Donations Drive Hands-on Training in Diesel Technology Program

Students in Rosedale Technical College’s diesel technology program will benefit from a truck donation made by long-time partner Hill International Trucks LLC. The donation included a low-mileage 2012 International ProStar truck and will be incorporated into the hands-on curriculum offered at the college.

Hill International Trucks LLC is a heavy- and medium-duty truck and trailer dealership with locations in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Originally founded in 1897 as an International Harvester farm equipment dealer, they now have a 70 plus year history of selling new equipment under the International Truck franchise as well as all makes of used equipment.

Representing Hill International Trucks at the donation ceremony included Jack Hill, Owner; Mike Barber, President; Joe Mazur, Service Manager at the Eighty Four, PA location; Mike Chronister, Human Resource Manager; Steve Smith, Mobile Maintenance Manager; Mark Bonnado, Service Manager at the East Liverpool, OH location; and Jared Williams, General Manager at the Eighty Four, PA location.

“Hill International Trucks believes in the future of Rosedale Tech’s diesel program. We have been involved with them for many years across all avenues and have employed many Rosedale Tech graduates,” said Joe Mazur.

“Our goal at Hill International is to partner with colleges like Rosedale Tech and to provide the necessary materials to help grow this high demand field.”

In April, Rosedale Tech launched its new 10-year strategic plan initiative, known as The Five Star Focus, which aims to elevate the trades in our region. The Five Star Focus identifies five key objectives that align with the college’s student-centered values and embrace the evolving industry trends. The five pillars include Innovate Teaching and Learning, Enhance the Student Experience, Build Capacity, Advance the College, and Grow Enrollment. One of the key action items included in Rosedale Tech’s strategic plan includes expanding and leveraging employer relationships to improve labs, training equipment and student skills.

“Collaboration between colleges and employers is a critical component as we make progress in closing the skills gap. Rosedale Tech is proud to be aligned with industry leaders like Hill International in the mission to enhance our students’ experience,” said Dennis Wilke, President of Rosedale Technical College.

Hill International’s truck donation is one of a few equipment donations Rosedale Technical College has recently received, which is part of the college’s strategic plan to expand training opportunities in the labs.

Other donations include a brand new 2018 Duramax diesel engine from Cochran Automotive, conduit bending tools from Klein Tool for the electrical technology program, and a commitment from Mazda for equipment in the automotive labs. In addition, the college secured a grant through the PNC Foundation to purchase mobile laptop carts to be utilized in Rosedale Tech’s high-tech automotive and diesel labs.

If you are a company or organization that would like to make a donation to the nonprofit college, please give us a call today at (800) 521-6262.

Looking for a New Career? Check Out Elite Gasfield Services’ Company-Sponsored Program at Rosedale Tech

With a high demand for skilled labor workers, employers are taking new measures to fill vacant positions with companies, including tuition reimbursement, company-sponsored training, and more.

Rosedale Technical College is proud to announce that it has recently partnered with Elite Gasfield Services for company-sponsored CDL training.

“Elite is looking for qualified drivers, and we realized that we needed to do more to fill these positions,” said Brandon Mango, Vice President at Elite. “We chose to work with Rosedale Tech because of their great reputation for training skilled technicians in our region. We look forward to continuing to grow our partnership with the college.”

Headquartered in Midland, PA (Beaver County), Elite has multiple yard locations in the Western PA region and offers water hauling, mud hauling, flow-back fluid, production water, winch truck service, pipe hauling, equipment moves, hot-shot trucking, and general labor services to customers who work the Marcellus and Utica Shale plays throughout Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio.

Great benefits packages are also available for Elite employees, including an annual boot credit, uniforms, PPE (Personal protective equipment), health insurance, paid holidays, overtime, and more!

No experience is necessary to explore the opportunity to become a CDL driver with Elite Gasfield Services.

For more information on the company-sponsored CDL training program with Elite Gasfield Services, please visit our website at www.RosedaleTech.org/ elitegasfieldservicestraining/ or call (412) 521-6200.
Congratulations Rosedale Tech Graduates

On Friday, June 1st, Rosedale Tech celebrated the graduation of 184 students in front of a packed audience of friends and family at the Crowne Plaza in Green Tree. Automotive and Collision grad Darius Donnell caught the attention of the entire audience when he kicked off the ceremony with his phenomenal rendition of the Star Spangled Banner.

After President Wilke addressed the graduating class, guest Speaker Alum Matthew Linko '12, who is the Technical Trainer for FRAM Group spoke on his experience at Rosedale and how it helped him get to where he is today.

Auto and Diesel Instructor, Matt Gaetano ’06 Rosedale Tech took the stage to speak to the students about working hard to make a future for themselves.

Student speakers included diesel graduates Evan Longo and Byron Hannah II.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST OF LUCK TO THE CLASS OF 2018!

Automotive
Associate in Specialized Technology Degree

Automotive Diploma
Scott M Barton Cody M Davis Alexander M McPhearson Matthew S Smith Joshua J Todd Benjamin M Tischannen Nadir H Tyler Alexen M Van Kirk

Diesel
Associate in Specialized Technology Degree


Diesel Diploma
Brian P Farkas Taylor M Heasley Evan R G Hopkins Joseph M Magnone Zachary T McCoy Jadell Monfield Jr Joshuah D Pohl Mark C Snyder Jr Jacob R Wallace

Electrical
Associate in Specialized Technology Degree

Electrical Diploma
Ian K Lee Francis M Maiolo Anthony J Natale John P Orison Donald S Stawecki Charles R Zahn

HVAC
Associate in Specialized Technology Degree
Moriah A Bialewski Thomas A Catracchia Jacin L Fowers Jeffrey L Jones Jr Shawn C Kolting

Steven F Mattola Jordan M Miller Leyland S Sams Daniel J Sherbine Daniel J Tevis Patrick A Vennon Samuel Williams III

Industrial Technician
Associate in Specialized Technology Degree
Charles A Delore Anson M Harding Joseph R Martin

Collision
Associate in Specialized Technology Degree
Jacob C Blair Jason R Coates Jr Joshua C Conley Darius A Donnell Logan D Foutz Michael R Van Auker

Truck Driving
Diploma

Welding
Diploma

SAVE THE DATES!

JULY 10TH, 2018•STUDENT PICNIC
JULY 20TH, 2018•GOLF OUTING
AUGUST 25TH, 2018
FREE ADMISSION OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT
MARCH 8TH, 2019•WOMEN IN THE TRADES
“I would recommend the trucking industry to anyone looking to travel and Rosedale Tech is the place to get trained to do so,” said Jefferson. In the future, Jefferson hopes to someday buy his own truck and work as an owner-operator.

Fast forward almost two years and that is exactly what he is doing now…

Jefferson Castano is now the co-owner of Jefferson Cargo LLC, a privately held company in Flower Mound, Texas. His father helped him financially and is the other owner of the company.

“The plan when I started Rosedale was to get my CDL and open my business.” He told Rosedale Tech instructors what his plans were, they suggested that he start working for a company to learn with them before starting his own business.

Jefferson Cargo LLC has been operating for one year now and offers flatbed services. “Heavy equipment, oil pipe, automotive or anything that the flatbed can hold” Jefferson said. With Jefferson’s previous experience with TMC, he said that safety was always their number one priority and he has taken that same outlook into his company as well. He likes that he gets to be selective on loads weight and locations. Jefferson said that if he notices the load maybe more complicated than he feels comfortable with, he can always reject it if he wants too.

We asked Jefferson where he sees himself in 5 and 10 years. In 5 years he would like his company to own 10 trucks. In ten years he hopes that his company continues to grow and that he will be able to retire from driving and oversee the company.

His advice he would like to give to Rosedale Tech students considering entrepreneurship: “Develop good habits and be consistent. Sometimes, there are going to be obstacles but don’t give up and just let the business to fail. Don’t expect everything to be perfect right away. Just keep going and you will get it.”

Congratulations May 2018 Award Recipients!

Instructors Choice – Cumulative perfect attendance for one full semester

Diesel: Alexander Cecchini, Joseph Huerbin

Electrical: Shawn Riley

Industrial Technician: David Brown, Arthur Scott

Presidential: Cumulative GPA of 3.4 or Higher after at least one semester

Automotive: Grady Canavan, Nicholas Rink, Robert Anderson, Rufino Escarcega, Sean Mackrell, Amon Johnson, Austin Beddow, Bryce Harvard-Broadax, Cameron Lennin, Matthew Etterle, Nicholas Richards, Ryan Krause, Ashley Wallace, Cody Andrews, Jarrod West, Raymond Damron, Russell Thompson

Diesel: Andrew Ross, Joseph Knotts, Joshua Leiter, Kasey Sullivan, Austin Dusold, Austin Story, Brendan Ludwick, Charles Fleming, Cody Lancaster, Courtney Castelli, Dakota Metallik, Jacob Downey, Joseph Matejich, Justin Lewis, Justin Topley, Mark Pyrk, Robert Chabaille, Ryan Volosky, Tyler Millard, Dakota Sonney, Gerald Beadnell, Jacob Pecorriale, Robert Kuchinski, William Graham

Electrical: Jordan McIntyre, Gabrielle Johnson, Noah Meier, Rick Smith, Aspen Carroll, Kyle Wipe

HVAC: Chad Flora, Isaac Sweat, Jaquan Brazil, Zakeky Householder, Drew Vith, Jeffrey Olmeier, Mason Safra, Randall Urich, Robert Mannino

Industrial Technician: Charles Devore

Welding: Logan Glenn

Rosedale Ace: Cumulative GPA of 4.0 or after at least one semester

Automotive: Drew Michaels, Jarret Pipes, Nathan Drennon, Samuel Rangid, Mark Marinck, Michael Yeasts, Nicholas Rarey

Diesel: Julian Mancuso, Alexander Cecchini, Joseph Huerbin, Noah Jacobs, Ryan Kowaly, Steven Maile, William Pfahl, Andrew Michak, Austin Fish, Christian Cummings, Cory Adams, James Gile

Electrical: John Marshall, Shawn Riley, Brian Waterki, Justin Williams, Ryan Lindner, Shandler Zysk, Thomas Miller, Bryan Telesz, Jack Miller, Jared Suter, Jason Burnette, Michael Carlone, Otto Peternel, Timothy Ziegler

HVAC: Jacin Flowers, Jordan Miller, Donovan Hinke, Jeremia Scaccia, Mike Willms, Jordan Piot, Nic Mosirillo

Industrial Technician: Arthur Scott, David Brown

Most Improved: Sam Williams (HVAC)

Helping Hand Award: Jacin Flowers (HVAC), Mike Willms (HVAC), Dakota Sonney (Diesel)

Extra Effort Award: Jacin Flowers (HVAC), Hinke Donovan (HVAC), Mike Willms (HVAC), Chad Flora (HVAC), Jeremia Scaccia (HVAC), Isaac James (HVAC), Jason Morley (Diesel)

Community Service Award: Jeremia Scaccia (Diesel)
Mountains.

Instructor Brian Pierce, a familiar face from our evening program, will now be here during the day. We are pleased to welcome Brian Pierce to the daytime collision repair faculty, beginning in August.

In addition, Brian has recently been named lead instructor for collision repair. Rosedale Tech welcomed Brian as its first instructor for the collision repair technology program when it first started in the evening in 2016. Brian has over 13 years of experience teaching hot rod and metal fabrication courses at an area trade school. He received a collision refinishing technology degree from Wyotech Laramie in Laramie, Wyoming. In addition, Brian earned a Bachelor’s degree in vocational education from Oswego State University of New York and a Master’s degree in adult education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Brian resides in Blairsville, PA with his wife Amy, and two young children, Everly and Tucker.

Meet Greg Lassinger

Greg Lassinger is pleased to welcome Greg Lassinger as the new evening collision repair technology instructor. Greg began his role as instructor in May.

A graduate of Ohio Technical College’s auto collision program, Greg has obtained a wealth of experience in the field. For over 15 years, Greg has worked as a lead body shop technician for First Student (formerly Laidlaw Transit). While there, he led a team of 10 body technicians and two mechanics. Some of Greg’s certifications include: ASE Master Collision Technician, Class B CDL, Spartan Chassis certificate, Car-o-liner certificate, Chief Straightening Systems certificate, Power Lift Truck License certificate, First Student Preventive Maintenance and inspection certificate, and MAC Air Conditioning certificate. Greg hopes to bring a new perspective to the program from his background in the fleet industry as well as work with Instructor Brian Pierce to further grow the collision repair program.

A resident of Butler, PA, Greg enjoys golfing, working on antique tractors, and spending time with his wife (Katie) and two sons (Evan, 2 and William, 4).

RUN, ROSEDALE, RUN!

President Dennis Wilke and Director of Enrollment Services Dave Detar participated running legs in the 200 mile Ragnar Race over the weekend of June 15-16. The 200-ish mile overnight relay journey kicked off in Lancaster, PA, and they finished the race in the Poconos Mountains.

Rosedale Tech in the Community

The Ohio Valley Hospital and Kennedy Township held its 37th annual 5k on May 12th.

Rosedale Tech’s Director of Student Enrollment, Dave Detar ran in the race making this his 4th time participating. In December of 2014, Dave was out for a run when he felt tightness on the right side of his chest and had to stop his running. He was having a heart attack and a few hours later he had a stent put in.

After some at home recovery, Dave was cleared to begin cardiac rehabilitation in March 2015. In reviewing the available locations, the Ohio Valley Hospital stood out. Just 5 minutes from Rosedale, it allowed morning therapy sessions to fit perfectly into his schedule.

While completing rehab, Dave noticed signs for the Ohio Valley Hospital 5k race and ran it for the first time in 2015. Having a good connection with the hospital staff, he returned to run their race again in 2016 and 2017.

This year, Rosedale Tech’s REV Squad made a donation to sponsor the cost of the DJ for the race that was present throughout the event and during the award ceremonies. “The REV Squad” is an acronym for Rosedale Enrichment Volunteer. This is a Volunteer/Community Outreach service formed by the faculty and staff members at Rosedale Tech. The group highlights, promotes and participates in various charitable/community service events important to the members of the Rosedale family.

“For me, this year’s race tied everything together: a good facility where I completed my cardiac rehab, a great place to work providing a sponsorship, a competitive and challenging 5k race and an age group victory, Dave Detar said.

We are so proud of Dave and will continue to cheer him on with all his running accomplishments.