

RCTC Report
November 2008

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Term II is running 16 classes with a total of 114 students, not including our December State Inspection class. Classes run through December 16.

Students in the HVAC II class will be taking the CFC Exam here on Saturday, November 22nd.

PennDOT conducted an audit of our Safety Inspection program on October 23; everything was found to be in order.

PACTA Workshop

Mary Ellen attended the Adult Coordinators meeting in State College on October 29 and 30. The agenda included information on Technical Institutes, Comprehensive Workforce Development System, Industry Partnerships, and State and Federal legislation. The energy industry projects a need for up to 80,000 new jobs in Pennsylvania and training programs will be needed. Also a huge shortage of workers is predicted in the next five years in the fields of HVAC, plumbing, utilities, and nursing.

New Choices/ New Options

Classes

Eleven individuals completed the program at Bethany Outreach Center on November 7th. We already have five enrolled in job training programs; one has secured full time employment. As always, we continue to work with each individual on their career plans.

Our next program will be held at Mercyhurst West in Girard beginning December 1. We are advertising in the west county newspapers and have distributed flyers to numerous businesses and public buildings in the west county area.

We plan to offer an evening program in January at ECTS.

Other

Through the generosity of Catholic Charities, we will be delivering Thanksgiving Food Baskets on November 24 to some of our program participants.