

DBA: Speed-Tech Equipment
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The "Tool Box"

Welcome to our biannual edition of "The Wrench". Time sure flies! It's hard to believe already half the year of 2012 has passed us by! There has been a LOT of activity since the first of January. Here is a brief summary of some activities in the last six months:

- * Our ESOP (Employee Stock Ownership Plan) was finalized.
- * We purchased additional property just south of our current facility for future expansion.
- * We are renting additional space at Hudsonville storage for our expanding truck dock business.
- * We have expanded our areas of business into Detroit and Toledo, OH for our Compactor and Truck Divisions
- * Since January 1 we have hired 10 additional employees!

As you see, there has been a lot of exciting things happening at Speed Wrench and, Lord willing, many more to come!

~ The Management

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We do it Right...

Right Now!



Light Duty Division

Over the last six months there have been some changes: We have hired two additional employees, a salesman and a technician. Also two of our technicians will be attending Ferris State University in the fall, Jimmy VanHattum Jr. and Kevin Toohey.

Who's New in Light Duty:



1. **Jim Ruiter - Salesman:** Jim joined the Speed Wrench team at the end of April this year. He has been in the automotive related business his whole life and has 10 years of sales experience. For the past 20 years, Jim has lived with his wife Louann and twin sons, Alex and Arie, in Georgetown Township. In his spare time, Jim enjoys taking his sons to the races, camping and pitching for his church league softball team. Welcome Jim!



2. **Kevin Toohey - Technician:** Kevin started at Speed Wrench in the end of May. He heard of the position through his brother Jack and his uncles who work in the Speed-Tech and All Phase Hydraulic divisions. Kevin is a graduate of Grant High School and will be attending Ferris State University this fall. In his spare time, Kevin loves to hunt, fish and go mud bogging. Welcome Kevin!



It is Camping season again!

If your Motor home needs:

- An Oil Change
- A Pre-Trip inspection
- Generator Service
- Or any other engine work

Give Scott Moelker a call:

(616) 669-8777



Heavy Duty Division

Josh Schreiber - Diesel Mechanic: Josh joined the Speed Wrench team at the beginning of this year, taking over where Don Borgic left off. He is currently working in the Heavy Duty Shop while getting his mobile truck set up to hit the road and service at customers locations. Josh's expertise is servicing construction equipment. He is a graduate of Unity Christian High School and Ferris State University. Josh and his wife Carmen live in Hudsonville with their two children, Rozlyn and Levi. In his spare time Josh enjoys hunting. **Welcome Josh!**



Axle Doctor: Steering Axle Boring and Sleeving



Chris Huntley, the Alignment Service Manager, and Brad Wood, an Alignment Technician, traveled to Ohio in April for training on the Axle Doctor: Steering Axle Boring and Sleeving System. We purchased the equipment and are able to perform this service in our shop or at the customer's location. This process can **save the customer time and money** by repairing the axle eye instead of replacing the axle! For more information or to set up an appointment call Chris at: (616) 669-8700.



Body Shop Division

Since Speed Wrench began its Body Shop Division 2 1/2 years ago, it has continued to complement the existing services that have been offered with the same quality you have come to expect. We also continue to show our experience in working with insurance companies to make a seamless process for you in having your vehicle repaired and returned to you in a timely manner. As an authorized Navistar Paint Warranty Center, count on us to take care of any problems you are experiencing with the finish of your vehicle. Give us a call or stop in - we look forward to serving you!



A New Face Milan Holt (aka Joe) - Body Shop Tech - Milan joined the Speed Wrench team this past February and after many failed attempts to pronounce his name correctly, he asked us to please call him Joe. He attended Wyoming Tech for a year, Kent skills for 3 years and graduated from Grandville High School. Previously, Joe worked at Alloy Tek as a designer for the B-1 bomber and F-14 Tomcat. He and his wife Patty, of 22 years, have two children: Cody and Matt. In his leisure, Joe enjoys wood working. **Welcome Joe!**



This 2008 Navistar School Bus had an extensive amount of damage not only to the bumper and hood, as you can see in the picture, but also to the suspension, engine, transmission and frame. The Light Duty and Collision division's technicians worked together to get this bus back on the road as soon as possible. It just goes to prove that no job is too big or small for Speed Wrench's body and mechanical teams.

This 2011 Utilimaster delivery van, with only 15,000 miles, had the owner convinced it was a total loss. The frame was destroyed and the body devastated. The Speed Wrench team had to raise the body off the chassis to replace both the left and right side frame rails, and then repair the floor structure on the van body before all the damaged body panels could be taken care of. After the body panels were replaced,

it was off to our paint shop for a fresh coat of DuPont paint. The end result was a very happy truck owner who could not believe that the truck we brought him back was the same truck that was towed in only a short time before.



See more pictures on next page



Removing the body off of the chassis.



Removing and replacing the damaged frame rails.



The chassis with the new frame rails attached.



Before:



After:



All Phase Hydraulics & Machine

All Phase Hydraulics would like to welcome back **Gary Sluis** after being absent from us for seven months. He is now back and working at his lathe, turning parts as if he had never left! Glad to have you back Gary!

Steve Gaffin - Salesman: Steve joined our team the beginning of this year as a salesman. His primary focus is south of Grand Rapids and towards the lakeshore. He was born and raised in Philadelphia and came to Michigan to attend Calvin College. Steve graduated in 1987 and has been involved in the hydraulic business ever since. He worked at Best Metal Products, a manufacturer of custom hydraulic cylinders, for 21 years as their director of Sales and Marketing. Steve and his wife Linda, of 25 years, have three sons: Joey, Ethan and Tim. As a family they love to travel, watch sports and eat some good food! **Welcome to the team Steve!**



Speed-Tech Equipment

A New Face:

➡ **Dan Bosch - Fabrication Technician:** Dan started in the Speed-Tech division in March 2012 and works in the shop doing steel fabrication and compactor/baler refurbishing. Dan already has a lot of fabricating experience from the shop he owns, DBR Performance Chassis. Dan lives in Grand Haven and is currently engaged to be married to his fiancée, Crystal. He graduated from Grand Haven High School and from Muskegon Community College with an Associate's degree in Auto Technology. Some of Dan's hobbies include truck and tractor pulling, racing and playing softball or baseball in his spare time.



Recent Projects:



➡ This tilter unit was suggested by a safety-ergonomic team to reduce bending over the edge and reaching down into a wooden container to retrieve laundry bags. Now the stainless steel container is tilted up to allow easier removal of the bags. The unit was made to fit the room and height of the chute for improved ergonomics.



Custom Door Installation:

➡ This past spring one of our customers needed a door installed on their steel building. The opening size was 24' wide by 14' tall. They wanted the opening expanded to 30' wide with a new door installed. An overhead door manufacturer offered a custom overhead door application for \$40,000! We partnered with a local building contractor to design and fabricate an upper and lower track system for the two custom fabricated doors to slide on. The idea with the track system is to provide maximum structural support for the door when closed and when sliding open and shut. The customer was very happy with the solution that was developed and especially grateful that the final cost came in at less than \$8,500 installed. That is more than a \$30,000 savings from the overhead door installation quote! If you are having an issue with your building or material handling area, let us know. We are willing to look at your situation and will do what we have to do to provide you with a cost effective solution, even if it takes a little creative innovation.



Before:

After:



Upper & Lower Track

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