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# Zenobia's Clowns of Findlay, OH

Get Their 1924 Model A Fire Truck "Overhauled"



What a great honor it was to sit down with Dave Hager, Jon Jones, and Joe White of the Zenobia Clowns! The three men were joined by Ohio Logistics' Tom Orwick for a brief chat about the Zenobia Clowns and their recently overhauled fire truck, courtesy of Ohio Logistics.

OL: How long have you known each other?

Dave & Jon: (laughing) 40-45 years. A long time. We've known each for a long time. Dave: I must have joined the Clowns right after you did.

Jon: Do you remember when you joined? Dave: I can't remember. I'm old, Jon! I'd say at least 35 years. How long has it been since the old boys used to play cards with us? What the hell was him name?...the Chief of Police. Wayne Ethel!

Jon: Oh, Chief Ethel! Chief Ethel was the Secretary Treasurer when I joined.

Dave: Who's the other one?...the Mayor. He used to have tobacco juice running down off his mouth. We used to laugh at him all the time.

Jon & Dave: (laughing) Oh my God, yes! I can remember him, but I can't think of his

name...All them boys been gone a long time ....they've all passed away and gone. (Later confirmed that Dave joined the Shriners in 1971 and the Clowns in 1973).

OL: What's the purpose of the Clowns?

Dave: We support the crippled children's Hospital and the burns Hospital. If you have a child that's burned and the parents can't pay for it, we will take the child in at no charge. Same with the crippled children.

Jon: We take donations for the parades we go to. We ask for them to make a donation to our hospital. Zenobia Temple is our base station in Toledo that we all belong to. We have to be a member of Zenobia before we can be a Clown. And you have to be a 32nd degree Mason before you can be a Clown. So, you had to take 32 degrees of Masonic work. Now days you don't. Now days they do a one-day class. We currently have 38 to 40 dues paying members, with our youngest member being in his 40's.

OL: How many parades do you do per year? Jon: On average, about 52 to 55. I tell you; we do three parades in one day. One parade we go to McComb early in the morning, we

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#### Interesting Ohio History

Marion, Ohio has the festival for you. The Marion Popcorn Festival has been held annually since 1981 and is celebrated the weekend after Labor Day it is estimated that around 250,000 people from all around the country attend the festival each year making it the largest popcorn festival in the world. Whether you're a fan of kettle, caramel, cheesy, or traditional flavor, you'll have an abundance of popcorn from which to choose!

#### GYST May Winner:

Bowling Green & Columbus, OH, Northern Georgia Logistics

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meet at 7:00 and we go to McComb and do their parade, then we come back to Findlay, from there we go to Carey and do their parade. It's the same day. Gosh, there's several times we do two and three parades a day.

OL: Are you still active with the Clowns?

Dave: Oh yeah, we're active. Jon: We go to every parade.

Dave: We haven't missed a parade in I tell you when. I never missed....you got sick there and he missed some, a couple, but he was right back. But it's a lot of fun, and it's a good organization...pretty much a religious organization.

OL: Where do you meet?

Dave: We got our own building out here. How long has that building been there?

Jon: The building was a furniture store/warehouse when we got it. Duey Conley and his brother got together and we put trusses on it, it was a flat roof, and made it a hip roof barn.

OL: What purpose does the building serve?

Jon: The building is our club room. We have trophy cases and put all our trophies in it, there's four of those. We have a bar of course, and we have a big covered grill outdoors that we cook our steaks on. The guys all come usually at 5:30, is when I get there, and we play euchre and have a few libations, then eat dinner at 6:30.

OL: Are you looking for more members?

Jon: Oh, you bet we are! Oh, my goodness! All they have to do is contact one of us, and our members will get them an application to get started. The Masonic lodge has always been known as a secret organization of some kind, and it really isn't a secret. There's no secret about the thing.

Dave: Not anymore.

Jon: Not anymore. No, it's wide open even on the internet. You're living a life of a builder of the Temple. Your name is Hiram when you start up, Hiram Abiff, when you take your first degree work. You're known as Hiram all the time as you're doing your degree work.

OL: Have you had any first-hand experience with the children helped through your donations?

Joe: Every once in a while, you'll see a Shriner carrying a little girl on his back, and the crutches in his other hand.... A friend of mine in Athens, OH was a Shriner... they took this girl to the hospital and they cured her. He kept track of that girl and now she's in her 30's. He had

her come to the Temple in Columbus to show how she could walk perfectly with no crutches. They showed the picture...you've probably seen the Shriner carrying the little girl with the set of crutches over here. That was the original picture of the girl that they cured. It was really heartwarming.

Dave: It'll make you humble to go through one of these experiences. There's a saying that if you become a Mason, if he asks me for money, I give to him until I'm down to my last cent. That's the way we are, we're brothers. That's just the way it is. It's always been that way clear back to George Washington's time, or any of these Presidents that were Masons. I'd say about every other one has been a Mason.

OL: When is your next parade?

Jon: They cut all of our parades...cancelled all of them because of COVID. Soon as the governor releases it, we'll have parades again. We're hoping for some this fall. We always do a harvest parade.

OL: What all was done to your fire truck?

Jon: Oh, my gosh! They went over the truck completely from bumper to bumper, and rewired everything, put in all new conduit. The lights are brighter than I've ever seen them! Dave: We've run it for years and years and never done anything to it except service the engine to keep it running. It's a fire truck from 1924, and it was original.

OL: Who else donated to this project?

Tom: Bob Miller at Miller Customs donated some of the diamond plate aluminum. Joe Spoon at SkyMark bent the aluminum running boards for us. What we did to it was fabricate the seat brackets for the seats donated by Findlay Implement, moved the front seat to the back seat and fabricated that... put the fuel tank in there. A lot of the work we did underneath it you don't even see. We cleaned up the wiring, made the brackets for all the bells, made the hose hanger on the back, and installed 1/4" diamond plate floor boards.

Dave: These boys done all the rest of it. God, we appreciate you!

Jon: Fantastic, I tell you!

If you have additional interest in the Zenobia Clowns, please contact them through Zenobia Shrine at 419-661-9200.

# **Shriners Hospitals** for Children®

Useful Info.

A severe sunburn can make you sick. It can cause skin swelling, headache, fever, chills, nausea and vomiting. You should seek medical attention if:

- Blisters cover at least 20% of your skin's surface.
- You have a fever of 102 or higher.
- There is a yellow drainage or red discharge from a blister.
- Your sunburn does not heal within a week.

Keep in mind, a single severe sunburn can double your risk for melanoma, so be sure to see a dermatologist regularly.



## Did You Know?



In 2019, 53% of older people were hit with robocall scams. Those targeted, aged 55 to 80, reported scams seeking personal information. Nearly as many, 47%, say they were targets of financial scams last year. Older adults lose about \$2.9 billion to these financial scams every year.



# Driver of Q2 Darrin Simon



Darrin and Ben

Congratulations to our Driver of Q2, Darrin Simon!

Operations Manager, Ben Harris, says, "Darrin is just a great guy! Always has a smile on his face! Darrin has a laugh that will put a smile on your face even if you're having a rough day! He is flexible and willing to do whatever we ask of him. Long or short haul, Darrin just gets it!"

Thank you, Darrin! Ben's comments are very meaningful and well deserved. Ohio Logistics appreciates your great attitude and efforts!

### Clean Truck Inspections Passed

Randy Kelly, Ken Martin, & Austin Roberts

Thank you, and great job, men! We appreciate your hard work in representing our company so well!



#### Test Your Logistics IQ:

1) An ongoing process to determine activity and resource requirements (both financial and operational) based on the ongoing demand of products or services by specific customer needs. Resource requirements are compared to resources available and capacity issues are identified and managed.



2) The absence of effective competition for railroads from other carriers and modes for the traffic to which the rail rate applies. The Staggers Act stated that market dominance does not exist if the rate is below the revenue-to-variable-cost ratio of 160 percent in 1981 and 170 percent in 1983.



3) A visual means of measuring and plotting process and product variation. Results are used to adjust variables and maintain product quality.



#### July Dates of Importance:

July 4 - Independence Day July 7 - World Chocolate Day

July 14 - Bastille Day

July 19 - National French Fry Day

July 20 - First Man on the Moon, 1969

July 26 - Parents' Day

July 27 - Bugs Bunny Debuted, 1940

Answers to "Test Your Logistics IQ"

T. Activity-Based Planning (ABP) 2. Market Dominance 3. Statistical Process Control

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# #ThankATrucker

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As professional truck drivers continue to deliver America's goods during the coronavirus pandemic, the American Trucking Associations have launched the #ThankATrucker - Providing for the Frontlines campaign. This

Jason
Young
Ohio Logistics

new campaign is intended to provide relief to the hard-working men and women behind the wheel. Congratulations to Jason Young! We always knew that you were photo contest winning material!



## Meet Cori Gleason

Cori is a four-year associate and Facility Manager at our Southern Tier Division Southport facility. He was kind enough to answer our questions all the way from the Southern Tier region of New York.



OL: Tell us about your family.

Cori: My beautiful wife Autumn and I have been married for almost six years and are blessed with one daughter, Emma, who will be turning five soon.

OL: What do you like most about living in the Southern Tier region?

Cori: There is a lot to like about the Southern Tier. I enjoy the rich history of the area, as well as the wide variety of things to do around here especially during the summer time!

OL: Describe a typical day at work.

Cori: Each day consistently starts the same, with our morning meeting. From there my day is filled with various activities such as communicating with customers and colleagues, building orders, and working with our team to ensure we accomplish our goals each day. OL: Favorite local hole-in-the-wall restaurant?

Cori: With so many great options around, this is a hard one! I would have to go with Yee Olde Hickory House. They offer a very diverse menu, but my favorite is their extra crispy garlic parmesan chicken wings.

OL: Other than your family, name three individuals (from the past or present) that you would choose to share an evening of dinner and drinks?

Cori: Mark Cuban because he is a successful venture capitalist and I would love to hear how he got to where he is now. Elon Musk would be another interesting option, he's innovative and thinks outside of the box. Last but not least would be Ben Franklin because he accomplished so much in his life.





"Those who stand for nothing may fall for anything."
- Alexander Hamilton -

#### Happy Birthday To You!

OL Ohio

Todd Barlekamp 7/2 Mike Beining 7/27 Matt Cunningham 7/12 Ricky Gehring 7/10 Emmett Kelly 7/19 Dale Koch 7/19 Derek Laubenthal 7/3 Steven Miller 7/29

OL Southern Tier Div.
Vince Calvario 7/28
Dominic Christofaro 7/12
Gary Cooper 7/30
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Vicki Wood 7/11
Randall Young 7/28

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#### It's Your Anniversary!

**OL** Ohio

Josh Baker 2 Years Timothy Crabtree 2 Years Matt Cunningham 6 Years Jeff Grilliot 1 Year Mitch Hackworth 8 Years James Jones 1 Year Charles Jordan 13 Years Michael Justen 3 Years Shawn Keith 1 Year David Lenartavage 17 Years Julie Pahl 15 Years Lisa Williams 1 Year

**OL** Southern Tier Div. **Brandun Bozich** 3 Years Amy Campbell 2 Years Brandon Clark 2 Years Joshua Corwin 1 Year Debra DeCamp 4 Years Brian Girardi 8 Years Cori Gleason 3 Years Ricky Hersh 2 Years Jesse Javne 2 Years Nick Kinner 13 Years Hector Lopez 1 Year Josh MacMillan 2 Years Vincent Mullaney 1 Year Bonnie Ross 8 Years Tammy Smith 4 Years Christine Tietie 1 Year Shalene VanEtten 9 Years

OL Northern Georgia Div. Steven Howard 1 Year Greg Moten 3 Years

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