



A Word of Appreciation to Our Supporters

Over the years, the Erie County Technical School has been fortunate to receive various contributions of materials and equipment from local businesses and manufacturing facilities.

Many companies have also provided valuable opportunities for students such as co-operative education experiences, job shadowing and internships while others have opened their doors for field trips and tours.

The Plastics Technology program is one of the labs at ECTS that has greatly benefited from generous contributions from business and industry.

We would like to extend our appreciation to the following companies for their donations.

Multi-Plastics granulators
Plastikos an auger-grinder
Plastek materials and colorants
Port Erie Plastics molds
Anderson Plastics a single-zone hot sprue controller
Penn State Erie sharing molds
The Behrend College and materials
Omni-Plastics a 75-ton Van Dorn injection molding machine

"We appreciate the support and contributions from local plastics companies and other related businesses," said Mr. Neil Donovan, high school principal. "We're always looking for volunteers from plastics or manufacturing companies to be guest speakers or to take students on tours of local injection molding facilities. Also, donations of equipment or raw materials can only help to make the program more successful and benefit local companies in the long run

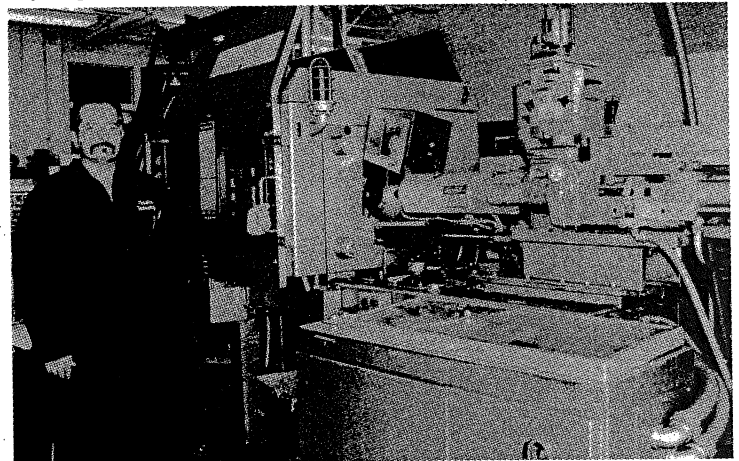


by helping to better prepare students for the workplace," noted Donovan.

In order to accommodate the growing Plastics Technology program and to provide training for students using current technology, ECTS is always seeking

additional equipment or material contributions. At this time, the Plastics Technology lab is in need of cold runner molds to fit a 75- or 100-ton molding machine and molds with hot sprue bushings to fit a 75- or 100-ton injection molding machine.

The Plastics Technology lab would also graciously accept reference materials on injection molding including understanding injection molding, identification of plastics, troubleshooting, set-up and training in plastics technology. Training videos and interactive CD-ROMs that focus on quality assurance, maintenance, mold set-up, part design, right-to-know laws, material drying and safety issues would also be put to good use in the theory section of the Plastics Technology program.



Frank Paparelli, Plastics Technology instructor, stands in front of 75-ton Van Dorn injection molding machine that was donated by Omni-Plastics



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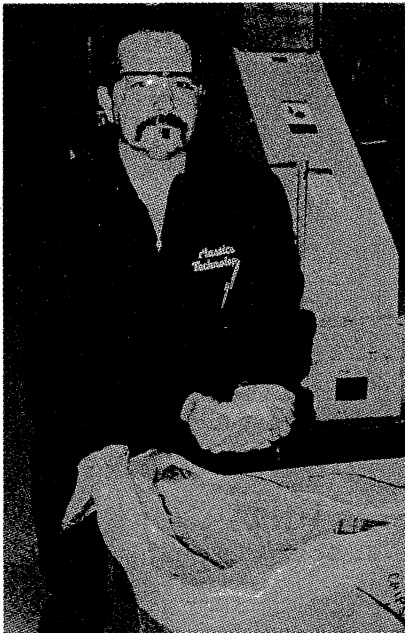
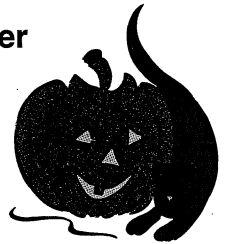
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Attendees at the September Meeting

Marilyn Landis
Brian Young
John Beaumont
Mark DeHaven
Denny Sanders
Bob Carter
Lucy Lenhardt
Jeff Exley
Dave Baird
Denny Bogart
Chris Stewart
Clayton Kirschner
Chris Welsh
Pat Spence
Pete Aretz
Matt Mead
Dwayne Belden
Tiffany Vitale
Jennifer Rogosky
Mark Herman
Jay Schenck



*Frank Paparelli
displays other
contributions
to the
Plastics Technology lab
including colorants
from Plastek
and an
upright grinder from
Multi-Plastics*

*"Providing our
students with up-to-
date equipment is
an ongoing chal-
lenge that we have
been able to meet*

*with the assistance of local businesses," added
Donovan. "Contributions of current equipment, raw
materials and supplies have been very helpful in
supplementing our annual budget allotment. The Erie
County Technical School Foundation is a recognized
501C3 institution accepting tax-free donations from a
variety of contributors each year. Contributors ben-
efit by the tax deduction and have the assurance that
they are able to hire graduates who have been trained
on up- to-date equipment."*

The Erie County Technical School cordially invites
our partners in the community along with students,
parents and other interested participants to attend an

**Open House on Wednesday, October 27
from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

All 19 technologies will open their classrooms for
tours and questions. Various labs will offer student
exhibits and demonstrations. Come meet the faculty
and staff, tour the school and learn more about all the
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