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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**SCILL ADDS TWO NEW INSTRUCTORS AND WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS**

The new school year for SCILL began earlier than normal this year, as classes began on August 4, 2016. SCILL serves as the host of three programs for the North Central Area Vocational Cooperative - Automotive Technology, Welding Technology, and this year for the first time, Automation, Robotics and Equipment Maintenance (AREM). As classes begin to settle out, it appears that there are 52 auto students, 37 welding students, and 5 AREM students as the year begins.

New to the SCILL program this year are two instructors, one in welding and one in AREM. Both are in their first year of teaching, but have several years of real-world experience in their fields that they bring to the classroom.

Rachel Moore is a 20 year resident of Knox, having moved there from Hammond. She began welding in 2012 and took the first SCILL course for adults that was offered. While there, she earned several AWS certifications, and then began employment with Braun in Winamac. In 2014 Rachel left Braun to work with the Ironworkers Union in Indianapolis, but with four children and a husband, Rachel elected to return to Knox and went back to work at Braun, who happily rehired her. She continued at Braun until this teaching opportunity arose at SCILL. She began teaching the afternoon high school class on August 4, 2016 and will also teach some or all of the adult classes as well.

Bill Gregor is another resident of Knox who spent the early portion of his working experience with Mittal Steel (formerly Inland Steel), starting in 1972 as an apprentice maintenance electrician, eventually moving into administrative positions until 1989 when he assumed a senior staff position on what became I/N Kote in New Carlisle where he assumed responsibility for all of the electrical and instrumentation in that facility. He retired in 2002, but continued consulting a number of different projects. He was referred to SCILL by a fellow worker at I/N Kote and when asked if he would lead this new program for SCILL, he agreed to take the position of instructor so that he could “help those individuals looking to embark on similar careers.”



**Rachel Moore – Welding Instructor**



**Bill Gregor – AREM Instructor**

### **ABOUT STARKE COUNTY INITIATIVE FOR LIFELONG LEARNING**

SCILL (Starke County Initiative for Lifelong Learning) was created in 1996 to assure employers that a qualified workforce would be available in Starke County. SCILL, working in conjunction with area employers, provides a customized, innovative training program that meets the needs of area employers and employees and also offers high quality vocational educational programs in automotive technology, welding, and automation, robotics and equipment maintenance. For more details regarding Starke County Initiative for Lifelong Learning, visit [www.scill.biz](http://www.scill.biz).

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