish you many years of good health and prosperity in your retirement. We are certainly going to miss you!



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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



Greenville Tool & Die will be closed on Monday, December 24th, and Tuesday, December 25th, in observance of Christmas. We will also be closed Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1st, in observance of the New Year.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to take the

following GTD employees a

2.....Marv Doezema

2.....Tim Adkinson

18.....Gordon Garvey

25.....Tristen Potter

21.....Terry Miller

29.....Dan Pitch

30.....Josh Bailey

6....Joe Garnsay

8.....Chris Carr

opportunity to wish the

Happy Birthday:

DECEMBER

SERVICE AWARDS

The following employee is recognized for his hard work and dedication on: DECEMBER

Thank you for your commitment, and the accomplishments you have brought to GTD.

CONGRATULATIONS TYLER



Tyler Peterman has received his certification from the US Department of Labor and is now a Journeyman Tool & Die Maker.

BLOOD DRIVE

Every pint of blood donated to the American Red Cross has the potential to benefit three different people. The following GTD employees/retirees have recently reached milestones in blood donated:

Ian Burgess - 1 gallon Zak Adkins Korson - 1 gallon Ryan Teegardin - 2 gallons Conner Arnold - 3 gallons Neal Fisher - 4 gallons Marty Bush - 12 gallons Dick Rittersdorf - 24 gallons

MCC VISITS GTD



41 successful donations were made during the last Blood Drive held on November $6^{\,\rm th}$

Thank you, donors, for your commitment to helping those in need. The next blood drive will be held on:

Tuesday, January 15, 2019 12:00-5:30pm

CHRISTMAS 2018

Santa Park Party & Parade in Historic Downtown Greenville December 7, 2018 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM EST

Enjoy a visit with Santa, cookie decorating, face painting, games, tree lighting and a beautiful twilight Parade through downtown. 4:00-5:30pm Park Party at Lafayette Street Park

5:45pm - Light-up Lafayette tree lighting 6:00pm - Hometown Christmas Parade



GTD employees can purchase a train or a soldier for \$1 to help buy toys for the children of Montcalm County. Please see Robbie Rahn, Jeff Waite, or Mici Bos before December 11th. All proceeds are used to purchase gifts which will be donated to the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program.

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Montcalm Community College's Quality Control students, with instructor Bill Small, toured Greenville Tool & Die on November 13th. Thank you to our tour guide, Tony Bannen and the MCC students for your interest in our trade.

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