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Maytag Refrigeration Seminar

April 17th – 20th

Bay State is an approved Maytag Training Center and will be conducting a week long seminar on refrigeration from April 17th through 20th. The focus of the seminar will be on Maytag refrigeration products. Participants will attend classes and labs from 8 AM to 4 PM on Monday through Thursday. Topics covered are as follows:

Basic Electricity review, Refrigerator Schematic/Components, Top Mount Refrigerator, Heat Release Ice Maker, Electrical Diagnostics, Basic Refrigeration, Sealed System Diagnostics, Brazing Demo and Lab, Sweep Charge Procedures, Sealed System Repair Lab, Yoder Loop Repair, R-134a, S/S Refrigerator Update, S/S Refrigerator Lab.

The cost for the program is \$ 400. Maytag dealers receive a 10 % discount.

To register: Call Brian Murphy at our toll free number 888-828-3434. The last day to register for the program is Monday, April 10th. A minimum of ten participants is required for the school to run the program. For those who may require hotel accommodations, the Holiday Inn in Randolph, Massachusetts is convenient to the school. Their telephone number for reservations is 1-781-961-1000. Please request directions to the school when registering if needed. ■

Appliances Needed

BSST is in need of appliances that can be used as trainers for our students. At this time we are in need of: **Gas or Electric Ranges, Gas or Electric Clothes Dryers, Direct Drive Washers, Trash Compactors.** For more information please contact **Michael Griffin at (781) 828-3434.** ■

Graduate Profile:

*Introducing -
Allan Hall*

Allan Hall was born in Virginia but spent most of his youth in Lunenburg, Massachusetts. His father was a career army man and he moved the family back to Virginia after Allan's junior year in high school. When Allan finished high school in Virginia, he came back to Massachusetts and went to work at Digital Corporation in Westminister, Massachusetts.



At Digital, Allan was trained to work on the various computer equipment that Digital manufactured and sold. He became a computer technician and spent a total of fourteen years with the company. When Digital failed to keep up with the development of the personal computer technology, the company began to lose business to their competitors. Allan left Digital and went to work for the Rockport Shoe Company in the capacity of their Distribution Center Systems Supervisor.

After ten years with Rockport, Allan went to work for Tyco Systems in their Technical Support Department. Three years later, he was laid off and was unemployed for a year when he was called back to Tyco. After two and one half more years with Tyco he was laid off again. His job was being moved outside the country. It was at this point that he decided to go to school to learn a new skill.

Allan heard about Bay State from Eileen Souza, his career counselor at the Career Center

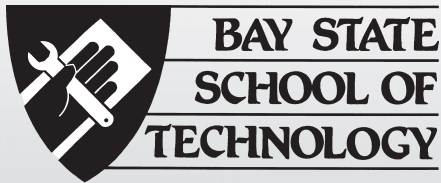
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of North Central Massachusetts. He was living in Gardner, Massachusetts at the time. He visited Bay State, liked what he saw, and decided to enroll in the Major Appliances, Domestic, and Commercial Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Program. His commute to Bay State was 130 miles round trip each day and he missed only three days of class during his nearly year long program. He graduated from Bay State in December of last year at the top of his class with a 95% average. When asked about his experience at Bay State, Allan said; "the school was great", "the teachers were awesome", and "Once I got into the field, I realized that I learned more than I thought I did when I finished".

Allan is currently employed at Electronicycle, Inc. as The Manager of the CSE Division responsible for FREON recovery and recycling. He resides in Gardner, has five grown children, and ten grandchildren. We all wish Allan well in his new career. ■



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Teacher Feature:

*Mary Barnaby -
Refrigeration &
Air Conditioning*



Mary Barnaby has been teaching at Bay State for more than twelve years. She has more than a thousand alumnae of her classes working in the field today. She has managed to build a successful career in a field that is considered "non-traditional" for women, though there have been many successful female students at Bay State in the past several years.

Mary developed an interest in mechanics at an early age and was often "fixing things" as a teenager and enjoyed working on cars. This led her to her first job working as a filling station manager after leaving Dedham High School. She then got married and became a parent. Later, as a single working mother, with government assistance, she had an opportunity to attend New England Appliance School in Boston.

In 1976, Upon graduating from New England Appliance (Where she was instructed by one of Bay State's founders, Bob Eagleston), Mary was hired as an appliance service technician by Sears. After twelve years on the road as a service technician, she was promoted to Service Supervisor. Mary left Sears in 1990 to open an appliance parts store in Buzzards Bay and became a part time instructor at Bay State in Hyde Park.

Sears made Mary an offer she couldn't refuse in 1993 and she returned to Sears as a supervisor in the service department. In 1997, she returned to Bay State as a full time instructor. Mary is happy in her chosen field of work and said that "it has provided me with a good steady income which enabled me to raise my two children and own my own home". She lives in Buzzards Bay and in addition to her son and daughter, has one grandson. We are happy to have Mary in the Bay State family and look forward to working with her for many years. ■

Experienced Techs and Retirees

The school has openings for both full time and part time assistant instructors. No teaching experience is necessary. If you have at least five years of experience in the field and think you might be interested in becoming an assistant shop instructor, call Michael Griffin at 781-828-3434. ■

Full Time Students Go To Four Day Week

When gasoline got over three dollars a gallon this past summer, the school administration asked the students if they would look favorably on going to a four days per week schedule. The change under consideration at the time was to add an hour to each day by starting class at 7:30 AM and going to 2:30 PM.

The response was overwhelmingly favorable and the change was made. It has been working out well and student commuting expenses have been reduced by 20%. ■

Distance Learning Program In The Works

Bay State will be launching our first On-Line Blended Distance Learning Program in the Spring. We are in the final stages of having the program approved by the Massachusetts Department of Education and our Accrediting Agency.

The program is on the subject of Basic Electricity and is designed to prepare students to enter into a variety of Electro-mechanical occupational fields of endeavor. It can even be beneficial to people with hobbies involving electricity.

In our "Blended Program", students complete most of the course work at home on their computers but also participate in four "hands-on" labs at the Bay State Campus. The hands-on labs will take place on four Saturday mornings during the nine week program. There will be one lab at the start of the program, one at the end of week #3, one at the end of week #5, and the final one at the end of week #8. Each lab session will be at least four hours in duration.

Subject matter for the program will include: History of electricity, Ohm's Law, Voltage, Current (AC & DC), Resistance, Voltage Sources, Series Circuits, Parallel Circuits, Use of a Meter and Amp Probe, Transformers, Capacitors, A/C Motors, Switches, Relays, Solenoids, Circuit Breakers, Fuses, Wire Size, Wiring Diagrams, Schematics, Automotive Electricity, Conductors, Insulators, and Safety Devices and Rules. ■

Send A Friend To Bay State

If you know anyone who is unhappy with their current job or may be in need of a skill, you may be doing them a favor if you tell them to call our Admissions Director, Brian Murphy, to make a date to visit the school. Our greatest source for new students is from the referrals from current students and graduates. ■

Job Search Tips

Looking for a job can be hard work and as time consuming as a full time job. There are some things that you can do to make the effort productive.

Network:

Don't just rely on newspaper ads and employment agencies when looking for a job. Talk to friends, relatives, former classmates, members of your church or civic organization, your barber or hair dresser, and your neighbors. Make telephone calls to companies who hire people with your skills. Use the internet. If you don't have a computer at home, go to your library or to the Department of Employment and Training office nearest to you, or come to Bay State and use the computer library lab.

Stay Focused

Do not become distracted from the principle task at hand. Your job search must be the top priority in your daily life. Treat it as your job. Be prepared to be interviewed over the phone when you make a call to an employer. Many companies are conducting screening interviews on the phone.

Be Organized

Keep a log of the employers that you call, when you called, who you spoke with, and what the response to your call meant to you. Keep track of where you mail, FAX, or E-MAIL your resume. Follow up in two or three days to verify that your resume was received and log the response to this inquiry.

Prepare for Interviews

Being prepared for your interviews involves plain common sense. First impressions are lasting impressions. Dress in your best clothes, make sure your hair is neatly combed and that you appear fresh and eager. Speak confidently and make eye contact with your interviewer. If a hand is extended at the beginning and end of the interview, respond with a firm grip (not a knuckle crusher) and make eye contact. Allow plenty of time to be ten minutes early for your appointment. Send a thank you note to the interviewer immediately.

The Resume

The resume introduces you to the prospective employer. It should be well prepared, informative, and concise. Limit the resume to a single page. Its designed to get the interview, landing the job will depend on the interview and if the resume is poorly written, there won't be an interview. ■

Where Are Our Grads Now?

GRADUATE	EMPLOYED AT
Frank Belcher	D & S Appliance Service • <i>Service Tech.</i>
David Bonilla	Sears/Danvers • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Edilberto Cardona	Sears/Norwood • <i>Service Tech.</i>
James Cowart	J & J Appliance Repair • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Jay Crump	West Mechanical • <i>HVAC Mechanical</i>
Johnny Del Jesus	Advanced Heating & A/C • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Dennis Delaney	Bell Simon • <i>Customer Service</i>
Gary Epstein	TC'S Repair Service • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Allan Hall	Electronicycle, Inc. • <i>CSE Manager</i>
Khali Jackson	BHS Home Appliance • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Bobby Kitsos	Air & Ref. Service • <i>HVAC Mechanic</i>
Fausto Lopez	UMASS-JP • <i>Maintenance Mechanic</i>
Hemchand Nowrangilall	Millennium Hotel • <i>Maint. Mechanic</i>
George Papa	Alpha Mechanical Corp. • <i>HVAC Mechanic</i>
Desmond Richardson	Sears/Auburn • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Khalid Rochdi	Best Buy • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Joel Torres	New England Spas • <i>Service Tech.</i>
Mateus Vieira	Medford Wellington Svs. • <i>HVAC Mechanic</i>
Galen Williams	Winn Management Co. • <i>Maint. Mechanic</i>

Congratulations to all!

Upcoming Class Schedule

CURRENTLY ENROLLING FOR:

“Full-Time Days”

Major Appliances/ Basic Electricity	Starting Date: 3/21/2006
Domestic Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	Starting Date: 3/21/2006
Commercial Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	Starting Date: 3/21/2006
Computer Electronics & Networking	Starting Date: 5/15/2006

Full-time day classes are scheduled Monday through Friday From 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

“Part-Time Evenings”

Major Appliances/ Basic Electricity	Starting Date: 3/21/2006
Domestic Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	Starting Date: 8/29/2006
Commercial Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	Starting Date: 8/29/2006
Computer Installation & Repair/Networking	Starting Date: 9/19/2006

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

For more information, contact the Admissions Office at (toll free) 888-828-3434. ■

Notice To Employers

Bay State School of Technology is continually graduating students from the Appliance, Computer and HVAC Programs.

Employers interested in interviewing graduates should contact Linda Lord, Director of Student Services at (781) 828-3434. ■



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