

JULY , 2000

Graduation at Ferris State ***MSCA Contractors Hire Majority of Graduates*** ***Top Earner for the Graduating Class Hired by MCAA*** ***Contractor***

Graduation is always a terrific occasion. Four years of hard work, late nights studying (and other things), and preparing for your future, comes to an end as you begin your life in what is referred to as "the real world". It was no different for the members of the MSCA Ferris State Student Chapter, as the first group of our officers earned their degrees and began their new life as full-time employees of the Heating-Ventilating-Air-Conditioning-Refrigeration industry

Along with greatly increasing the number of graduates going to our contractors, this year the student who was hired at the top wage was an MSCA member, who has gone to work at the offices of MCAA's Past President Bill McClure, The McClure Company. Bill met the student at the MSCA National Conference at Lake Tahoe and became interested in hiring him. Needless to say, this has helped increase the number of individuals interested in attending.



Above- L. to R.- Richard Zink, and Chapter President Kevin Dettling

Ed Belenger, II, Immediate Past President of the Chapter, serving two years



We were immensely gratified that the majority of the graduating seniors went to either MCAA or MSCA Contractors. All of the officers who graduated went to contractors from our state and national memberships, and all had been previous scholarship winners.

We wish them the best as they begin what we know will be exemplary careers in the HVACR Industry. Our Chapter expects great things from them, and we know that we won't be disappointed.



Left - Jeremy Tell, Myron Rampage, and Brad Fredericks (back individual unidentified. Right- L. to R.- Vice President, Beth Sandelius, and Brad Fredricks.

"Life After Ferris"

The Final speaker for the Greater Michigan MSCA's Student Chapter at Ferris State University was a familiar face for the Chapter, Scott House, a Ferris State Graduate and Alumni of the HVACR Program, was essential in the establishment of the Student Chapter and the first alumni member of the Chapter.

Scott has been with Johnson Controls since graduating from Ferris. He informed the membership on what his job with the company entails and how his career has gone since graduation.

He reviewed the many opportunities available for the students and answered their questions. Always close to the chapter, Scott volunteered to assist the students in any way he could.

Graduation Marks Good-Bye To Good Friends



Graduation from Ferris State University marked new beginnings for the graduates. For the Greater Michigan MSCA it meant good-bye to a number of good friends. The 2000 Graduation saw three individuals, who throughout the past three years, have been instrumental in making the Chapter successful.

L. to R.- Pictures at a HEAT'S ON Program- Kevin Dettling, Jeremy Tell, Ed Belanger, Chris Taylor and Beth Sandelius.

MAY , 2000

1999-2000 Chapter Retreat

As the year ends at Ferris State University, so ends an impressively successful third year of the Greater Michigan MSCA Student Chapter at FSU. We ended the year with 32 members, and a full report of the numerous activities for the past year. At our Annual Retreat we took stock of what we accomplished and what we need to consider for programs for the upcoming year. Along with its Annual Report, there is another way to define the success of the Chapter. With the limited resource of time for extra curricular activities available to students, we had three students running for each of the positions of President and Vice President, and two students running



each for Treasurer and Secretary. Quite a statement on the success of the program, and the work the Chapter officers have donated these past three years.

Above L. to R.- Vice President Beth Sandelius, Joe Parker and Treasurer Rodney Cook

Retreat Brings Agressive Schedule for 2000-2001 Programs

L. to R. Joe Lundy and President Kevin Dettling



APRIL, 2000

***Ninth Year of Greater MI PMC/MSCA and UA
190 Taking Care of the Elderly***

Project HEAT'S ON

Project HEAT'S ON (Handicapped and Elderly Assistance To Service Our Neighbors), co-sponsored by the Greater Michigan Plumbing & Mechanical Contractors Association, Inc., (PMC), and UA Local 190, Plumbers / Pipe Fitters / Service Technicians / Gas Distribution, was a resounding success.

In its ninth year in Washtenaw County, HEAT'S ON continues to be a community service that not only provides free safety inspections and minor repairs of heating systems, but also helps to insure the homeowner's safety with new smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

At a kick-off breakfast hosted by Local 190 and PMC, volunteers were given jackets to identify them as **Project HEAT'S ON** participants. Then, service technicians were teamed with apprentices and other volunteers ready to spend their Saturday meeting the needs of the community.

The program participants cleaned and checked 65 furnaces along with installing Carbon Monoxide Detectors and Smoke Detectors. After the work of the day was done, everyone came back for lunch. It also gives the volunteers time for fellowship, catching up with friends is always important.

Assisting Elderly In Need

Furnace Replacement

One of the intricacies to running the HEAT'S ON Project is the follow-up work that comes after the day. This year we had to replace three furnaces. The replacements take a number of different configurations including assistance from the Family Independence Living departments, to the need for the Association to pay for the replacement.

The most difficult replacement this year was a project that involved enormous effort on the part of the apprentices who were working on the project under difficult conditions. The homeowner was very sick and had a furnace that he had begun replacing himself before he became ill. This necessitated a totally new installation, new ductwork, and a new furnace. The installation was complicated due to the unbelievably small crawl space the apprentices had to work in to put in the new ductwork.

MARCH, 2000

Looking for the Brightest and Best

Ferris State University Jobs Fair



The Jobs Fair at Ferris State University continues to be one of the industries best avenues for bringing HVACR students into the industry. The industry, through the Michigan MCA jointly sponsor a booth with the Michigan Pipe Trades, outlining the career paths open to them through association with our organizations. It also enables us to collect resumes from the students to make available to contractors interested in hiring either summer help, interns, or full-time employees after they have graduated

from either the two or four year program. Contractors, along with individual unions increasingly see this as an excellent place to begin a dialog with the students, and participate at the day long event.

School Board Members Conference

Another important area to expose to the construction industry is to the members of the local school boards throughout Michigan. A number of individuals participated at their statewide conference in Grand Rapids. The cooperation of the various factions of the construction industry was most apparent at this program, as all booths were attached together in one long show of support.

Student Chapter Holds First Aid Training Program

The MSCA Student Chapter at Ferris State University recently held their ***First Aid & CPR Training Program*** of the year 2000. The program was sponsored by Greater Michigan MSCA and put on by Michigan Construction Trades Safety Institute (MCTSI).



MCTSI is a Michigan Constuction Labor-Management Initiative brought about by a cross section of labor and management (association) interests from within Michigan's organized construction industry. It does safety training throughout the state on jobsites, classrooms, and union halls.

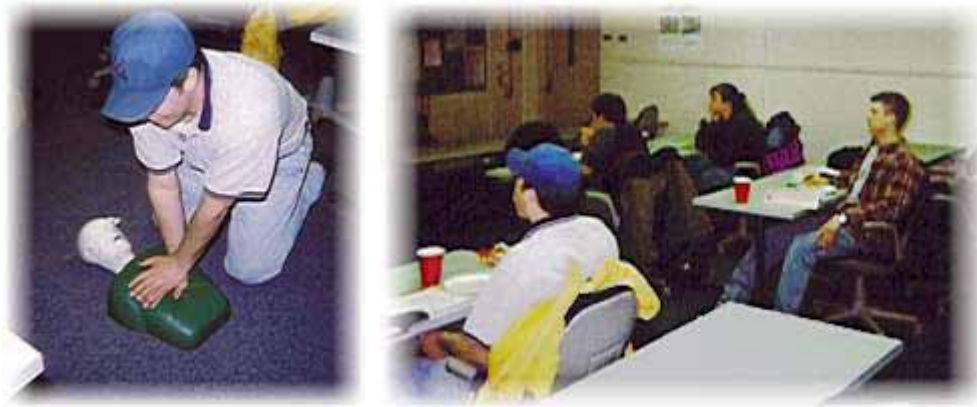
The course was for individuals who did not have current CPR & First Aid certification cards. The program was begun by the Greater Michigan MSCA last year, for its Student Chapter to give members one additional item to prepare them for working in the industry.

Upon successful completion of the 8-hour course, participants recieved a Save-A-Life Club card valid for



one year. Enrollees are eligible to attend yearly refresher courses. By attending a refresher course each year, initial certification cards will be automatically renewed.

Refresher courses will be scheduled for the students who took the training last year so that as they graduate they will have up-to-date first aid cards.



**ANUARY,
2000
FSU
Chapter
Tours
Grand
Rapids
Post Office
Installation**

The Ferris State University Student Chapter recently toured the Grand Rapids Post Office Building renovation by Holwerda-Huizinga, Inc.

The tour was organized by the Chapter's Contractor Advisor Russ Borst, who is Vice President of Service with Holwerda Huizinga, Inc.



The Project involved a complete boiler change out and installation of a completely new Honeywell EXL5000 PDC Control System.

The tour was conducted by Tom Maguire, a staff member of the Post Office's Maintenance Department. Mr Maguire, is also a Ferris State University Alumni.

Pictured left- Tom Magurie, Grand Rapids Post Office reviews old records with Keven Dettling and FSU Instructor and Chapter Advisor Scott Leach

During the course of the tour students were given the opportunity to ask questions, examine the installation, tour the working post office upstairs, as the employees were sorting mail to see the difference the installation was making.



Left- L to R. Russ Borst, and Tom Maguire with students- Right- Students with Questions

Tours of this type gives the students an excellent opportunity to see the types of projects they are studying about in action. Outings for the upcoming winter session include: a tour of a service contractor's office, and an additional jobsite tour in the Spring.

Chapter Begins Educational Program Planning for New Year

Greater Michigan MSCA's Educational Committee is in the process of finalizing the training agenda for the upcoming year. The program is divided into four parts: Contractor Education, Service Manager Education, Service Technician Education and HVACR Apprentice special Educational Programs. The specialized programs are an effort by the Greater Michigan PMC to answer the needs of all divisions of the organization. Committee Chairman Keven Birk of Boone & Darr, Inc., is striving to have the program outlined by February.

Past President Belanger Honored

Ed Belanger, II, the immediate Past President of the MSCA's Ferris State University Student Chapter was honored at a recent membership meeting for the tremendous amount of time and effort he has put into the Chapter.

Ed was the first President of the organization. Through his dedication and the dedication of numerous individuals on the Chapter Board and membership, the Chapter has been taken to tremendous heights. President Kevin Dettling presented Ed with a Past President plaque at the Chapter meeting, thanking him for the tremendous time and energy he had put into the Chapter in its formative years.

First Membership Drive A Success

The first membership drive for the FSU Student Chapter's 1999-2000 school year was a terrific success.

The meeting featured reports by the members who attended the MSCA National Conference. Chapter members present discussed their internship during the past summer, and the jobs that they will be going into after graduation. Chapter Advisor Sandra Miller also reviewed the benefits of membership in the Chapter.