



# Ohio Logistics Supports Flag City Honor Flight and Their 27th Mission



Flag City Honor Flight is a 100% volunteer-run non-profit organization founded in 2010. The organization relies on volunteers to plan, develop, orchestrate, and implement the entire mission. Additionally, community members volunteer to be Guardians and accompany Veterans to the memorials in Washington, D.C. on Flight Day,

Flag City Honor Flight annually takes approximately 350 Veterans to Washington, D.C. at no cost to the Veterans. The organization relies on charitable donations to support the extensive logistics and expenses involved in creating this experience for these special honorees.

Ohio Logistics' Matt Cunningham was a Guardian on the June 11th flight accompanying his father, a Vietnam Veteran. Matt stated, "Due to my father's health he was very appreciative of the opportunity as it may be his last trip, and he really enjoyed himself. Being around all of the Veterans and hearing their stories was very impactful. My dad told me many more stories about his time in Vietnam, and this is a trip we will never forget."

Matt extends his gratitude and is thankful for the opportunity to take his father on this flight and appreciates Ohio Logistics making it happen!

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**Interesting Ohio History**

American film actor, Clark Gable, was born in Cadiz, OH. He worked on the family farm, Firestone Tire & Rubber Company in Akron, and other odd jobs while honing his acting skills. Over the course of his 37-year career, Gable played roles in more than 60 motion pictures across various genres. Gable's masculine charm and magnetic performances quickly solidified his stature as a cinematic icon. He won an Academy Award for his role in, It Happened One Night, and received tremendous success as Rhett Butler in the historical film, Gone with the Wind.

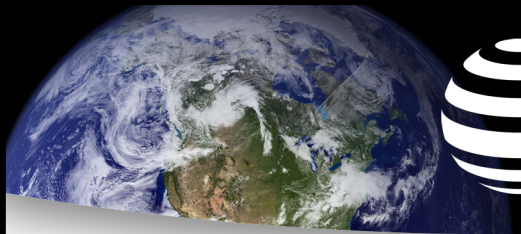
**Spotlight May Winners:**

**Fostoria #3 & Bowling Green, OH**

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## Supply Chain Award Presented to Ohio Logistics

*By Ohio Logistics' Eric Smith*



*Our 750,000 sq. ft. warehouse in Fostoria, OH plays a prominent role with the Whirlpool business*

Team,

Good morning! If you look back at the past few years our growth has been amazing to watch and be a part of. From Trenton signing new contracts and exponentially growing in associates and activity, to Olive Branch moving to a new building and almost doubling in size. In Bowling Green, it seems like we are starting construction on a new building every week! The development of our new Industrial Park in Horseheads, NY. STL's ISO certification with no findings! Opening Clyde, opening Continental, the list goes on and on.

Whirlpool is a large part of the growth we have achieved. Our Ohio Logistics Whirlpool teams, continually impress with their dedication in pride in what they do every day. To put it in perspective, just six years ago we averaged 40 truckloads a MONTH for Whirlpool. Now we average over 100

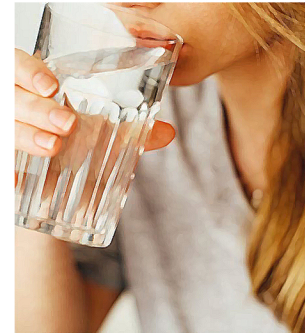
truckloads per day across our network and manage 100% of Whirlpool's Vendor Managed Inventory and two Whirlpool cross docks.

We are pleased and excited to communicate that Whirlpool has announced their 2023 Supply Chain Award winners and Ohio Logistics has won the 2023 Whirlpool Supply Chain Award for Alliance! Congratulations are due to our entire company, every Associate, directly or indirectly has a piece in helping us all become better operators for our customers.

This is a monumental achievement, thank you for making us a better company, every day. One Team, One Goal!

More details to come...  
Sincerely,  
Eric Smith

## Take Good Care Of Yourself



Drinking water is essential for maintaining good health and overall well-being. Water is a fundamental component of the human body, making up about 60% of an adult's body weight. It plays a crucial role in various bodily functions, including regulating body temperature, transporting nutrients, and removing waste products. Proper hydration supports digestion, nutrient absorption, and circulation.

Consuming an adequate amount of water daily can help prevent dehydration, which can lead to a range of issues such as headaches, fatigue, and impaired cognitive function. Water also aids in maintaining healthy skin and can help manage weight by promoting a feeling of fullness.

Furthermore, staying hydrated is vital for physical performance. During exercise, water helps to lubricate joints and maintain optimal muscle function. It also replaces fluids lost through sweat, reducing the risk of heat-related illnesses.

Incorporating a sufficient amount of water into your daily routine is simple yet profoundly beneficial. By prioritizing hydration, you support your body's essential functions and contribute to long-term health and vitality.





## Southern Tier Logistics Associates Volunteer

A group of Associates from our Southern Tier Division had a productive day volunteering at Village Green Apartments. The United Way Day of Action had 390 volunteers, and 32 projects with a total of 2,200 volunteer hours. Great job everyone!



## Cornhole Tournament

Building #1 in Fostoria, OH was the scene of a weeklong cornhole tournament last month. The winners of the Championship Game were Sophia Holguin and Andrew Fruth. Congratulations to both of you!



### Test Your Logistics IQ:

1) Indicators of the work performed and the results achieved in an activity, process, or organizational unit. Performance measures should be both non-financial and financial. Performance measures enable periodic comparison and benchmarking.



2) Sets the pace of production to match the rate of customer demand and becomes the heartbeat of any lean production system. It's computed as the available production time divided by the rate of customer demand. For example, assume demand is 10,000 units per month, or 500 units per day, and planned available capacity is 420 minutes per day. The takt time = 420 minutes per day / 500 units per day = 0.84 minutes per unit. This takt time means that a unit should be planned to exit the production system on average every 0.84 minutes.



3) An entire, uninterrupted locomotive, car, and caboose movement between an origin and destination.



### July Dates of Importance:

- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 14 - Bastille Day
- July 17 - National Hot Dog Day
- July 20 - First Moon Landing, 1969
- July 21 - National Ice Cream Day
- July 26 - Summer Olympics Begin
- July 28 - Parents' Day

### Answers to "Test Your Logistics IQ"

- 1. Performance Measures
- 2. Takt Time
- 3. Unit Train

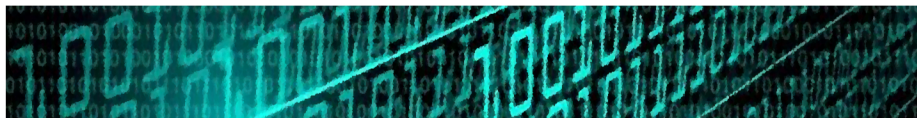
### We are members of:

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## Tech Talk

By Ohio Logistics' IT Manager, Mike Spradlin



Welcome to "Tech Talk," your inside source for all things IT. How is AI impacting the logistics industry? By leveraging AI, logistics companies can enhance efficiency, reduce costs, and improve customer satisfaction. One of the primary applications of AI in logistics is predictive analytics, which enables companies to forecast demand with greater accuracy. AI algorithms can predict future demand, allowing companies to manage their inventories more effectively and avoid over or under stocking. AI is also being used for route optimization, helping logistics companies determine the most efficient routes for forklift travel inside a warehouse. The integration of AI in logistics also extends to predictive maintenance, where AI algorithms analyze data from equipment and

vehicles to predict potential failures and schedule maintenance proactively, reducing downtime and extending the lifespan of assets. As AI technology continues to advance, its impact on the logistics industry will only grow, driving further innovation and transforming the way goods are transported and managed globally.

Did you know? As AI systems are exposed to more data, they become more accurate and efficient in their tasks, essentially "learning" from experience much like humans do.

Fact: It is widely accepted that the first AI engine, named Logic Theorist, was developed back in 1956! Logic Theorist was a groundbreaking program designed to mimic the problem-solving skills of humans.



## Meet Tonia Dukes

Tonia is an HR Generalist specializing in recruiting and joined the Ohio Logistics team in November of 2023. Read below to learn a little more about Tonia.



OL: Tell us about your family.

Tonia: I have a wonderful husband of 11 years. We have four children, Kalen-26, Riley-23, Bryce-22, Brinley-nine, and an awesome granddaughter, Kinsley-three, along with Stella, our four-year-old boxer.

OL: What are your favorite things to do with your free time?

Tonia: Anything outside as long as it is sunny and warm. Camping, kayaking, fishing, gardening, grilling, walking, and all the yard work!

OL: Describe your best vacation.

Tonia: All vacations are the best-Florida is my happy place!

OL: Favorite home cooked meal?

Tonia: Steak, and shrimp, any potatoes, and of course salad!

OL: What is your biggest pet peeve?

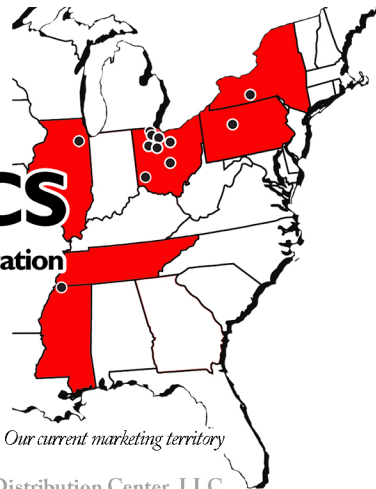
Tonia: Messy spaces – Items should always have a “home.”

OL: Which famous person would you most like to sit down with for a few drinks and why?

Tonia: I am not up to date on celebrities, but I would not mind having a drink and conversation with Jason Deford (Jelly Roll) to hear first hand his life success despite his struggled past.

OL: What do you like most about working for Ohio Logistics?

Tonia: Culture, Work-Life balance with an upbeat and fun environment to walk into every day. All the amazing Associates I get to meet and work with as well as speaking and meeting with the future Associates of Ohio Logistics.



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*"If everyone is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking."*

- Gen. George S. Patton -

### Happy Birthday To You!

#### OL Ohio

- Michael Beining 7/27
- Trent Bogantz 7/10
- Sawyer Brown 7/15
- Matt Cunningham 7/12
- Derik Dunson 7/25
- Gary Foster 7/15
- Bryon Helms 7/26
- Austin Hendrix 7/27
- Emmett Kelly 7/19
- Dale Koch 7/19
- Brooklynn Molter 7/11
- Bryon Petran 7/21
- Austin Varela 7/23

#### OL Southern Tier Div.

- Vincent Calvario 7/28
- Quinton Clark 7/12
- Gary Cooper 7/30
- Daniel Dobek 7/29
- Jonathan Hoffman 7/22
- Andre Jamison 7/19
- Scott Jones 7/11
- Pamela Reddington 7/22
- Brian Robson 7/31
- Anne Stiles 7/15
- Shalene VanEtten 7/1

#### OL Penn Centre Div.

- Rachel Irwin 7/29
- Laura Struble 7/30

### It's Your Anniversary!

#### OL Ohio

- Toby Borer 3 Years
- Michael Brown 1 Year
- Christina Carberry 1 Year
- Holly Caudle 2 Years
- Travis Conn 4 Years
- Matt Cunningham 10 Years
- Carlotta Estrada 1 Year
- Jack Flaughner 1 Year
- Aubrey Fleming 1 Year
- Mitchel Hackworth 12 Years
- James Jones 5 Years
- Charles Jordan 17 Years
- Michael Justen 7 Years
- David Lenartavage 21 Years
- Kaiya McGuire 2 Years
- Paul Porter 2 Years
- Jill Rudecki 1 Year

#### OL Southern Tier Div.

- Brandun Bozich 7 Years
- Kenton Bryant 1 Year
- Stephen Butts 1 Year
- Joshua Crowley 3 Years
- Ricky Hersh 6 Years
- Andre Jamison 4 Years
- Nick Kinner 17 Years
- Hector Lopez 5 Years
- Joseph Moyers 2 Years
- Jamie Nelson 3 Years
- Leann Nguyen 1 Year
- Steven Parker 3 Years
- James Pollard 1 Year
- Rory Poole 3 Years
- Timothy Roberts 1 Year
- Shalene VanEtten 13 Years
- Ioane Werner 1 Year
- Christopher Wexell 3 Years

#### OL Penn Centre Div.

- Billijo Hutchings 1 Year

#### OL Olive Branch Div.

- Craig Johnson 1 Year