

# **First Loads for ExxonMobil**

With an on-time delivery percentage of 98.5%, our drivers do a good job for our customers every day. Our hard working drivers help the company prosper in good times and bad.

Our first loads for ExxonMobil Chemical kick off on March 30<sup>th</sup>. The majority of the loads will originate from Baytown, TX and go to Houston, TX. Some of the loads will go to Louisiana.

Barry Hall, Jonathan Lockstein, and Jim Tormey met with Winston Johnson, Overland Transportation Supervisor for the ExxonMobil Intermediates. Winston Johnson also visited the Baum Drive location in Knoxville where he met with all stakeholders. The group put a plan in place that will set these loads into motion.

It is crucial for everyone to focus customer service, particularly in a timely manner. How?

### View Yourself as a Steward

We have all been entrusted to properly manage every aspect of these loads, from the financial system to the final delivery. We are all stewards of chemicals, transportation, money, time, safety, and-most importantly--customer relationships.

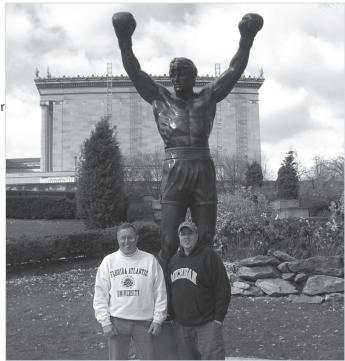
## View from a Grateful Perspective

- We are grateful for the opportunity to haul 3,854 loads for a new customer.
- In today's economy, we are able to grow our business when competition is fierce.
- We are able to shine above our competition because of our superior levels of safety and quality.
- Our influence with customers will shape our future.
- The way we steward every transaction determines the future of the company.

# **Croydon, PA: Triumph in Operations, Recruiting, and Safety**

submitted by Gary Reagan, President, Highway Transport Chemical, LLC

The boxing film Rocky (1976) starring Sylvester Stallone introduced a down-and-out club fighter named Rocky Balboa who goes on to defeat the reigning heavy weight boxing champion of the world. To prepare for this big fight, Rocky Balboa began a training regimen of early morning runs through the streets of South Philly that culminated atop the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. As Rocky finished running up the Museum's 72-step entrance, he raised his arms in tri-



umph. The above photo of Bob Godsmark and Tony Booker illustrates the point that Highway Transport Chemical is celebrating moments of triumph in our own special way. Below are some shining examples of Highway Transport steadfastness in doing something despite delay or hardship.

Moving to a new location is a big undertaking. It is one of the most problematic tasks, and it makes people mentally and physically tired. It is important to recognize the efforts of Tim Brock and Chris Worthington during the successful transition from our Bensalem terminal to Croydon, PA. They were able maintain a high level of customer service while moving between the physical locations of the old and new facilities, which are about 6 miles apart.

Also I would like to recognize the recruiting department. Bob Godsmark and Tony Booker worked hard to complete the hiring of 20 drivers for the Croydon operation. The largest component of the hiring process is in getting drivers properly trained. Bill Reagan and Charles Perry are to be commended for their efforts in guiding such a large group of professional tank truck drivers to be trained on our systems and understand our customers' needs.

quote from  $Rocky\ VI$ : I don't care how tough you are, It'll (life) beat you to your knees and keep you there permanently if you let it. You, me, nobody is gonna hit you as hard as life. But it ain't about how hard you hit. It's about how hard you can get hit and keep moving forward; how much you can take and keep getting up. That's how winnin' is done.

# **Service Anniversaries** March 2009

A large crowd turned out at the Knoxville terminal to honor Knoxville Driver Howard Immenhort for 20 years of service. Known fondly to everyone as "H" or "Big H", he was presented the Rolex watch. Drivers and co-workers went around the room and remarked about his outstanding service to the company and his safety record. Greg Watkins and others took the time to reminisce about



their favorite memory of working with "H". Howard and his wife Barbara were glad to celebrate with everyone, and "H" gave a short address expressing his amazement at how his 20 years with Highway have just flown by. •

## Personnel & Personal

# New Arrivals . . .

We are pleased to announce the birth of a new granddaughter for Bob Godsmark. Ella Marie Irwin, 5.6 lbs., 17-inches long, born 9:59 p.m. • HTC has hired **Bob Connor** as the teron February 12.

# Personnel Changes . . .

• David Rudan has been hired as the General Services Manager at Croydon. He brings with him over 32 years of experience in managing maintenance func- With Deepest Sympathy . . . tions and was previously affiliated with Freightliner of Philadelphia and Penske



Truck Leasing. He will be responsible for the maintenance and tank cleaning functions in Croydon.

minal manager for Croydon. Bob has a Bachelor of Science degree in business management from Rutgers University and extensive experience in transportation and logistics with Praxair and Trimac.

Becky Ishibashi's mother passed away on February 12. 🕡

# **Driver Safety Awards**



Knoxville Driver Bob Vineyard (right) is presented the 15-year safety award by Scott Ennen (left) Vice President of Safety & Quality.



Knoxville Driver Gerald Edwards (right) is presented the 16-year safety award by Scott Ennen

### 20 Years

Howard Immenhort, Knoxville Driver

#### 17 Years

Leonard Steele, Jr., Chattanooga Tank Cleaner Kenneth Barnett, Chattanooga Tank Cleaner

#### 16 Years

Beverly Henderson, Pricing Coordinator David McDaniel. Knoxville Driver

#### 13 Years

James Bristol, Knoxville Driver Becky Sanders, Petroleum Sales Manager Michael Stropp, Knoxville Driver

### 11 Years

Steven Cranfield, Chattanooga Ťank Cleaner James Nicley, Knoxville Driver Jackie Taylor, Knoxville Driver

#### 10 Years

Don Howard, Knoxville Petroleum Driver

#### 7 Years

Joseph Macon, Knoxville Contractor

Theodore Nussbaum, Chattanooga Driver

### 2 Years

Michael Samuel, McDonough Driver

#### 1 Year

Martin Brown, McDonough Driver Richard Garza, Chicago Driver Robert Harden, McDonough Driver Stephen Harvey, Chattanooga Contractor Loyd Houltzhouser, Joliet Driver Kelvin Prince, LaPorte Driver Andrew Sims, Chicago Driver Zygmunt Wieckowski, Chicago Driver

# March **Birthdays**

Charles Baker Arthur Beckett Martin Brown Jerry Burleson Martin Conley Kenneth Dickey Donald Franks Richard Garza Timothy Gibson Paul Goodale Roy Haynes Keith Idle Becky Ishibashi Jerry Johnston Ray Kitching, Jr. Billy Lively Jeffrey Long Gilbert Martinez Reginald Miller

**Bob Nettles** Jerry Nicely Jared Pierce Michael Pittman Harold Randolph Bill Reagan Philip Shelley Traci Smith Wilbert Sneed Patrick Sowers Dan Teffeteller David Weidner Neil Williams Michael Wolf



# **Customer Testimonial: Mark Hamilton**

e-mail correspondence between Neil Evans and a customer

Troy---are you OK with Mark? All Paperwork straight?---Neil

Mark is a fine example of a truck driver, and if I owned a trucking company, I would want Mark working for me, he is EXCELLENT! Thanks Neil. Best regards, Troy D. Creech Magnum International, Inc. 10