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DENNIS BRASINGTON RETIRES



Maintenance Mechanic Dennis Brasington retired from Greenville Tool & Die on July 1st after eleven years of service. Dennis was born and raised in Lakeview to parents Muriel and Loren on the family beef and crop farm. He has one older sister, three older stepsisters, one younger stepbrother, and one halfbrother. Dennis began working at the ripe age of thirteen helping out a dairy farmer who was laid up and needed a farm hand. Dennis took on the night shift milking cows. He later worked for Coral Hardware during high school, beginning his career in maintenance as they repaired everything from lawn mowers to tractors. Dennis graduated from Lakeview High School, where he took welding, auto shop, building trades, and drafting classes. After graduation he attending Montcalm Community College for three years taking courses in industrial electrical maintenance, fluid power, PLC, and National Electrical Code. Dennis began his adult working career by working in several

areas doing many tasks geared around maintenance from Howard City Paper Company, Commercial Construction in Lansing, Roth Berry Farms lead maintenance, ITM Corp automated production machine maintenance, Adams Tech CNC Field Tech, Steeplechase Tool & Die maintenance, Summit MFG CNC maintenance, Makino Global CNC Field Service Tech, and finally finishing up his career here at GTD. Dennis is married to the former Karen Buskirk. They have been happily married for almost thirty six years now. Dennis said he is blessed to have such a wife as Karen. He also states that Karen is a very patient woman to be married to him. Karen will continue to teach a few more years at Tri-County schools before joining Dennis in retirement. Dennis and Karen have two daughters, both married, Lindsey (Tory) and Kristina (Nathan). They have one grand-daughter Ella, and one grandchild on the way. Dennis resides on his family's farm and enjoys collecting and working on antique tractors. Together with his mother he currently has thirteen Farmalls and one John Deere tractor ranging from 1924 thru 1967. His newest hobby is a new German Shepard puppy that he rescued named Kaiser. Dennis says this is his "retirement buddy." In retirement Dennis plans to focus on his health and helping those in need with "Handy Man" requests. He is a great friend to many of his coworkers and typically goes above and beyond to offer any help he can. Dennis said he has absolutely loved working at Greenville Tool & Die for the people, the work, and the interaction. He will miss the "family" here at GTD. We will all certainly miss him too. Congratulations to you Dennis. We wish Dennis and Karen many years of good health and prosperity in his retirement and thank him for his outstanding service.



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RELAY FOR LIFE

American Cancer Society Relay For Life A Team Event to Fight Cancer

Saturday, July 24, 2021 Frugthaven Farm 11466 W Carson City Rd. Greenville, MI 48838

SERVICE AWARDS

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



July		
1	Joe Hoy	30 years
5	Tony Seaborn	5 years
5	Mac Paulson	5 years
11	Tristen Potter	5 years

BLOOD DRIVE

Helpcave

Tuesday, July 13, 2021 12:00-5:45pm

Many life-saving medical treatments involve blood transfusions that would not be possible without a safe and reliable blood supply. Every pint of blood donated has the potential to benefit three different people. Greenville Tool & Die is pleased to announce the return of our onsite blood drive for employees and their families. Please contact Rich Ring at 616-754-5693 for more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



1.....Justin Stump 2......Dennis Brasington 3.....Eric Mills 4.....Cory Selleck 7.....Jesse Playter 7.....Ronnie Griffin 11.....Norm Denny 11......Brady Paulson 12.....Jason Hall 13......Fred Murray 13.....Jeremy Landes 18.....Jerry Smith 21.....Jody Teegardin 23.....Jeff Waite 28.....Mike Brownell 30......Austin Wonch

31......Connor Ingersoll

THANK YOU

CONGRATULATIONS



On June 11, 2021 Greenville Tool & Die retiree Rick Hillman gave a tour of our facility to show these four young men our skilled trades opportunities. Thank you all for your interest in Greenville Tool & Die. Thank you Rick for your time and continued support.



Congratulations to the following employees who have received Journeyman certification from the US Department of Labor: (pictured left to right)

> Tim Jakeway Ken Mankel Jeremy Payne **Austin Wonch**

Journeyman CNC Machinist Journeyman Tool & Die Maker Journeyman Tool & Die Maker Journeyman Tool & Die Maker



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