Recent Event for our Department:

- Our Annual Scholarship Contest went very well. We had teams of three students from fourteen different high schools come and participated in the Championship Round Hands-On Challenge. They completed fourteen stations that covered all eight ASE Areas. The top two schools won a vehicle for their high school program. Third place won a Tech 2 Scan Tool. Top five schools were:
  1. Vale High School
  2. Viewmont High School
  3. Corsicana High School
  4. Timpview High School
  5. Cassia Regional Technical School

- WSU alum Devin Crezee and Sutton Martin from Advantage Technical Resourcing-Ford hosted an information session with our students and shared information about job opportunities for both Advantage Technical Resourcing and The Ford Technical Assistance Center.
Curriculum:
Currently Being Taught:

- The ATEP 1st semester freshmen are currently in their second electrical class being taught by Will Speigle.
- The ATEP 2nd semester Freshman are in their first steering and suspension course being taught by Blair Newbold.
- The ATEP 1st semester Sophomores are in their Engine Control Systems course also being taught by Will Speigle.
- The ATEP 2nd semester Sophomores are in their Automatic Transmissions course being taught by John Kelly.
- The seniors in the Bachelor Degree program have started their Capstone projects. A group is working out all the details to get a 5.9L Cummins running on a stand (pictured right). A senior team is working on an electrical system controlled by an android tablet. As well as a student doing an emissions study of the cars that commute to campus everyday.

Announcements:
SkillsUSA:
Automotive students Chris Westmoreland, Parviz Nadri, and Jed Cawley competed in the regional SkillsUSA competition and took 1st place. They will go on to compete in the state competition held at Salt Lake Community College.

Graduation Banquette:
The Automotive Department is planning a graduation banquet for the 2015-2016 academic school year. We will be inviting everyone that has graduated in that academic year. We will be handing out sashes for gradation as well as giving Outstanding Graduating Student Awards.
It will be at the Timbermine Steak House. We are excited to recognize our graduates and start a tradition of doing this every Fall and Spring.
Student of the Month: Dimitare Tatchukov

Dimitare received his AAS in Automotive Technology from Shoreline Community College. He is currently a senior earning a Dual Major BS in Advanced Vehicle Systems and Field Service Operations. He is an ASE Certified Master Tech. He enjoys tuning up cars in his free time.

Faculty and Staff Member of the Month: Will Speigle

Will has an AAS in GM ASEP, BS in Automotive Technology and Professional Sales from Weber State University, as well as a Masters Degree in Instructional Technology and Learning Sciences from Utah State University. He worked for two years at Peterson Motors Co. as a GM technician and for two years at Auddrey’s Auto Services as a technician. He then worked as a Service Engineer at the Ford Hotline before moving on to General Physics Cooperation as a New Vehicle Launch Training Specialist. His next career move was to teach at Weber State University as well as for the National Center for Automotive Science and Technology. He is also leading the charge in Advanced Emissions Research for Weber State University.

Auto Tech Club

Recent Events:

The club attended the Utah International Auto Expo. They displayed the Kiazen Cobra and had the opportunity to network with prospective students, and industry leaders such as Sam Young from Young Automotive Group. (pictured top right)

They also attended the 42nd Annual O’Reilly Auto Parts Autorama. Which gave them the opportunity to participate in Student Career day and show off the progress on the Kiazen Cobra.

Kaizen Cobra:

Bare Bone Customs has been meeting with the club members for a couple weeks now. They recently fabricated the hood. As well as put the first coat of primer on the body. The are working on fabricating a dash mount for the 10” android tablets they will be using to control the car. (pictured bottom right)
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