



### CLASS OF 2021 CO-OP STUDENTS



**BRIAN BERRINGTON**  
Belding High School



**CARTER BROWNELL**  
Greenville High School



**JUSTIN GOINS**  
Greenville High School



**CONNOR INGERSOLL**  
Greenville High School

*We Wish You  
The Best!  
Go Make Us  
Proud!*



**TREVER MILLER**  
Central Montcalm High School  
Son of Terry Miller



**KYLE NOBLE**  
Belding High School



**TY WOOD**  
Saranac High School

### CLASS OF 2021 DAUGHTERS & SONS



**CLAIRE AKIN**  
Central Montcalm High School  
Daughter of Nate Akin



**MIKE DAVIS**  
Central Michigan University  
Son of Mike Davis



**ABIGALE MUMBY**  
Michigan State University  
Daughter of IV Mumby



**ERIN MUMBY**  
Greenville High School  
Daughter of IV Mumby



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### CLOSED INDEPENDENCE DAY



Greenville Tool & Die will be closed on Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day. As we celebrate our nation's freedom, we honor the courageous men and women dedicated to preserving it.



## QUARTER CENTURY OF SERVICE



Nathan Akin is the 104<sup>th</sup> employee to reach 25 years of service on June 7, 2021. Nate was born and raised in Carson City. He is the son of Daryl and Jill Akin, with one sister, Courtney, and one brother, Ryan. In Nate's early years attending Carson City/Crystal High School he worked on Wilson's Dairy Farm milking cows. Nate's work ethics made him a very dependable employee, which was required since there is no option to skip a milking when the cows depend on you. In 1993 Nate began cooperative vocational training with Greenville Tool & Die. Upon completion of High School, he was hired by Tomco Tool & Die in Belding. Nate completed an apprenticeship with Tomco and obtained certification from Montcalm Community College and the U.S Department of Labor as a journeyman Die Maker in June 2000 and Die Designer in June 2003. He returned to Greenville in 2003 after Greenville Tool & Die purchased Tomco. Nate and his beautiful wife Rebecca have two children, Claire, and Carter. When he is not designing dies, Nate enjoys hunting and fishing. Recently, he has been training beagles to run rabbits. Greenville Tool & Die has been a good fit for Nate. He enjoys a short commute to work at GTD. Also, the hands on skilled trade breaks up the monotony of manufacturing and keeps things fresh with a constant need for new problem solving skills. Many things have changed over the past 25 years. Nate said what stands out the most to him is the size of the dies built by GTD. In the early years of Nate's career, we built small dies for hinges and brackets. Now our focus is on class A parts such as hoods, roofs, and bumpers. Much more complex parts. Thank you Nate for 25 years of service and best wishes for continued success in your career.



Brian Schmid is the 105<sup>th</sup> employee to reach 25 years of service on June 10, 2021. Raised by his parents Robert and Sue Schmid, Brian and his brother Bob grew up in Middleton on his family's dairy farm. Before he was even old enough to leave home he was introduced to hard work on the farm. Influenced by his older brother Bob, who worked at Greenville Tool & Die, during his senior year at Fulton High School Brian began a co-op at GTD. He received certification from Montcalm Community College and the U.S Department of Labor as a journeyman Die Maker in 2001 and Die Designer in 2004. Brian bought his family's farm and when he is not designing dies he enjoys restoring and repairing antique tractors. Brian also collects pinball machines and toy tractors. He said he has around thirteen pinball machines. Brian also appreciates a game of bowling. He is on a league with co-workers Roland Demorest, Kurt Newcomb, and Fred Murray. In this year's Friday night bowling league, his team took first place! When asked what he likes about GTD, Brian said his coworkers are great, and he also really enjoys designing dies. In fact, Brian has learned nearly every angle to the die making process. He cleaned as a co-op student, did some die build, spent a couple years running mills, and began toolpathing in 1999. Brian has witnessed many improvements in the process over the years and credits GTD for speed and 5-axis capabilities today. Thank you for your outstanding service Brian, and best wishes for continued success in your career.



Nicholas Feuerstein is the 106<sup>th</sup> employee to reach 25 years of service on June 10, 2021. Nick was born in Grand Rapids and raised in Belding by his parents Dan and Shirley Feuerstein. He has an older brother, Chris, and younger sister, Leigh. Nick is no stranger to hard work. Even before he began cooperative vocational training at Greenville Tool & Die and classes at the Heartlands Institute of Ionia, Nick had held a few different positions. He mowed the cemetery in Smyrna and Otisco Township, restocked coolers at West Side Party Store, and did some cooking at Timbers Inn Restaurant and Tavern. Nick graduated from Belding High School in 1996. In 2001 he received certification from Montcalm Community College and the U.S Department of Labor as a journeyman Die Maker. Nick and his lovely wife, Leanne, have four children: Lanie, Lexie, Benjamin, and Graham. When he is not at work, Nick enjoys spending time with his family. He coaches little league, basketball, and baseball. The kids are also involved in soccer, taekwondo, softball, and volleyball, keeping the family busy. The Feuerstein's love bike riding and tailgating at University of Michigan football games. When Nick was asked what he loves about GTD he said, "All facets of the die making process." This is both a challenging and a rewarding field of work. The short commute to our local company has been a major perk as it allows for more time at home with the family. In his quarter century of service, a lot of modifications have been made to improve the die making process. Nick talked about how our 5-axis machining saves so much time on set up. As an example, in the past, machining that might have required 7 set ups now only needs 2. Thank you for 25 years of service Nick, and best wishes for continue success in your career.



## CANDIDATES FOR APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Connor Ingersoll  
Greenville High School



Carter Brownell  
Greenville High School



Kyle Noble  
Belding High School



Trevor Miller  
Central Montcalm High School

Congratulations to these recent high school graduates who have been working at Greenville Tool & Die as cooperative student learners and are now candidates for an apprenticeship opportunity. GTD has had registered apprentice programs with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, U.S. Department of Labor since 1951. These 4-year programs include Tool and Die Maker, Tool & Die Designer, CNC Machinist, and Maintenance Mechanic. They combine 8000 hours of paid on-the-job training with 600 hours of academic related instruction at Montcalm Community College. Greenville Tool & Die will pay tuition and fees in these courses as long as the apprentice meets certain grade and attendance requirements. More than half of our current full time employees were co-op students for us originally. Greenville Tool & Die wishes these young men the best for a long and successful career in this industry.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to take the opportunity to wish the following GTD employees a Happy Birthday on:

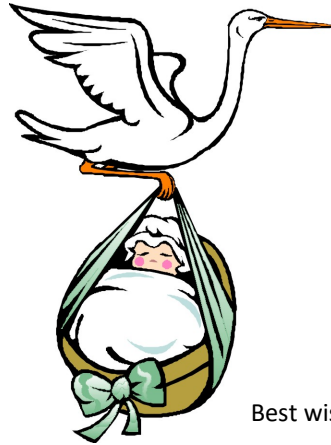
June

6.....Luke Hansen  
6.....Diana Turner  
10.....Josh Johnson  
13.....Bill Draper  
19.....Kevin Arnold  
19.....Carter Brownell  
22.....Brent Hoffman  
26.....Dave Bean  
26.....Connor Somerfield  
27.....Kris VanOcker  
29.....Laura Baker  
30.....Deb Jones



## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tool and Die Maker Drew Nielson and his wife Bridget on the birth of their second child, Roman Joseph. Roman was born on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pounds, 5 ounces and 20 3/4 inches long. He joins big brother Lincoln who will turn 3 years old very soon.



Congratulations to Machining Supervisor Brett Tomkinson and his wife Kenzie on the birth of their first child, Sawyer Katherine. She was born on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 9 pounds, 4 ounce and 22 inches long.

Best wishes to both families!

## WELCOME TO GREENVILLE TOOL & DIE

### Co-operative Vocational Students



Jet Curtis  
Greenville High School



Jake Duffy  
Home School



Bryce Jacobs  
Lakeview High School



Conner Miller  
Belding High School



Braxton Reed  
Central Montcalm HS



Matt Williams  
Central Montcalm HS



Theodore Grant  
Tool & Die Maker Apprentice

## SERVICE AWARDS

The following employees are recognized for their hard work and dedication on:

June

6.....Josh Brewington.....10 years  
7.....Nate Akin.....25 years  
10....Brian Schmid.....25 years  
10....Nick Feuerstein.....25 years  
13....Josh Johnson.....5 years  
13....Tim Jakeway.....5 years



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