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# CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



Construction of our plant expansion has reached the final phase as we finish equipment installations and start taking advantage of the much needed extra space.

At left, toward the west end of the 15,000 sq. ft. expansion, is a 2,000 ton Verson tryout press, with its installation almost complete.

In the picture below, you can see the Verson 2,000 ton on the right with our 2,200 ton Clearing Niagara tryout press on the left. As we continue to get more involved with and develop expertise in designing and building dies for larger and larger parts, these large

tryout presses as well as the additional floor space are more and more important.

The rebuild and upgrade of another Okuma MCR-BII CNC Milling Machine has been delayed from our earlier projections but we are still anticipating its delivery soon. This unit will anchor the east end of the new edition.



# ANNUAL AUDIOGRAMS



**Annual Audiograms are** scheduled for Monday, September 8. **Better** Hearing will be here that day to perform the test-**REMINDER.** Over ing. the prior weekend, if you are running type of loud equipment like mowers,

chain saws, weed whippers, etc., please wear ear protection so it does not affect your testing on Monday.

## FLU SHOT CLINIC

The Spectrum Health Visiting Nurses will be here on Tuesday, September 23, to conduct our annual Flu Shot Clinic. Time will be from 2:00 - 5:00PM in the Lunchroom. Your Blue Care Network Health Insurance will cover the shot for you, your spouse, and children 5 & over.

Brooke Natale will have a sign up sheet. If you and your family are interested, please see her and sign up by Friday, September 19.



# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

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

### **OCTOBER 2014**

2	Jamie Sellers
6	Dwayne MacLaren
13	Dave Scott
14	Nick Taulbee
15	Gregg Peters
16	Steve Foster
16	Josh Brewington
16	Nate Post
17	Kevin Lipp
20	Mark Cazier
22	Neal Fisher
22	Ashton Mead
26	Jay Vlahas
26	Ethan Schofield

# SAFETY & SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Rob McGill **Ken Bradley Herb Jones Kurt Newcomb** 

The next Safety & Suggestion Committee meeting will be Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. in the large conference room.

# **SERVICE AWARDS**

This month we congratulate Paul Fyolek (25 years), Brent Hoffman (15 years), and Josh Paulson (10 years), for reaching service milestones. We wish them continued success in their careers.

### NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

Our next Red Cross Blood Drive here at GTD is Tuesday, September 9, from noon until 5:30PM.

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# **DALMAC**

# **MONTCALM CHALLENGE FOOD DRIVE**



The 2014 Dalmac 5 East with (I-r) Layna, Jim, and Sue Buskirk; Brian Lake, and Jessica Buskirk in St. Ignace with the Mackinaw Bridge in the background. Dan Updike (not pictured) took the Dalmac 5 UP.

For more than 23 years, this time of year signals the kickoff of the Montcalm Challenge Food Drive. This is a county-wide campaign to benefit the 18 food pantries of Montcalm County and the needy they serve. One of the main features of the event is the friendly competition between area businesses as they compete to see who can raise the most money and food items per employee. Culminating in early December with a big food buy and drop for the pantries, the drive has cumulatively raised since 1991, more than 764,000 food items and more than \$314,000 additional dollars used for more food purchases. This year, Drive participants are partnering to put on a Special Pledge Walk and Pancake Breakfast, Saturday, September 27, 7:00 to 11:00am, at Camp Wah-Wah-Tay-See on the north shore of Baldwin Lake, Greenville. Chris Cakes will be handling the all- you-can-eat pancake breakfast. Called VITAL VITTLES, proceeds will benefit all Montcalm Co. food pantries. Check out all the details on the 'Montcalm Challenge Food Drive' Facebook page.

# **NEW APPRENTICES**

We would like to welcome these new tool and die maker apprentices to Greenville Tool & Die. Several are former Co-op student learners who joined us earlier this summer. They are: Tyler Orr (Greenville), Justin Priest (Portland), Alex VanderHoek (Saranac), Austin Wardell (Belding). Several others have joined us in recent weeks. They are Cody Braman, Scot Fitzpatrick, and Seth Heckman. Best wishes to all of these young men as they embark on their tool & die career.















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