



Ohio Logistics' Southern Tier Division

Donates for Memorial to Gold Star Families

By Ohio Logistics' Ray Morrison

I would like to tell you about an experience I have been a small part of for the last two years. I have been on a committee here in the Elmira, NY area developing a memorial for local Gold Star Families (GSF). In case you are not familiar with GSF, a Gold Star Family is a family that has lost a loved one during active duty combat. All branches of the U.S. Military are represented with these memorials.

Southern Tier Logistics has provided funding, and our maintenance team has helped with installation of features represented at the memorial. Jim Hacket was the driving force that brought the memorial to Elmira Heights. Mr. Hacket is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, and has been working on the project for almost four years, securing funding and a location for the memorial, as well as organizing our committee.

The four pillars of the monument, **Homeland**, **Family**, **Patriot**, and **Sacrifice**, represent the following:

Homeland: This pillar represents where we live. It is the people. It is our family. It is our freedom.

Family: This pillar represents the uniquely brave spirit of our military families who provide support to their loved ones serving in our armed forces.

Patriot: This pillar represents those who vigorously support and defend our great nation through selfless service in our armed forces.

Sacrifice: This pillar represents the sacrifices made by our Gold Star Families.

The GSF memorial founder was Hershel "Woody" Williams (1923-2022). Mr. Williams devoted his life honoring and serving Gold Star Families. Cpl. Williams served with the 21st Marine, 3rd Marine Division at the Battle of Iwo Jima. The plaque in front of the memorial, honoring Mr. Williams, reads as follows:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as demolition sergeant serving with the 21st Marines, 3d Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands, 23 February 1945. Quick to volunteer his services when our tanks were maneuvering vainly to open a lane for the infantry through the network of reinforced concrete pillboxes, buried mines, and black volcanic sands, Cpl. Williams daringly went forward alone to attempt the reduction of devastating machinegun fire from the unyielding positions. Covered only by 4 riflemen, he fought desperately for 4 hours under terrific enemy small-arms fire and repeatedly returned to his own lines to prepare demolition charges and obtain serviced flamethrowers, struggling back, frequently to the rear of hostile emplacements, to wipe out 1 position after another. On 1 occasion, he daringly mounted a pillbox to insert the nozzle of his flamethrower through the air vent, killing the occupants and silencing the gun; on another he grimly charged enemy riflemen who attempted to stop him with bayonets and destroyed them with a burst of flame from his weapon. His unyielding determination and extraordinary heroism in the face of ruthless enemy resistance were directly instrumental in neutralizing one of the most fanatically defended Japanese strong points encountered by his regiment and aided vitally in enabling his company to reach its objective.

Cpl. Williams' aggressive fighting spirit and valiant devotion to duty throughout this fiercely contested action sustain and enhance the highest traditions of the U.S. Naval Service.



Jim Hackett with the memorial

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Interesting Ohio History

Canal Winchester was founded in 1828 by Reuben Dove and John Colman. Originally called Winchester, the town flourished because of agriculture and transportation. The Ohio & Erie Canal brought passengers, freight and a means to transport grain to market. The first canal boat floated through Winchester in 1831. The village was named Canal Winchester when the post office was established in 1841, because there were five other locations in the state named Winchester.

Spotlight May Winners:

Building #3, Bowling Green, Columbus, Fostoria #1, Ottawa, Trenton, OH, and Olive Branch, MS

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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in Fostoria, OH

150,000 sq. ft. expansion of Building #1 is celebrated



Chuck & Dee Dee Bills cut the ribbon celebrating Ohio Logistics' \$12,750,000 investment

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on June 8th to celebrate the completion of the recent building expansion to our Fostoria Building #1.

As Ohio Logistics continues to grow with one of our key strategic partners, we continue to add locations and increase our footprint at existing sites. One of the most recent expansions, just completed in April, is the 150,000 sq. ft. extension of our Fostoria Building #1 location. The additional square footage gives us a total of 750,000 sq. ft. at our West Jones Road location. Combined with our other two locations in Fostoria (Corporate Drive & Sandusky Street), over one million square feet

of state-of-the-art warehouse space is available for our customers. The expansion, or "Room Six" as we like to call it, is already a Foreign Trade Zone for our customer where we house their vendor managed inventory (VMI).

Hundreds of suppliers from across the globe are stored at Fostoria, an average of 40+ inbounds and 40+ outbounds are handled each day with full real-time inventory visibility to all of our customers. Ohio Logistics Fostoria also provides rail access serving our customers with the benefits of intermodal shipping efficiencies.

5 Year Anniversary

Congratulations, Derek Laubenthal!



Award Winner



Chris Yaeger won "Best Presentation of a Safety Topic" amongst our General Managers during a quarterly Operations Meeting.

Ohio Logistics Supports Honor Flight

85 Vietnam Veterans gathered on June 13th at the Grand Aire in Swanton for the second ever all-Vietnam Flag City Honor Flight.

Veterans and Guardians departed for Toledo Express Airport from various locations on flight day, with some Veterans and Guardians receiving an escort from the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, Wood County Sheriff's Office, Lucas County Sheriff's Office, and Legion Riders. Following breakfast at the Grand Aire hangar, the group departed via charter jet at 8 a.m., arriving at 9:30 a.m. in our nation's capital.

Upon arrival in Washington, D.C., the Veterans and Guardians traveled by bus to the World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War memorials, as well as the Marine Memorial and the Military Women's Memorial. They also had the opportunity to observe the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. After spending the day in D.C., touring military monuments, they flew back to a crowd of cheering friends and family to the homecoming they never had.

Chris Yaeger, Ohio Logistics' Ottawa facility Manager and Honor Flight guardian, commented, "Thank you, Chuck, for all you do for this Honor Flight. It was truly a blessing and an honor to be a part of! Words can't explain the emotions I felt when the night was over, and I laid in bed reflecting on the entire day. It truly was one of the most memorable things I had ever been a part of in my life!"



Chad Kemenah National Sprint Car Hall of Fame



Chad Kemenah, an owner/operator in Ohio Logistics' Trucking Division, was inducted into the National Sprint Car Hall of Fame on June 3rd during the 33rd induction ceremonies in Knoxville, Iowa.

Chad has been successful on the dirt tracks across the country for some time. He's a six-time All Star Circuit of Champions titlist, holds two Ohio Speedweek championships, is fourth with the series in A main starts, and is third in top five finishes and podium finishes. In addition to his All Star exploits, he was the Kevin Gobrecht Rookie of the Year with the World of Outlaws and holds six wins with them.

Ohio Logistics' CEO, Chuck Bills, states, "We are supporting Chad's son Creed, along with our long-time support of Greg Wilson. Creed is a young man who understands the value of family, education and commitment. We are excited to have both represent us at The Doty as I believe their respective families exemplify the spirit of sprint car racing."

Congratulations, Briana!

Briana Pruden, is the Human Resource Manager for Southern Tier Logistics (STL). She recently obtained her Society for Human Resource Management Certification (SHRM).

Briana has been a member of the STL team since May of 2018. She works at Painted Post facility in Elmira New York and is responsible for HR for Ohio Logistics' Eastern Leadership team.

Brad Doty Classic July 11th, 2023 at Attica Raceway



Tech Talk

By Ohio Logistics' IT Manager, Mike Spradlin



Welcome to "Tech Talk," your inside source for all things IT. Have you ever heard the term "Internet of Things" (IoT) and wondered what is that? The Internet of Things describes a network of physical objects, "things," that are embedded with sensors, software, and other technologies for the purpose of connecting and exchanging data with other devices and systems over the internet. I would be willing to bet most of us have IoT devices in our own homes. For example, if you have a video doorbell, a smart thermostat, a smart speaker such as Amazon's Echo, or even a refrigerator that is connected to the internet, these are all IoT devices. These devices collect and share data to help make our everyday lives easier, safer and more entertaining. Some will argue that more data isn't necessarily a good thing. Is it really anyone's business what music we listen to, or how warm our homes are?

Did you know: There are approximately 14.4 billion devices connected to the IoT as of 2023 and this number is expected to double by 2025.

Fact: On average, there is only one reply per 12 million spam emails sent.

Test Your Logistics IQ:

1) A financial ratio used to determine how an organization's resources perform relative to the revenue the resources produce. Activity ratios include inventory turnover, receivables conversion period, fixed-asset turnover, and return on assets.



2) A time-phased statement of expected customer orders anticipated to be received (incoming sales, not outgoing shipment) for each major product family or item. It represents sales and marketing management's commitment to take all reasonable steps necessary to achieve this level of actual customer orders. The sales plan is a necessary input to the production planning process (or sales and operations planning process). It is expressed in units identical to those used for the production plan (as well as in sales dollars).



3) In e-commerce, a system of guaranteeing the security of financial transactions conducted over the Internet.



July Dates of Importance:

July 2 - First Zeppelin Flight, 1900
July 4 - Independence Day
July 16 - National Ice Cream Day
July 20 - National Moon Day
July 23 - Parents' Day
July 24 - Amelia Earhart Day

Answers to "Test Your Logistics IQ"

3. Secure Electronic Transaction
2. Sales Plan
1. Activity Ratio

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Meet Brad Darby

Brad is a ten-year Associate and forklift driver for our Penn Centre Division. He was kind enough to provide some quality answers to our questions.



OL: Tell us about your family.

Brad: There is my wife Mandy, our 12-year-old son Odin, 2 dogs Church and Stella, and Buttons our cat.

OL: How do you like to spend your free time?

Brad: I enjoy fishing with my son, and spending time with the Susquehanna Valley Big Twins Motorcycle club, a non-profit organi-

zation that helps children and others in need in our community. We set up rides and benefits for those that need help. I enjoy spending time with other members and their families when I'm not working.

OL: Give us your recommendation for a great local hole-in-the-wall restaurant where you live.

Brad: My favorite place to eat in my town is Pizza City. All the food is great but I would recommend the boneless wings with a side of their Kamikaze sauce, it has a great flavor and just the right amount of heat.

OL: What is one of your biggest pet peeves?

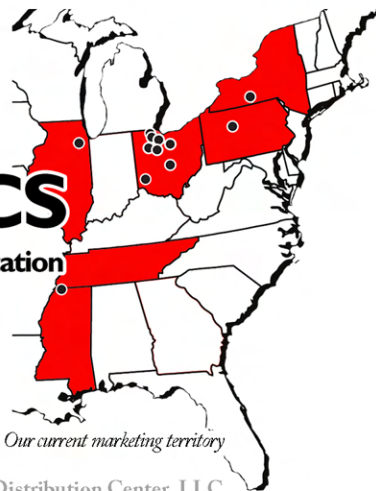
Brad: When someone tells you what they think you want to hear. Just be honest... it's the best policy.

OL: If you just won \$50,000 in the lottery, what would you do with the money?

Brad: I would take \$40,000 to pay off some debt, and buy a boat to go fishing with my son. The rest I would donate to the Susquehanna Valley Big Twins MC to help some less fortunate families in my community.

OL: Tell us about the best vacation that you've ever been on.

Brad: I don't really take vacations. When I take off work it's to work at the club. My favorite time that I take off work is for an annual weekend party that my club holds every 4th of July.



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*"The Goal of Life is to discover your gifts.
The Work of Life is to develop those gifts.
The Purpose of Life is to Give those gifts away."*

- Picasso -

Happy Birthday To You!

OL Ohio

Michael Beining 7/27
Matt Cunningham 7/12
Bryon Helms 7/26
Emmett Kelly 7/19
Dale Koch 7/19
Derek Laubenthal 7/3
Brooklyn Molter 7/11
Bryon Petran 7/21
Alisha Pierce 7/25
Gregory Schuck 7/31
Ginger Woodruff 7/4

OL Southern Tier Div.

Vincent Calvario 7/28
Dominic Christofaro 7/12
Quinton Clark 7/12
Gary Cooper 7/30
Daniel Dobek 7/29
Nathan Evancho 7/8
James Graham 7/17
Jonathan Hoffman 7/22
Donald Jackson 7/17
Andre Jamison 7/19
Scott Jones 7/11
Randy Peterson 7/5
Pamela Reddington 7/22
Chancy Seager 7/8
Anne Stiles 7/15
Shalene VanEtten 7/1
Vicki Wood 7/11

OL Penn Centre Div.

Rachel Irwin 7/29

It's Your Anniversary!

OL Ohio

Toby Borer 2 Years
Holly Caudle 1 Year
Travis Conn 3 Years
Matt Cunningham 9 Years
Mitchel Hackworth 11 Years
James Jones 4 Years
Charles Jordan 16 Years
Michael Justen 6 Years
David Lenartavage 20 Years
Kaiya McGuire 1 Year
Julie Pahl 18 Years
Paul Porter 1 Year

OL Southern Tier Div.

Brandun Bozich 6 Years
Joshua Crowley 2 Years
Steven Fawcett 1 Year
Cori Gleason 6 Years
Ricky Hersh 5 Years
Andre Jamison 3 Years
Nick Kinner 16 Years
Hector Lopez 4 Years
Joseph Moyers 1 Year
Jamie Nelson 2 Years
Wesley Newcomb 1 Year
Steven Parker 2 Years
Rory Poole 2 Years
Shalene VanEtten 12 Years
Shane VonRapacki 2 Years
Christopher Wexell 2 Years

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Andrew Weaver 2 Years