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## **ICEMAN COMETH CHALLENGE**

Dave Hendricks (left) recently competed in his 3rd Iceman Cometh Challenge, sponsored by Bell's Beer. This was the 26th year of the event which features a 30 mile point to point mountain bike race from Kalkaska to Traverse City, Michigan. It is held traditionally on the first Saturday of November each year.





MCC TECHNICAL DRAFTING CLASS TOUR

Last month, Les Albert's (far left above) Technical Drafting Class at Montcalm Community College came to visit us with particular interest in our Engineering Department and our CAD design. Our design leader, Marty Bush (2nd from left), served as our tour guide. Above, our Justin Heimbecker, (lower right), shows the students some basics in our software, CATIA. Thanks to Marty, Justin, and the rest of our employees for taking time to work with the students.



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### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

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

### JANUARY 2015

1	Max Babbitt
4	John Senn
8	Ken Bradley
15	Brad Throop
16	Mark Winters
20	Kenny Haines
	Marty Bush

# SAFETY & SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Kerry Jahns Tony Walker
Brett Tomkinson Cory Selleck

The Safety & Suggestion Committee will not meet in December due to the holidays. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. in the large conference room.

# **SERVICE AWARDS**

Congratulations are in order this month to Dan Updike and Matt Greenhoe. Dan celebrated 40 years of service on December 3 while Matt will be recognized on December 21 for 5 years of service. Best wishes to both for continued success in their careers.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Our November Red Cross Blood Drive saw 46 donors. Those reaching milestones with their donations were:

Caleb Green 2 gallons
Josh Paulson 5 gallons
Brian Brasington 10 gallons
Jay Vlahas 18 gallons
Rick Hillman 24 gallons

A big thank you to all of our donors. Our next blood drive is Tuesday, January 13.

# 2014 FIREARMS DEER SEASON BUCK POOL WINNERS



Comments on Michigan's deer seasons so far have been kind of a mixed bag. If you were a hunter in the right locations, you stood a good chance of bagging a buck while everyone else is grumbling about lack of deer sightings and shooter bucks. Michigan just announced the harvest is down as did neighboring states Wisconsin and Ohio. So, we will just have to wait and see how this plays out. Are the numbers more depressed than expected, was there too much standing corn, or what?

At least a few of our employees are smiling as they had good seasons. Ben Crawford, (at left), our student from Lakeview, has had an excellent fall. He has won our Firearms Deer Season Buck Pool with this nice 9-pointer having a 17-1/2 outside

spread. He also took a

nice 8pt with a 16" outside spread with his bow. Congrats to Ben.

Nate Akin (at right) bagged this good looking 8-pointer with a 16-3/4" outside spread placing 2nd. Having seen this buck on a couple of different occasions during the earlier bow season, it so happens that one of those times the buck walked in front of his gun blind. So, opening morning Nate was there waiting for him and he indeed showed up. Good call Nate and congrats to you as well.

# **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

**Greenville Tool & Die Company will be closed for the holidays as follows:** 

Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve Thursday, January 1, 2015 - New Year's Day

To all, have a most joyous, and safe, holiday season.







# **NEW EMPLOYEES**

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome new employees, Tyler Peterman (above left), of Stanton and Conner Arnold of Greenville. They have joined GTD as candidates for our tool and die maker apprentice program. Best wishes to Tyler and Conner as they start their new career.

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