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Passings

It is with much sadness that we report the recent loss of two long-time employees and friends of Bay State.



Hundreds of our students will remember Mr. Tom Joyce, as either their refrigeration instructor, or as Director of Education in his most recent position at Bay State. Tom was a knowledgeable and capable

educator who came to Bay State after retiring from Sears with 30 years of service experience. He was a Marine, and proud of it, as well he should be. Tom was 67 years old when he passed away.

Richard Holcomb, better known as "Stogie," was a fixture at Bay State for a number of years as our "C.M.O." or Chief Maintenance Officer. Stogie came to Bay State after serving 32 years as a Dedham firefighter. Always ready with a kind word, a helping hand or a quick joke, he worked to make your day a little lighter or brighter. Stogie was 72 years old when he died. ■

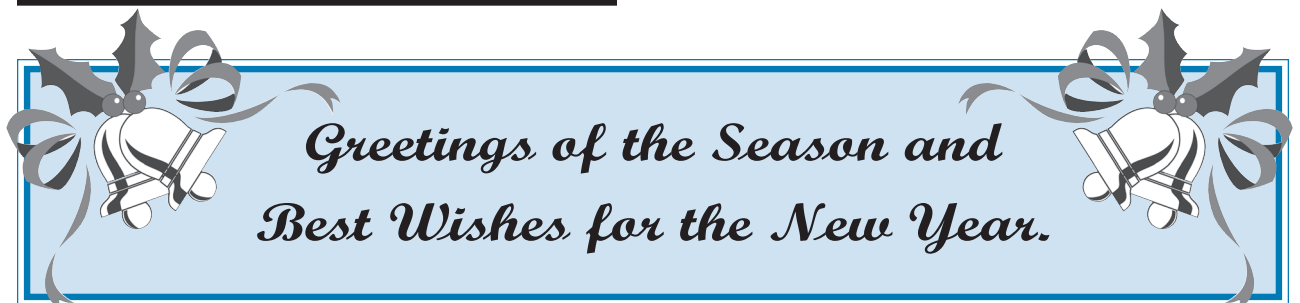


NEWS FROM BEACON HILL

HR214— The Major Appliance Installer Bill

Bay State was instrumental in filing a bill on Beacon Hill last year, known as HR214, which would protect the ability of Major Appliance Installers to connect to existing gas, water, or electrical lines without the need of a plumber or electrician. This practice is one that has been safely performed by qualified installers for decades, but has been made invalid in recent years, and enforced by some building inspectors. This increased enforcement has resulted in drastically increased costs to the consumer because of the need to bring in a plumber and/or electrician to perform the hookups that have always been done by Appliance Installers in the past.

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GRADUATE PROFILE: *Introducing – Keith Roberts*



Keith Roberts grew up in Brockton and attended Southeastern Regional Vocational Technician High School, majoring in the Graphic Arts Program where he was introduced to the printing trade. After high school, he worked at Northeastern University as a copy clerk and over the next seven years became a Pressman. After Northeastern, he started work at the

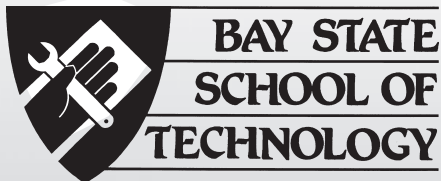
Patriot Ledger newspaper as an apprentice Pressman. Keith ultimately became a Journeyman Pressman and worked for 14 years in the newspaper printing business. Seeing the circulation for newspapers decreasing, Keith decided it was time for a change. At first, he was worried about his age, but he still went forward with the challenge to find a new career. After visiting a lot of retraining schools, he liked what he saw at Bay State and felt at

home and comfortable. With a keen eye on his future, Keith enrolled in Bay State's Computer Repair and Electronics course (now Digital Age Technology.).

Keith continued to work while coming to school, doing printing work on night shifts, and supplementing his income by working as a DJ at night clubs on the weekend. With all this going on in his life, Keith felt confident that he had made the right choice, and with the help available from his instructors and the staff at Bay State, he successfully completed the course.

After graduation, Keith was excited to be searching for a job in his new career as a Computer Technician. At the same time, he was nervous about entering a new field of employment and dealing with job interviews after a 15 year absence. He had nothing to worry about and landed at job with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health as a Help Desk Technician. According to Keith "Every bit of my training at Bay State has been useful in my new career."

We wish Keith continued success in his new career. ■



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News from Beacon Hill

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HR 214 received a lot of industry support at the public hearing at the State House, but ultimately was not voted out of committee, and resulted in no action.

The need to protect our Installers and Servicers ability to continue to do what they've traditionally done remains. HR 214 needs to be refiled again this fall, with the hope that we can generate enough support to make it a reality in the 2009 legislative session.

Spearheading this year's effort is Chip Lennon, of Medfield Appliance. Chip's main effort will be to build support among Appliance Technicians, retailers and wholesalers for the bill. We'll need lots of letters and phone calls to local Senators and Representatives to get them on board and supporting the legislation. It's the best way to help the measure get passed. We continue to believe that this legislation is the best way to ensure that our installers are able to safely and legally install dishwashers and ranges as they have done for decades.

To do this, Chip needs your help. If you're willing to contact your legislators by mail or phone, or if you can help in other ways, please contact Chip at 508-359-2800, email at:

MFDMAPS@aol.com

Up On the Roof

People of a certain age will immediately think of the Drifters' song from the 60's of the same name. Some of Bay State's Commercial students recently had an opportunity to actually get *Up On the Roof* and see what's up there. After climbing the ladder, instructors Irv Kardon and Tom Driscoll and students worked on some of the commercial units while on the roof. ■



From the left: Frank Tonioli, Jose Diaz, Instructor Irv Kardon, Ryan Brennan, Mark Matthews, Nathan Gomes and John Ngabirano. Photo by Instructor Tom Driscoll.

Who Invented the Washing Machine?

That's a difficult question to answer, but it wasn't invented by either Mr. Maytag or Mr. Whirlpool.

Washing dirt out of clothes has been a civilizing but drudgery-like chore for mankind for centuries. Rivers were the first places where clothes were cleaned, and many cultures still rely on wetting clothing and then beating the garments on rocks to remove dirt.



The research for an easier way to clean clothes dates back to an English patent for a Washing and Wringing machine in 1691. The modern electric washing machine can probably be credited to Louis Goldenburg, of New Brunswick, New Jersey, sometime in the late 1800's or early 1900's. Mr. Goldenburg worked under contract for Henry Ford at the time, and as a result the patent belonged to Ford.

The first United States Laundromat is believed to have opened in Fort Worth, Texas, in 1934. The modern, top-loading automatic washer was introduced by G.E. in 1947.

An interesting development in washing machine evolution was made by a British inventor who developed a patent for a washer with two cylinders, rotating in opposite directions, which reduced wash time and produced cleaner results. The inventor, Mr. James Dyson, went on to invent the new line of bagless, cyclonic vacuum cleaners that bear his name, and for which he is famous worldwide. ■

Referrals

Word of mouth is always the best form of advertising. Many of our graduates tell their friends and families about how much they enjoyed learning their new careers at Bay State. If you're a BSST graduate who refers a prospective student to the school, and they successfully enroll, we'd like to thank you for that referral. A successful referral and enrollment will earn you a quality Stanley tool kit worth \$80.00 as our way of thanks. This kit has a complete ratchet set and a full lineup of box wrenches, a power driver, and more. Contact Admissions for more information, and thanks for your referrals. ■

Sheet Metal Workers Licensing Requirement

In August, Governor Patrick signed into law a bill that requires all Sheet Metal Workers to be licensed by the newly established Board of Examiners of Sheet Metal Workers. The Board's immediate task will be to set up the licensing apparatus, crafting a grandfathering provision and implement the new requirements.

If your refrigeration shop involves working with sheet metal, this legislation could have a major impact on your work. For more information on the board's activities, visit their website at:

www.mass.gov/dpl.boards/sm

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The Air Conditioning Contractors of America (ACCA) New England Division is looking for volunteers from the industry to serve on the board. If you are interested, please email ACCA at:

info@accanewengland.com ■

Where Are Our Grads Now?

GRADUATE	EMPLOYED AT
Peter Kirylo	Lambco Appliance – <i>Service Technician</i>
Christopher Palm	Heath Refrigeration – <i>Service Technician</i>
Brian Brown	AAA Refrigeration – <i>Service Technician</i>
Marc Ziegler	Linden Ponds – <i>Computer Technician</i>
Thomas Dwyer	Dept. of Corrections – <i>HVAC Instructor</i>
John Nuttall	Mac Systems – <i>Service Technician</i>
Trong Nguyen	Rent-A-Center (RAC) – <i>Service Technician</i>
Yves Julien	Green Technical Service – <i>Service Technician</i>
Mitchell Andrews	Rinfret & Sturm’s Appliances – <i>Service Technician</i>
Oswaldo Rivera	Ozzy’s Pre-Owned Appliances – <i>Service Technician</i>
Federico Ortiz	Welch Brothers – <i>Service Technician</i>
Ken Kates	GEM Plumbing & Heating – <i>Service Technician</i>
Michael Finn	Atlantic Mechanical – <i>Service Technician</i>
Lou Ray Zavalla	Lambco Appliance – <i>Service Technician</i>
Ronald Durham	Avalon Acton – <i>Maintenance Technician</i>
Manuel Benton	Wickford Appliance – <i>Service Technician</i>
Joshua Held	Cotti-Johnson – <i>Service Technician</i>
Anthony Sanfilippo	Keyes North Atlantic – <i>Service Technician</i>
Henry Edusei	Evergreen Solar – <i>Computer Operator</i>

Congratulations to all!

Upcoming Class Schedule

CURRENTLY ENROLLING FOR:

FULL-TIME DAYS	STARTING DATE:
Major Appliances/ Basic Electricity	January 6, 2009
Domestic Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	January 6, 2009
Commercial Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	January 6, 2009
Digital Age Technology	January 6, 2009

*Full-time day classes are scheduled Tuesday through Thursday
From 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM.*

PART-TIME EVENINGS	STARTING DATE:
Major Appliances/ Basic Electricity	January 29, 2009
Domestic Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	January 29, 2009
Commercial Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	January 29, 2009
Digital Age Technology	January 29, 2009

*Part-time evening classes are scheduled Tuesday,
Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 10:30 PM.*

For more information on classes and start dates, contact the
Admissions Office at 888-828-3434, toll free. ■

*Tell your family and friends about your
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