

HILLYARD TECH TALK

Our mission is to prepare HTC students for workforce success and continuous learning.

Winter 2013-14

HTC



Hillyard Technical Center

The School District of St. Joseph



HTC Helps Habitat for Humanity



George Hoeffner, instructor of the CONSTRUCTION program, received the 2013 Habitat for Humanity Education Partner award on behalf of Hillyard Technical Center. Mr. Hoeffner and his class worked with Habitat for Humanity to build garden boxes for Humboldt Elementary School. The elementary students then planted vegetables to share with families in their neighborhoods. The plaque states, "In Appreciation of Your Generous Commitment and Support of the Mission of St. Joseph Habitat for Humanity, 2013."

Health Services – Community Blood Drive

On Tuesday, October 8, 2013, the HEALTH SERVICE ASSISTANCE class helped coordinate the Community Blood Center blood drive. Mobile blood drives such as these account for more than 60% of the blood needed to keep our hospitals adequately supplied. Without the help of people like the Hillyard Technical students and staff, it would be difficult to collect the blood needed each day for our family, friends, and neighbors. At our Hillyard Tech blood drive, the Community Blood Center staff registered 96 volunteers and collected 79 units of blood. There were 34 first time donors. The Health Service Assistance class wants to thank everyone that volunteered to help with the blood drive. We hope to see everyone at our next HTC Community Blood Center blood drive in February.



Medical Transcription — Adopted Family

Hillyard Technical Center students in the Medical Transcription program adopted former student Amy Becker this Christmas. Amy Becker has struggled this year with illness and was recently diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis. She also has two young special needs children.

When the students heard about family if they could adopt her. said Dr. Colleen Becker, Amy's Learning Center. "They just knew sure she was taken care of." The flowers to Amy while she was illness.



Amy's situation, they asked the "They don't know her from Adam," mother and a counselor at Webster the situation and wanted to make students also sent cards and hospitalized recently for her

The students asked Dr. Becker to make a wish list of items that Amy and her family could use, and presented four large boxes and two laundry baskets full of items to Amy's sons.

AG Students Visit Graves-Chapple Research Center's ANNUAL AG EDUCATION DAY

On September 27, 2013, AG students from HTC were visitors at the Graves-Chapple Research Center for ANNUAL AG EDUCATION DAY. Established in 1988, the Graves-Chapple Farm is a research and demonstration site located in southwest Atchison County and Northwest Holt County. Studies at this site are devoted to various agronomic practices, with a major emphasis on the production of corn and soybeans. Work with forages, other row crops and alternative crops is also conducted. This site is somewhat unique in the state due to the soil types and the predominance of no till planting techniques. Soil conservation and water quality issues are also addressed. The farm strives to perfect practices that will maintain or increase the profitability for area crop producers.



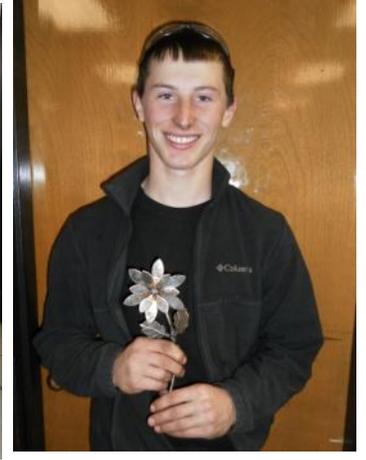
MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION — 3 FOR 3

Three adult students, **NATASHA RANSOM**, **EMILY HART** and **LELA ENRIQUEZ** sat for their boards and passed for CNA, also passing their clinical assessments. As a result, three certified nurse assistants sit in the Medical Transcription class. Congratulations, ladies!



Welding Goes Wild!

Aaron Bennett, WELDING instructor, encouraged his students to “be creative.” As a result of their creativity, “Banjo” was born, created by **Will Small** (Senior at Plattsburg). Will also teamed up with **Eli Rhea** (Senior at Maysville), and “Bob” was born. The Christmas tree and flower were made by **Mitchell Boothe** (Senior at Osborn).



HVAC

HVAC Excellence Electrical Certification

On December 18, 2013, the following people took the HVAC Excellence Electrical exam and received a passing score:

Donovan Brown

Paul Stiens

Jacoby Wynkoop

This exam is the first of three that the Post Secondary HVAC/R students are to take. This is a huge accomplishment that requires many hours of study and training.



Director, **Dennis Merritt**, and
HVAC Instructor, **Rick Dorssom**

The Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) program at Hillyard Technical Center went through a reaccréditation process recently. The program is accredited through HVAC Excellence. Rick Dorssom, instructor for the HVAC program, completed a Self-Study and gathered documents for a review team. This team consisted of Coy Gibson, from Knoxville, TN, and Thomas Tebbe, from Ida, LA. They looked at various aspects of the program, interviewed administration and students, and spoke with the instructor. This process was last completed five years ago. At the time of the exit interview, the team recommended that the HVAC program at Hillyard Technical Center be reaccrédited.

Hillyard has since received the recommendation of the accreditation review board that the HVACR program be granted an accreditation of six (6) years.

Congratulations to Rick Dorssom and his HVAC program!

Construction Home Project

Students from our Construction program Recently built benches for our lobby at HTC.

A job well done!!



Coy Gibson, Knoxville, TN; **Jill Huntsman**, HTC Assistant Director; **John DeLee**, HTC Adult Education Coordinator; **Rick Dorssom**, HTC HVAC Instructor; and **Thomas M. Tebbe**, Ida, LA

“Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.” - John Wooden

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Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.

Theodore Roosevelt

JANUARY:

Jan 6 First day of School in 2014
Jan 20 No School—Martin Luther King Day
Jan 24 PROGRESS REPORTS—D's and F's only
Jan 27-31 Sophomore Tour Week @ HTC

FEBRUARY:

Feb 1 DEADLINE: Dental Hygiene Applications
Feb 3 HTC Scholarship info to classes/forms distributed
Feb 14 PROGRESS REPORTS—ALL STUDENTS
Feb 15 DEADLINE: LPN Applications
Feb 17 No School—President's Day
Feb 18 No School—Professional Development
Feb 28 DEADLINE: Radiology Tech Applications

DRINKING AND DRIVING DOES KILL!

The St. Joseph Youth Alliance and Drug Free Community Coalition wants to remind students that drinking and driving does kill!



Car driven by Jody Sue Bauman, who was killed by a drunk driver on March 22, 1996.