

July 2015

Speed Wrench, Inc.



DBA: Speed-Tech Equipment

DBA: All Phase Hydraulics & Machine



Companywide picture from the beginning of this year.

The "Tool Box"

2015 is half way over and it seems like we just got started. There is always a lot of excitement happening at Speed Wrench and the first half of this year was no exception. The one good thing is that we have our building projects behind us (for now) and we are concentrating on the business of doing business. Some areas that we have been focusing our attention this year:

Geographical:

1. Detroit - Probably the best and fastest growing business climate we have experienced in a long time. Brings back memories of Grand Rapids area in the 90's, when housing was growing at break-neck speed. Currently, we have 4 resident technicians and a full-time salesman from our Speed-Tech division working that area.
2. Kalamazoo/Battle Creek - We currently have a resident technician from our truck divisions in this area full-time to service our customer base there, and are looking for additional help within 6 months.
3. Traverse City - Two resident technicians with assistance from GR-based technicians, also in the Speed-Tech division.

Business opportunities:

1. Our crane repair business has been growing steadily since we split that off into a separate division 2 years ago, and currently we have 4 service technicians focused in this area. We have had preliminary discussions of additional building space to accommodate this area of growth and have purchased property next to the Speed Wrench campus in anticipation of future growth needs.
2. We have experienced continued growth in our Body Shop division. Currently we have 5 technicians working this area and are hoping to add 1 additional employee this summer.
3. We have applied and been granted our dealers license to buy and sell used trucks. We hope to use the license primarily to assist our customers with their specific truck purchase needs.

As you can see, we at Speedwrench have been busy looking for and improving on areas in which we can enhance our customers service experience in a positive way, and help them in any way we can to reach their business demands and goals.

~ The Management

We do it Right...Right Now!!

Body Shop Division

⇒ Speed Wrench is the finest truck and bus collision repair and painting facility in the area for body work including collision, painting and body modifications on your truck, bus, van, motor coaches, etc.

⇒ We offer body repair and painting that can prolong the life of a valuable vehicle in a cost-effective way while dramatically reducing capital expense. Speed Wrench can supply you with a plan to refurbish your valuable vehicle by performing any collision, painting, accessory, or body modifications as needed. Give us a call to set up an estimate or schedule work: 616-669-8700.



Above: The men of the body shop taking a moment to smile for a picture and wish you all a wonderful summer!



The semi above and to the left is one of the 193 vehicles involved in the large accident on I-94 this past January. It jack-knifed wrecking the sleeper. The pictures show some of the rebuilding process and finished product!



Before ↗
↘ **After**



Heavy Duty Division



During the past six months, we have seen an increase in business. As always, we kept busy with a variety of work: PM services, alignments, motorhome, crane and hydraulic work, and of course diesel engine and trailer work.



Hello to you all from Heavy Duty!



Light Duty Division



➡ It's R.V. season, as you can tell by the many motorhomes in our parking lot. We've had many new customers this year who are new to the R.V. scene, but also a few long-time customers who are selling their units. If you're looking for a good, used motorhome you can call us and we will try to connect you with our customers that are selling.

Above: We are missing a couple people in the picture, but this is most of our division's personnel! (The missing ones may have been out servicing your company at the time!)

➡ If you're planning a big trip out west or a short trip up north and would like some peace-of-mind, bring in your motorhome for a pre-trip inspection and we will look it over and inform you of any concerns. Also, if you are thinking of purchasing a new unit, consider getting a pre-purchase inspection to receive a better idea of what you're buying. Come in to our shop for a tour or give us a call at 616-669-8777.



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Recent Project: MSU Shredder Relocation

Michigan State University, Surplus Store and Recycling Center looked at relocating the shredder from inside the facility to the outside to improve both air quality and efficiencies inside the plant. The project included dismantling the shredder with a dumper from the existing location inside the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) and moving it to a new custom built stand over the compactor outside. This project entailed constructing a large enclosure that would fully house the shredder and dumper unit to keep the equipment and valuable material dry throughout processing and storage in the receiver box. An exhaust fan was installed to automatically start when the dumper and shredder are engaged. According to MSU Recycling staff, the enclosure allows the University to more efficiently shred paper products, utilize valuable space within the MRF and reduce the dust levels within the facility. MSU continues to serve its campus with a full array of recycling services.

Pictured is the new enclosure sitting over the compactor. The controls are utilized outside of the enclosure, keeping personnel safely away from dumper and shredding unit while in operation.



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William Fell

Previous to joining Speed-Tech, William worked in a variety of jobs including a luggage handler for an airline, builder of wind towers, welder-fabricator and bus driver, to name a few. He has served 15 years with the military, being deployed twice. He lives in Monroe with his wife of 15 years, and two daughters. He enjoys shooting, golfing, camping with his family, and attending church. William is serving the Detroit area as a service technician.



Calvin Van Dyke

Calvin graduated from Plymouth Christian High School and lives on the northeast side of Grand Rapids. He worked for a landscaping business as well as a power-washing business before joining Speed-Tech. An interesting note is that Calvin is son to Johnny Van Dyke (salesman also employed with Speed-Tech). Calvin enjoys quading and spending time at the Silver Lake dunes. Calvin serves as a technician installing docks and shelters, along with performing maintenance on horizontal balers.



Scott Mc Brian

Scott joins our team with many years of experience in repair and maintenance. He spent 15 years with a hot tub company, and also performed welding and fabricating maintenance for various other companies. Scott has lived in Cadillac all his life. He enjoys the outdoors, hunting, fishing and spending time with his three children. Scott serves as a technician in our Northern Michigan territory.



Joel Butts

Joel worked for Truck Dock Services 8 years before coming to Speed-Tech. After high school, Joel attended Lincoln Tech for diesel mechanics and received his bachelor's degree in Applied Science. He has been in the heavy duty industry for 12 years before working on docks and overhead doors. Joel and his wife live with their two daughters in Dorr. He enjoys building, driving off-road vehicles and spending time with his family. Joel serves as a technician in the Southwest Michigan territories.



Martin Johnson

Martin attended and graduated from Fennville Public High School. While in high school, Martin attended a vocational trade school as well. He has 10 years of experience in the building industry. He lives in Fennville, enjoys hunting and fishing, and is soon to be married this summer. Martin has been assisting in dock, door and seal installs.



Larry Koole

Larry joined Speed-Tech as a parts runner. Previously, he was employed with Dykema Excavators for 42 years, and retired in December 2014. Larry has been married for 40 years, has 6 children and 23 grandchildren with one more on the way. He enjoys reading, gardening and watching his grandchildren play sports.

Welcome to the team everyone!

All Phase Hydraulics & Machine



Janelle



Josh



Adrian



Bryan



Rich



➔ All Phase has continued to experience growth in both of our divisions. In order to keep up with the growth there have been a few changes. We have added two new pieces of equipment, a third pick up and delivery vehicle, as well as some new faces:

Janelle Walma - Janelle joined our team this past May as our new Administrative Assistant.

Josh Miner - Josh wears many hats helping in most areas of the operation including machining, welding, assembly, painting and packaging.

Adrian Marcano-Kruz - Adrian came to us with hydraulic cylinder manufacturing experience and fills many roles including assembly, painting and packaging. Adrian is also instrumental in helping keep our inventory organized.

Bryan Martinez - Bryan came to us with hydraulic cylinder manufacturing experience and is a full time machine operator for us.

Rich Ponstein - Rich joined our team this past winter. He is driving our third pick up and delivery truck.

Welcome to the team everyone!

New Equipment Added



➔ We have added a new Fryer 6" CNC lathe to help speed up the turn-around for the cylinder repair division!

➔ We also added a new HAAS VF 3YT machining center to our operation. This machine expands our in-house capabilities and increases fabrication speeds on many parts!



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