

# W.W. Transport INC.

## Safety Newsletter

June 2019



### MAY SAFETY LEADERS

#### Congratulations to this month's Safety Leaders!

Michael Carnahan- Ogden, UT  
Jeffrey Ewing- Columbus, OH  
Gregory Horn- North Texas  
Fred Steinback- Commerce City, CO  
Gary Vall- Cleveland, OH  
Matt Hays- Burlington, IA

Jose Cedeno- Tampa, FL  
William Harrison- Cleveland, OH  
Charles Schnicker- Burlington, IA  
Rodney Swisher- Flatbed Division  
Charles Wilson- Cement Division

Keep up the great work!



A week from now there will be no shortage of Fourth of July celebrations to take part in, and whether your hosting or joining a party, remember that safety comes first, especially with our traditions of fireworks shows. Special care should be taken when young children are enjoying the festivities including: waiting a half hour between eating and swimming, and using fireworks only under adult supervision. Keep the celebration positive and free from injury by remembering these 10 safety tips from FEMA.gov:

1. Be sure fireworks are legal in your area before using or buying them.
2. Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities and never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks. Sparklers alone account for one quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.
3. If you set off fireworks, keep a bucket of water handy in case of malfunction or fire.

4. If fireworks malfunction, do not relight them! Douse and soak them with water then throw them away.
5. Never ignite fireworks in a container, especially one that is glass or metal.
6. Use your grill well away from your home and deck railings, and out from under branches or overhangs.
7. Open your gas grill before lighting.
8. Periodically remove grease or fat buildup in trays below your gas or propane grill so it cannot be ignited.
9. Declare a three-foot "kid and pet-free zone" around the grill to keep them safe.
10. Avoid loose clothing that can catch fire when cooking on the grill.

Make sure to be mindful of the time spent in the sun too, wearing sun block when needed and replenishing with water when possible to counter possible dehydration for both you and your young ones.



#### Wet Weather

#### Driving Tips

With many areas across the United States being hit by heavy rain downpours to flooding, driving conditions may change from unfavorable to hazardous in the matter of minutes. For drivers, that can mean anything from simple delays and detours to serious accidents and injuries. Driving in these conditions can make anyone anxious, but following some simple tips can help you escape the rough weather without problem:

**Pre-trip, pre-trip, pre-trip:** Before you head out on the road make sure your truck and trailer are safe to be operating in both good and unfavorable conditions. As part of your pre-trip, check your route for upcoming weather alerts or detours to be prepared for.

**Eliminate Distractions:** Always Keep your eyes on the road, regardless of the weather. Move items you think you will need, such as your Bluetooth headset or water, to within arm's reach so you don't have to look for them while driving.

**Slow down:** Low speeds and increased following distances allow you more time to react to driver's around you or other unknown conditions. Slowing down will also limit the risk of hydroplaning. The faster you drive the more difficult it can be for your vehicles tires to dissipate water.

#### Wear your seat belt!

**Pull over:** Don't put yourself into any unnecessary risk. If the conditions go from bad to worse, it's ok to wait it out. If you pull over, do your best to find a safe parking spot away from the road. Wait for conditions to improve before heading back out.

While it's important to get to your location on schedule, bad weather happens. Getting through it safely should be your main priority. Set yourself up for success and give yourself extra time to get there if you know you'll be encountering some bad conditions, this will save you time in the long run.



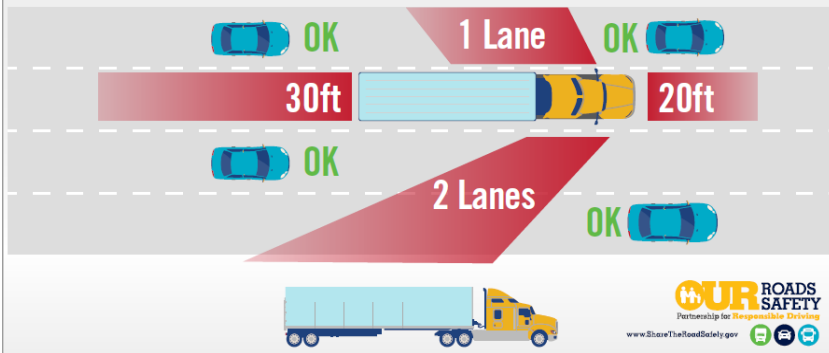
## June Milestones

### We appreciate your work for all these years and many best wishes on the anniversary of your service this June!

Warren Holmes, 18 years! Burlington, IA  
 Shelly Wagler, 15 years! Payroll/Accounting  
 Troyer Knowles, 14 years! Tampa Manager  
 Derwin Wallace, 12 years! Refrigerated Division  
 Carl Henderson, 10 years! Commerce City, CO  
 Chris Geyer, 8 years! Camp Hill, PA  
 Denny Robinson, 7 years! Burlington, IA  
 Russel McCarty, 5 years! Martins Creek Tank Wash

Steve Roth, 16 years! Burlington Shop Manager  
 Ronald Bielser, 14 years! Burlington, IA  
 Teresa Trail, 14 years! Dispatcher  
 Lon Smith, 11 years! Burlington, IA  
 Doug Mueller, 9 years! Cement Division  
 Jason Graves, 7 years! Flatbed Dispatcher  
 David Thompson, 7 years! Burlington Shop/Support  
 Scott Shaver, 5 years! South Texas

## BE AWARE OF BLIND SPOTS



## T-shirt Order!

This year's t-shirt orders are being done completely online! To order go to <http://anywearburl.com/collections>. There you'll be able to choose your favorite W.W. Transport shirt, polo, sweater or jacket. Guess what! You can even find a W.W. baseball hat and stocking cap. Hurry because the online store is only open until July 8, 2019.

## Employee Spotlight

### William Harrison, Cleveland, OH



William Harrison is a member of our Cleveland terminal and a May Safety Leader. He was born and raised in the Cleveland area, and has held his CDL for over 20 years. In the past, William has driven HAZMAT and spent over 8 years as a bus driver with the Cleveland Rail Transit Authority. Eventually William decided he wanted to explore driving a tractor-trailer and began driving for W.W. Transport, quickly learning the particulars of delivering with pneumatic tanks. William has worked

with W.W. Transport for over 3 years and is now the lead driver at the Cleveland Terminal. As a lead driver, William preps and trains new employees on what to expect as a W.W. driver, including how to operate their trucks safely and how to perform a proper unload at any given customer location. William makes sure newer drivers know that they can reach him if they run into any trouble, making himself available to walk them through any issues they have

with unloading. For new drivers, the main advice William tries to convey is to never rush, "Don't be in a hurry, speed kills." William says. "When you rush, that's when you make mistakes."

### Jerry Elliott, Camp Hill, PA



Jerry Elliott is a member of our Camp Hill team and has worked with W.W. Transport for over 4 years. Jerry has been a truck driver for over 13 years, driving mostly dry van before hauling pneumatics with W.W. His manager, Steven Street, says, "Jerry is one of the hardest working guys we have." He holds a very important role at the Camp Hill terminal, what Jerry handles on a day to day basis can be considered a nightmare for a lot of truckers, contending

with New York City traffic to deliver into the heart of Brooklyn. Jerry is modest about the intensity he may sometimes encounter getting to his delivery and says he prefers to focus on the tranquility on the way there, "I enjoy the drive," Jerry says, "not the traffic, but I enjoy the drive before the city." On a given day, Jerry will leave Camp Hill around 2 A.M. to make his delivery in Brooklyn. "He has a great

attitude and is always willing to lend a hand to anyone that asks," Steven said, "he's passionate about his work and how it's done." Jerry's advice for any new driver is to be resilient. Jerry says, "The best advice I can give is, no matter how frustrating it gets, tomorrow is a brand-new day."