More than 270 people visited one of the nation’s best-equipped machine tool technology education programs on October 29th when Central Community College-Hastings sponsored an open house for its Midwest Center for Plastics and Design.

A big draw for representatives of some 50 business and industries who attended the open house was 15 new CNC machine tools recently added to the campus machine tool technology program.

The new equipment was provided through a $2.1 million Community-Based Job Training grant from the US Dept. of Labor awarded to the college to develop a program in design technology and to establish the Midwest Center for Plastics and Design.

Dream It. Do It. has been awarded a grant for $22,400 from the Midland Community Foundation. This grant money will be used to purchase 72 CEENBot kits (see picture of completed CEENBot).

The following schools will receive 10 CEENBots each:

- Papillion La-Vista High School
- Papillion La-Vista South
- Conestoga High School
- Louisville High School
- Elmwood Murdock High School
- Plattsmouth High School
- Weeping Water High School
- 2 CEENBots for DIDI

The CEENBot is an educational tool to use in STEM classes (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) to introduce robotics to students. The CEENBot platform is developed by the Peter Kiewit Institute in Omaha. This platform is a flexible education tool allowing teachers to integrate the platform into their current instruction with ready-made education lessons that are mapped to national standards in STEM.

For more information on the CEENBot and to view the education tools, go to: http://www.ceen.unomaha.edu/TekBots/SPIRIT2/

IMES

The Nebraska Department of Education sponsored an IMES (Industrial, Manufacturing and Engineering Systems) in-service throughout the state of Nebraska and asked Dream It. Do It. to present its program again this year.

IMES sessions were held in Scottsbluff, North Platte, Hastings, Lincoln, Norfolk, and Omaha.

This is a wonderful opportunity to get the Dream It. Do It. coalition’s message out to teachers and the community in Nebraska.

EPSCOR

DIDI hosts a table at the EPSCOR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) 5th Annual Innovation Conference.

In picture– Tyler Wortman, CDT Spokesperson; Dwayne Probyn, DIDI Executive Director; and Senator Scott Price

Dream It. Do It. Receives Grant

The Midlands Community Foundation places an emphasis on prevention and education. The mission of the foundation is to benefit the diverse needs of the Sarpy and Cass county communities.

IMES

Visit our web site at www.dreamit-doit.com/Nebraska
NAMC Scorecard

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Reasons To Celebrate!

SEPTEMBER 2009

LINCOLN: Lincoln Machine participated in a job shadowing program with UNL Mechanical Engineering students.
NATIONAL: Dwayne Probyn attends DIDI Executive meeting in San Antonio.
COLUMBUS: Columbus Regional Career Dream Team spotlighted at local football games during half-time.
HASTINGS: CCC Design Technology Open House (see article on front).
STATE: DIDI presents at Industrial, Manufacturing & Engineering Systems (IMES) in-service across the state of Nebraska.
STATE: Tony Raimondo Presents DIDI at Manufacturing Summit in Lincoln, NE.
LINCOLN: TMCO hosts open house with manufacturing tours to approximately 500 students.
LINCOLN: Tyler Theillen of Lincoln Machine presents to Lincoln Northeast career classes—approx. 100 students.

October Mentor of the Month

Sarah Hampton

Sarah Hampton (Hanson) with Valmont Industries has been selected as October’s Mentor of the Month for her continued dedication to the DIDI Career Dream Team program. Some of the activities Sarah has been involved in include the DIDI Omaha Education Extension Committee, helped to select the Career Dream Team Candidate for Valmont, and Hosted the Career Dream Team members during the Texas Tech game on October 17th. Thanks Sarah — keep up the good work!

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