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# 1600 TON DANLY PRESS

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Greenville Tool & Die has installed this 1600 Ton Danly Press with a 30" stroke length, 18" slide adjustment, and capability of 9-18 strokes per minute. It is equipped with 72" x 144" rolling bolsters that maneuver both out the front and back.





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# **DWAYNE MACLAREN 25 YEARS**



Congratulations to Dwayne MacLaren who became the 97th employee to reach 25 years of service at Greenville Tool & Die on July 18th.

Dwayne was born in Sheridan and raised in the Stanton area. He is the son of John and Linda Maclaren. Dwayne has an older brother and sister, and one younger sister. Dwayne is married to the former Melissa Snyder. They soon will celebrate 22 years of marriage. Together they have three children, Hope, Hannah, and Haiden. Hope is a graduate of Ferris State University. Hannah is currently attending Montcalm Community College in the early college program and Haiden will soon to be a 5th grader at Central Montcalm Schools.

Dwayne graduated from Central Montcalm High School in 1994, where he played four years of baseball and a couple years of basketball. Dwayne also attended the Montcalm Area Career Center taking the machine tool program with Mr. Rozell. Dwayne began his working career at the young age of five or six, as soon as he could throw a bale of hay on the family farm. Around the age of twelve Dwayne began working on a dairy farm and a cash crop farm picking rocks, laying irrigation pipe, driving tractor, and milking cows. Dwayne remembers making around \$4-5/ hour and by time he graduated he was making about \$6/hr. Dwayne then began working for Tom Fagerlin at Wonderland Ice waiting for his employment date to begin at Tomco Tool & Die in July of 1994. He would indeed begin his employment with Tomco Tool & Die and attend Montcalm Community College taking apprenticeship classes. Dwayne achieved his tool & die maker journeyman's card in 1998. Dwayne would continue to be a die leader for Tomco until December of 2003 when GTD would purchase Tomco. At that time Dwayne would continue to use his die leader skills here at GTD. In February of 2013 he was transferred to the engineering department to utilize his die making skills in the simulation department. From there Dwayne was cross trained to work either in the shop or engineering to help with the work load wherever needed. Dwayne really enjoys and values spending time with his family. He also enjoys sports, hunting, coaching, watching the kids play sports, camping, and fishing. When questioned about the changes Dwayne has witnessed over the past quarter century; milling from a droop duplicator mill to the CNC mill is one of the big changes. He also enjoys seeing how the dies go together with so much more precision today. Dwayne has been a great teacher for our young apprentices, and he has always been willing to learn and stay on the edge of technology as the company advances. His willingness to work and share his knowledge in whatever department needs help. These are many of the reasons Greenville Tool & Die continues

Dwayne, on behalf of all of us here at GTD, we thank you for your outstanding commitment to GTD, while sharing your wealth of knowledge over the past 25 years and wish you continued success in your career.

to be successful.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## 8/1....Tony Walker

8/1.....Damion Powers

8/3.....Paul Fyolek

8/3.....Terry Swan 8/12.....Kerry Jahns

8/12.....Tim Jakeway

8/12.....Paul Arlt

8/14.....Tim Gasper 8/15.....Brian Schmid

8/17......Dave Hendricks

8/17.....James Mankel

8/17.....Ashton Ingersoll

8/19.....Doug Sanders

8/25.....Joel Petersen

8/26.....Devin Cunningham 8/31.....Ryan Teegardin

# **SERVICE AWARDS**



8/4	Seth Heckm	nan5 years
8/6	Dave Bean.	35 years
2/15	Don Orr	30 years



Christian Augustyn



Carter Brownell



**Christopher Croel** 



**Damion Powers** 

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

WELCOME CO-OP STUDENTS TO GREENVILLE TOOL & DIE



Congratulations GTD employee, Marv Doezema, who married the former Brenda Hatch on June 30th Best wishes to the newlyweds for a long and happy life together.



Congratulations GTD employee, Kris VanOcker, and his wife Kaitlin on the birth of their son, Theodore Charles, on July 19th. He weighed in at 8 pounds 9 ounces and 20.5 inches long.

Congratulations GTD employee, Seth Heckman, and his wife Ashlie on the birth of their daughter, Rayna Jay, on July 31st. She was healthy at 5 pounds 15 ounces and 18.5 inches long.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

**Red Cross Blood Drive** 

### Tuesday, September 10, 2019 12:30-5:45pm

Many lifesaving medical treatments involve blood transfusions that would not be possible without a safe and reliable blood supply. The following GTD employees have recently reached milestones in blood donated:

Roland Demorest - 1 gallon Jesse Playter - 4 gallons Joel Palmer - 5 gallons

Thank you, donors, for your commitment to helping those in need.

### **SAFETY & SUGGESTIONS**

**Employee Safety & Suggestion Meeting** 

Wednesday, August 28, 2019 3:30pm

August committee members are: Kevin Arnold Ken Mankel Jeremy Payne Matt Smalley



Greenville Tool & Die will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2018 in observance of Labor Day.

### **RELAY FOR LIFE**



Team Wheeler's Walker's was formed in 1992 by employees of Greenville Tool & Die to rally behind Vice President Bob Wheeler (pictured third from the left, back row), who was courageously battling cancer at the time. Remembering Bob and the desire to help others have continued our fundraising efforts. Team Wheeler's Walker's raised \$6,830 in the 2019 Relay for Life of Montcalm County. Due to rainy weather, the event was held in the Ash Foundation building, dedicated to Stanley & Blanche Ash, former owners of Greenville Tool & Die. The American Cancer Society's 2019 Relay for Life of Montcalm County raised a total of \$45,322.60. Thank you to everyone who supported this great cause to fight cancer.

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