What happens if your most dependable piece of equipment you own goes south? What would you do?

Let’s think about the most important piece of equipment we all own. A washer and dryer? Furnace / AC? Electric toothbrush? Nope. Nothing compares to how dependent we have become to have a reliable automobile to get us to and from work, and take out kids to sports practices and after school events.

What would we do if something happened to our cars or trucks and they would be unable to work properly? We’d be us a creek. So there has to be someone at the ready to help when the beast in not functioning. That person is none other than Alan Heriford of Johnson County Automotive.

Alan introduced us to his crew of technicians, some relatively new and others with years of experience behind them. His success has always had so much to do with his employees. If they are honest, dedicated, and care about what they do, it shows in the end result of satisfying their clients. The best thing is how Alan allows them to make mistakes, but rather than yelling at them, uses it as a learning experience. “We’ll fix it and learn.” Alan says.

Even with his fresh crew, Alan decided he needed a family vacation, so he bought a 40’ RV camper, did a few needed repairs, packed their bags, and headed out west to see the great USA. His family got to hike and bike while he got some well needed R & R. Another family memory for the Heriford fam.

Alan explained basically what they do every day (for 15 years) – we fix cars! They actually work on most models, and also fix other stuff that needs fixing besides cars too. After that long, he’s decided not to work on some toughies.

He gets business being referred from other businesses. Some cars are easily diagnosed, while others act up almost every week. Those are harder to drive and figure the source of the problem.

The best advice he offered us all was to make sure to change your oil exactly when it is needed. Oil is the blood in your vehicle, and if done properly, will last you hundreds of thousands of miles. (Try to change every 3000 miles on regular oil, and every 5000 miles on synthetic). It’s the best thing to keep it running.

And they use only premium parts – if you do it once, do it right! Alan certainly takes pride in what he does. He never refuses to help out a customer when they have auto or truck issues. He has driven a flatbed to Omaha to bring back a stranded client, and can’t count when someone is stranded locally, he will drop what he’s doing to get them off a busy highway.

And he gets all his strength and commitment from his father, but especially his grandfather was a remarkable technician. Alan Says “It’s in my blood.” It’s what makes him tick.

You will never find a more honest and trustworthy auto technician as you will find in Alan Heriford. So if you have a car or truck and it’s time for scheduled maintenance, or it’s not running well, take it Alan and his crew to help make it all better.

Thank YOU Alan for your expertise, your forthright honesty, your dedication to your craft, your dedication to your family and friends, and to your unmatched sense of humor that keeps us all smiling, laughing, and making us all try to emulate what you do on a daily basis. You’re a good man Alan Heriford.

WE ARE AT DEER CREEK CC - 7300 W. 133RD ST., OPKS. MEET UP AT 7 AM; BREAKFAST AT 7:25; SPEAKER AT 8 AM.

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UPCOMING SPEAKERS SCHEDULE

Here is a list of our upcoming speakers. Please note some events are evenings or away from Deer Creek CC.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING PROSPECTORS?
Give Stephanie Cocherl, our Membership Chairman a call at 913-266-9314 or email at scocherl@fnbk.com before you visit our group so we can make sure there are no category conflicts with our current members.

Sept. 14 – Rick Wolverton of Advanced Interiors at Deer Creek CC.

Sept. 21 – Chris Pickering of The Pickering Law Firm at Deer Creek CC.

Sept. 28 – Janet Stone of REMAX First State Line at Deer Creek CC.

Oct. 5 – NO MEETING – GOLF TOMORROW

OCT. 6TH – Annual Prospectors Golf Tourney at Deer Creek; Tee Off before noon. After Hours at Coach’s for all members and guests. Light Appetizers and Cash Bar (drinks there on your own).
**Trivia Question:**
Who was the first African American to be a head coach of a major league professional sports team?

**Quote of the Week**

> Recovery is a process. It takes time. It takes patience. It takes everything you’ve got...

*Animals that eat both plants and flesh of other animals*

- Bear
- Crow

*Animals that eat both plants and other animals are called omnivores.*

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Not this week.....

**BE A PART OF THE BEST NETWORKING GROUP IN JOHNSON COUNTY – COME JOIN YOUR FELLOW PROSPECTORS THIS THURSDAY**
FRONT HOUSE CUSTOMER SERVICE POSITION
Dolce Bakery is looking to add enthusiastic people to our growing Front of House team! The Pastry Counter Position is a customer service position with full time or part time hours available.
Join our upbeat team of passionate people that strive to give our customers the best product and experience possible. Applicants should enjoy connecting with people as a member of a dynamic small business with loyal customers.
We are centrally located in the Village Shops!
Retail or Sales experience is preferred, but we will train the right applicant! You will need a willingness to work weekends and holidays to meet business needs.

BAKER POSITION
Dolce Bakery is looking for part time bakers as part of our growing team! Our bakers create delicious products from scratch daily to fill our pastry case and special orders.
Join our committed team of passionate people that strive to give our customers the best product and experience possible. Applicants should be organized and excited to create delicious desserts with detail and care.
Baking experience is preferred, but we will train the right applicant! You will need a willingness to work weekends and holidays to meet business needs.

PROSPECTORS BOARD MEETING – Our September meeting has been changed to Wednesday, Sept. 13th at Coach’s South – 5:30 pm.
Doug Airey is still looking for someone to help with his Home Care business. If you know of anyone with experience in home repairs, give him a call.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER – IT’S BACK! Mark your calendars for Sat. September 30th. Hosts are at Brosseit, Terstriep, and York. Starts around 5:30 pm to ?. Details will follow closer to the date. Sign up now if you’re coming, how many, and what you’ll bring – appetizers, side dish, or dessert.
Summer – T-Bones Game – Family friendly event – date to follow.

Reserve the Date: October 6th – PBC Annual Golf Tournament at Deer Creek CC. BE SURE TO SIGN UP FOR YOU AND A GUEST IF THEY’RE JOINING YOU. THERE ARE HOLE AND CART SPONSORSHIPS TO SIGN UP FOR, AND IF YOU’RE NOT GOLFING, COME TO THE AFTER HOURS AT COACH’S SOUTH STARTING AT 5 PM THAT DAY.

Monday, October 16th – Come celebrate Prospectors Breakfast Club 40th Anniversary at Coach’s South – Appetizers and beverages – Details to follow.
SAVE THE DATE !!!
Friends and Family,

We would like to invite you to attend the 1st Mike Darby Memorial Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 8th at Deer Creek Golf Club. While it is still hard to process that we are coordinating such an event, we would be honored if you would join us to celebrate Mike's life and to support several local organizations that were close to Mike's heart. Given our short runway to organize this event, there are still logistics to be worked out. However, the key details are as follows:

11am Shotgun start on Sunday October 8th at Deer Creek
4 man scramble format
Pre game breakfast and on course food will be provided as well as plenty of cold refreshments
Teams will run $500 per team ($125/golfer)
Hole Sponsors at $1250- includes a 4 some of golf
Friends and Family Sponsorships will be available
A Scholarship to Rockhurst High School will be created in Mike's name
After tournament Awards Party and Chiefs Watch Party at Coach's South immediately following the event

Proceeds from the tournament will support local organizations including Rockhurst High School and Tour de Hope. While we hope to grow this event in upcoming years, the primary focus of this year's inaugural event is to come together as those who loved Mike to connect, share memories and hopefully a few laughs as we plod our way around the golf course.
Registration Link provided below.

Register Now!

Sincerely,

Brett Darby
Mike Darby Memorial Fund
brett.darby@cerner.com
816-510-7907
Give Coach Jen a call and let her schedule you to try her Fun, Form, and Variety Early Morning workout. There will be modified exercises for all fitness levels.

Try Jen’s FAV (Fun-Form-Variety) Class
FREE the Week of Sept. 18th and 25th
Days: Monday and Wednesday
Time: 6:00 am
Place: Franklin Park (Roe Ave and Somerset)
Contact Jennifer at 913-927-1113
or jennifersheltonbalance@gmail.com
Prospectors' Breakfast Club

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