



Fred Muthard

Many people have a gift of using their hands and their minds to have a successful career. Vocational training is very important to Fred. He grew up on a working farm where he was taught to do many hands-on tasks out of necessity. He became aware of how important it was to learn and train other individuals in vocational fields. He watched how individuals progressed through their training. Fred finds nothing more gratifying than watching an individual perform tasks with precision. Vocational training has his complete support. He knows there is a huge need for qualified people in the Medical, Automotive, Transportation, and Building Maintenance areas to just name a few.

Fred graduated from the Automotive Training Center Diesel Program which was part of Spring Garden College in Philadelphia. He served in the US Army Reserves and was awarded a diploma as a Truck Vehicle Mechanic. He is an Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certified Master Heavy Duty Truck Technician. He is also a Qualified Fleet Trainer for Freightliner Truck Corporation.

Over the years, Fred attended Instructor Courses at the University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin and Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. He currently holds a Vocational Teaching Certification from Temple University.

He had been a Technical Trainer for PPL Electric Utilities, Allentown, Pennsylvania for over thirty-two years. His job responsibilities included training Linemen, Substation and Underground Electricians, and Equipment Operators in certain disciplines of their jobs. He conducted a four-year apprentice program consisting of 144 hours per year for Truck and Hydraulic Technicians until they became Transportation Journeyman Technicians. He feels one of his greatest accomplishments was creating, developing, and then teaching a Nuclear Power Plant Valve Service and Rebuild course for the company's Nuclear Power Plant Valve Team.

Fred was responsible for developing Technical and Safety courses which included US Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Packaging and Shipping courses. In addition, he managed and instructed the Commercial Driver's License (CDL) program for PPL Corporation for seventeen years.

After retiring from PPL, Fred worked for the Lehigh Career and Technical Institute (LCTI), Schnecksville, PA as a CDL Training Representative. LCTI is a high school and adult education school which is one of the largest in Pennsylvania. He also served on the LCTI advisory board and stayed in that position until relocating to Arizona.

Fred has been greatly involved with Technical Training most of his life. He believes The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona (TRVFA) is very important and he is pleased to be a part of it.

Fred is a member of the Rincon Rotary Club in District 5500, He is serving a three-year term as a director of TRVFA which began in July, 2022.