2019 Carl J. Schaefer Memorial Award Recipient Announced

BIG RAPIDS, MI - The NOCTI Board of Trustees recently named Mr. James Jazdzewski of Kenosha, Wisconsin the winner of the 2019 Carl J. Schaefer Memorial CTE Teacher award.

The Carl J. Schaefer Memorial Award was established in 2013 to honor Dr. Carl J. Schaefer. As a lifelong champion in career and technical education (CTE), he gained national recognition as a CTE educator and author. He was also one of NOCTI’s founding fathers. This memorial award is a tribute to Dr. Schaefer’s memory and recognizes an outstanding CTE teacher or CTE teacher candidate. Criteria for the award include an application describing personal goals, work experience, awards/honors received, professional memberships, and leadership and community service activities. James received a personalized award and $500 to be used toward tuition, room and board, books, or any other educational-related expense.

For the past twenty years, Mr. Jazdzewski has served as electronics and solar PV instructor for the School of Manufacturing, Engineering and Information Technology (MEIT) at Gateway Technical College, in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Jim also served 23 years in the military, with nine years in the US Navy and fourteen years in the US Navy Reserves. He strives for continuous improvement and recently decided to “go the extra mile” and work toward a master’s degree in CTE to better serve the college and students. Jim also volunteers throughout the Gateway community serving youth and adults.

Dr. Bryan Albrecht, president and chief executive officer at Gateway Technical College, said “Jim is an inspiration to his students and a mentor to his fellow faculty.”

NOCTI congratulates Jim on receiving this national honor and applauds his commitment and dedication to CTE!

About NOCTI
NOCTI is the nation’s largest provider of industry partner certifications and industry-based credentials for career and technical education programs. Through the use of various assessments, NOCTI provides credible solutions for assessing both student and teacher competence, for data-driven instructional improvement and for regulatory requirements. Nocti Business Solutions tailors performance assessments for each client’s needs, helping them meet their goals through pre-employment testing, performance assessment, prior learning assessment and customized job skills assessment.