

Master Roads Scholars

Master Roads Scholar—Kelly Gibbons

Kelly is an airport maintenance technician for the City of Lebanon Municipal Airport. He has worked for the City for 5 ½ years.



Kelly enjoys the variety of projects he gets at work and says he does “anything and everything.” The airport is currently working on runway expansions.

Kelly will continue to take classes with the UNH Technology Transfer Center because education is important to him. He says that “learning should never stop.” He advises Roads Scholar to “keep attending training.” His favorite part of being in the Program is meeting different people to learn how they solve the same problems.

Master Roads Scholar—Jason Kimball

Jason Kimball has been working for the Town of Merrimack for 9 ½ years. He will continue to take T² classes because he loves where he works and loves living in the town of Merrimack. Jason likes that his job allows him to be outdoors and he loves plowing snow in the winter.



Master Roads Scholar—Ed Tourville

Ed Tourville is a highway equipment operator for the Town of Enfield. He has been working for Enfield for eight years. When Ed was younger he used to ride along in a pick-up truck with his father



while he plowed snow.

Ed wants to continue to take classes to keep up with new information in all fields. He likes his job because there is something different each day. His favorite part of the Roads Scholar Program is attending classes on gravel roads and grading.

Master Roads Scholar—Shawn White

Shawn White has been the Director of Public Works for the town of Whitefield since the spring of 2008. He started working for the town of Whitefield as a police officer in 1999 and was promoted to Sergeant.



His father, a NHDOT engineer, would bring him to job sites when he was younger. After high school, Shawn worked as an equipment operator for several organizations in the public works field.

Shawn will continue to take classes with the T² Center because “knowledge and continuing learning is an asset to anyone, and it shows in daily activities and projects.” Shawn encourages Roads Scholars to “work hard and show your supervisor that training is beneficial to you and the department.” Shawn enjoys competitive bass fishing.

Master Roads Scholar—Dave Wholley

Dave has been the Operations Manager for Salem DPW for 14 years. Previously, he was a water meter repair technician for the town. Dave says “I couldn’t ask to work with a better group of professionals at the Salem DPW!” His department



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motto is “Red and blue follow yellow.”

Dave will continue to take classes with the T² Center because he says, “you can never educate yourself enough in this profession.” He wants to continue learning about new techniques and technologies. Salem DPW is currently working on the milling and overlaying of Rte. 28, the demolition of a condemned building, and the replacement of 25 feet of culvert.

Dave’s favorite part of the Roads Scholar Program has been meeting interesting people within his profession. He advises new Roads Scholars “to stay positive, understand your importance in public safety, and always try to make a difference for others.” He says class attendees should walk away from each class with at least one thing to implement at work.

Dave has been married to his wife Christine for 10 years. They have a five year old son, Adam, and a three year old daughter, Madison. Dave enjoys camping, watching NY Yankee baseball, and spending time with his wife and kids. Dave says “I owe all that I am to the love, support, and understanding of my family!”

Master Roads Scholar is the fourth and final achievement level in the UNH T² Center Roads Scholar Training Program. It requires completing 100 contact hours plus the requirements for Roads Scholar Two: 5 hours in basic road construction, 5 hours in supervision or personal development, 5 hours in environmental, 5 hours in tort liability or safety, and 20 hours in other technical areas.

UNH T² Roads Scholar Program: www.t2.unh.edu/training/rdsclr.html

UNH T² Training Calendar: www.t2.unh.edu/training

UNH T² Roads Scholar Program & NHPWSTC Public Works Academy Update

The UNH Technology Transfer Center and the New Hampshire Public Works Standards and Training Council (NHPWSTC) have continued the partnership of the Public Works Academy.

Here is a summary of the contract partnership:

- All Academy hours will also count as hours in the Roads Scholar Program.
- Administration for all Academy classes is done by the UNH T² Center.
- Graduates from the Academy Level 1 (after passing all required exams) will also graduate from the Roads Scholar Program level 1.
- Graduates from the Academy Level 2 (after passing all required exams) will also graduate from the Roads Scholar Program level 2.



This contract is valid August 17, 2009 until May 1, 2011. At that time, the contract will be reviewed by both groups.

Welcome Fall 2009 Public Works Academy attendees!

NHPWSTC Academy: www.t2.unh.edu/nhpwstc/academy/index.html