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Pictured left to right are:
Chuck Smith,
Brian Schmid,
Brian Lake,
Steve Thomsen,
Roland Demorest,
Dave Hendricks,
Kyle Ruffer,
Brian Brasington,
and Jody Teegardin.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

JUNE 2009

2Chad Reed
6Luke Hansen
7Phil Hopkins
19Chad Teegardin
19Kevin Arnold
20Gregg Spencer
21Bill LaMere
26Dennis Guernsey
26Larry Caverley
26Dave Bean
28David Milligan
30Connor Thomsen

AUTOTEK/FORD FIESTA B-PILLAR

We are nearing completion of a project for Autotek Mexico SA De CV in Puebla, Mexico. This has included the design and building of a right and left hand 5-station transfer system to make the right and left hand Inner B-Pillars for the Ford Fiesta, Program Code Name B299. This project, by Blue Oval's development engineers, is the seventh-generation Fiesta and comes at a time when size and energy efficiency are more important than ever. This is Ford's first global car and will have customers from the USA to China saving the planet with a smile on their face. This model is developed under the 'One Ford' regime that aims to slash inefficiencies and streamline global model line-ups in part due to the adoption of a lighter body structure employing high-strength steels and beefing up parts

like this B-Pillar. This vehicle has also achieved stellar safety ratings for both adults and children.

Steve Thomsen was our die leader on the project. He was helped by Jody Teegardin, Gregg Spencer, Chuck Smith, Brian Brasington, Brian Lake, Adam Teegardin, and Dave Hendricks. Roland Demorest led our design team of Brian Schmid, Kyle Ruffer, and Brett Tomkinson.



SAFETY & SUGGESTION COMMITTEE

Norm Denny
Adam Teegardin

Kerry Jahns
Jerrad Higgins

The Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27, 2009, in the Conference Room.

SERVICE AWARDS

We would like to recognize and thank the following employees reaching service milestones this month of May:

Matt Caverley	15 years
Eric Teegardin	15 years
Dave Scott	20 years

MEMORIAL DAY CLOSING

GTD will be closed on Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. We wish all a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend. Remember those who have served.



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SHADOW

On Wednesday, April 29, Donovan Thompson, a junior at Greenville High School, spent the morning with us learning primarily about engineering and CAD design as it applies to our tool and die industry. Above left, Donovan, is shown a simulation for an exhaust adapter by our Rick Visch. Thanks to the Greenville Area Chamber of Commerce and Greenville High School for arranging this shadow experience for Donovan.

RELAY FOR LIFE

A quick reminder that this year's American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Montcalm County is June 12-13 at Greenville High School's track complex at Yellow Jacket Stadium. GTD Chairperson, Tonya Shelden, is looking for walkers and team participants for our Wheeler's Walkers Team. Please see her if you are interested. For more info, log onto:

www.relayforlife.org/montcalmmi



GRADUATES

At this time of year, we like to extend congratulations to the many graduates associated with Greenville Tool & Die. First of all, employee Matt Dempsey is graduating from the Related Instruction program at Montcalm Community College. He is the son of our Joe Dempsey.

Our graduating Co-op students are: James Mull from Belding High School; Kristina Peters from Cedar Springs High School; Matt Greenhoe from Central Montcalm High School; and, Erich Nelson and Garrett Weber of Greenville High School.

Graduating sons and daughters of GTD employees are: Nathan Arnold, son of Kevin Arnold, from Central Montcalm High School; Jennifer Bean, daughter of Dave Bean, from Ferris State University Dental Hygienist Program; Brean Bush, daughter of Ted Bush, from Greenville High School; Terry Gasper, son of Dan Gasper, from Ferris State University; Megan Gigowski, daughter of Jon Gigowski, from Lakeview High School; Blake Mason, son of Brian Mason, from Michigan Technological University; Erin Myers, daughter of Terry Myers, from Vestaburg High School; Richard Ring, son of Rich Ring, from Belding High School; Brandon Ross, son of Tony Ross, from Ionia High School; Kaleb Scott, son of Dave Scott, from Vestaburg High School; and Jordan Wallin, daughter of Greg Wallin, from Greenville High School.



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