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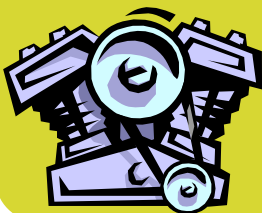
On April 10th, 2010, The Manufacturing program is sponsoring the 2010 SKILLS/USA (VICA) competition here in our JJC machine shop for 20 high school student competitors for the Illinois Precision Machining state contest.

More information will follow.



On April 15-17th 2010, the Automotive department will be sending 11 students to Springfield to compete in Skills USA State Automotive Competition.

Last year Automotive took 1st and 3rd place as well as 8th through 13th place.



Good-Bye...Hello

It is with great sadness that the Technical Department must say good-bye in May to our most treasured Department Chair and Electrical/Electronics Automated Systems Professor, Glen Mazur.

Mr. Mazur has been a great part of Joliet Junior College for 36 years, sharing with others his knowledge and passion for EEAS, Green and JJC. Glen has also contributed his knowledge to American Technical Publishing through the writing of over 20 various textbooks.

Please take a moment and stop by to say good-bye.



It is also with great pleasure to say hello to the Technical Departments new Department Chair, Greg Pakieser. Greg was voted in by his peers in March and will begin his position in May.

Mr. Pakieser has been a great part of Joliet Junior College for 9 years with our Construction Management program while serving on various different committees. Greg comes with past experience in leadership where he held positions from foremen to VP of Operations in the construction industry.

Please stop by and welcome Greg into his new position.



Earning a Badge in Engineering



With the assistance of Adam Montgomery, a 7th grade science teacher from the Lake Forest school district, Technical depart-

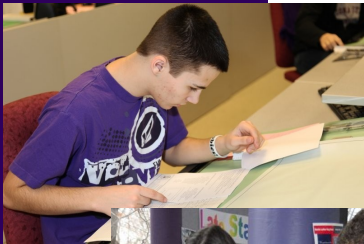
ment Professor John Koepke hosted a group of Webelos Scouts in January.

Through the use of Lego Rob lab, Professor Koepke was able to get the boys excited about the world of engineering and all that makes up the process of designing a robot. This activity helped the boys earn their engi-

neering badge while opening their minds to a new possible career path and how JJC can help them get there.



Challenging the Community



This spring JJC Technical department hosted two competitions challenging local high school students on knowledge they've learned in school as they begin preparing their paths for the future.

At the end of January, the Technical department and BEST Partnership hosted the 9th Annual Robotics Challenge. This challenge allows students to test their math, science and problem solving skills through the building of Robots and competing in various written and board chal-

lenges. This years novice (1st time participants) winners were Joliet West High School whom took 1st and 2nd and Lemont whom took 3rd. In the Expert division 1st place went to Plainfield South, 2nd to Glenbard East and 3rd to GAVC.

In March the Technical Department CADD program hosted the states IDEA Competition for its 7th year. This competition also test students math, science and drafting skills and various levels of depth. This year 179 students partici-

pated, 48 taking the written exam and 131 taking the drafting exam. Winners from each of the 7 divisions progress on to the state finals at Illinois State University in April to compete to determine who is the best in the state. We would like to wish them all the best of luck at State finals.



Green Tip Of The Month

Spring is here and its time to open the windows and air out the house, for many it is time for spring cleaning. Remember to go green and recycle any gently used items by donating them rather than taking them to the trash. This will help reduce your carbon footprint while helping the less fortunate.

Spreading The Word...



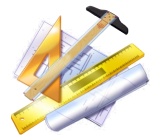
The Technical department received a special invitation from Plainfield South High School to

come and speak to senior students about the various programs that the Technical department offers and the variety of career paths for the students to choose from. Students learned about all 12 programs offered in the Technical department at JJC, speaking specifically with faculty members from various programs of interest, never realizing before the many options

available to them.



Career Night 2010



Come on down and join us for this years annual Architecture, Engineering Construction and Computer Aided Drafting and Design Career night event.

This event is hosted every year to allow the students and community ask important questions about their industry of interest to help ensure that they are on the right path for a successful career, Every participating employers include

Come on out and join us for the AEC/CADD 2010 Career Night! This years event is March 24th from 5 to 7pm in the T-concourse.

some of industries top names including Gilbane, Legat, United Architects, R. Berti Building Solutions, IUOE Local 150, Will County Highway Department and for the new green sector Hawkeye Energy Solutions.

