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Lucas Ratcliffe Trucking's stunning Big Rig was just one of the many beautiful trucks at the 2019 NO COAST Largecars Truck Show. Turn to pages 10 & 11 for more photos and story. - Photo by Matt Conrad -

Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. Celebrates 35 Years of Service



The Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. facility located at 3111 Grand Avenue in Neville Island, Pennsylvania.

By Steve Pollock
PITTSBURGH, PA.... Frank and Marian Mancino founded Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. in June of 1985 when they became a Trailmobile dealer on Route 8 in Glenshaw, Pennsylvania. It wasn't long until Tri-State Trailer Sales moved to a more accessible location on Campbells Run Road in Pittsburgh.

In 1994, the Mancinos built an ultra-modern sales, service and parts dealership and moved to 3111 Grand Avenue in Neville Island, Pennsylvania. The new location had easy access to I-79 for their customers. The ensuing years saw incredible growth for Tri-State Trailer Sales, going from a single trailer dealership in Pittsburgh to four full service

dealerships through acquisition. In 1996, Tri-State Trailer Sales acquired a dealership in Lancaster, PA from Trailmobile. In 1998, another location was purchased in Hubbard, Ohio and in 2000, they purchased a dealership in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Today, Tri-State Trailer continued on page 2

75 Chrome Shop – Chrome And A Whole Lot More



By Steve Pollock
WILDWOOD, FL... 75 Chrome Shop, located at 419 E State Road 44 (I-75 Exit 329) Wildwood, Florida, is truly a trucker's paradise. It is a place to take your truck to be pampered. The company has been owned and operated by the Farkus family for over 30 years. They take great pride in the cleanliness of their facility as well as their expert customer service and product knowledge of the staff.

75 Chrome Shop is so much more than just a chrome shop. Professional Truck Drivers will find a full laundry, sparkling clean showers and a state-of-the-art game room with big screen TVs. They also have a custom graphics department onsite, offering vinyl lettering and installation as well as custom apparel embroidery, company logo apparel and signs – no job too big or too small, laser engraving, custom acrylic tags and much more.

They have also installed a brand new Digital Controlled Parking System to ensure that customers have the Best Parking Environment possible that means providing a Clean, Safe Parking area where our Customers always have the opportunity to earn Free Validation!

There is also a truck service center on the premises that provides complete chrome

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Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. Celebrates 35 Years of Service



A great selection of new and used trailers are in stock at Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc.

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Sales, Inc. remains under the ownership and management of the Mancino family and is in the process of expanding their sales offices at the Pittsburgh, PA location. The company

holds a number of trailer franchises from industry leading manufacturers, including: Reitnouer, Transcraft, Manac, CIMC Vanguard, Heil, Landoll, Fontaine, Dorsey, Peerless, XL Specialized, and Eager Beaver.

Tri-State Trailer Sales is a member of the National Trailer Dealers Association (NTDA) and the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association (PMTA).

All of Tri-State Trailer Sales locations are full service deal-

erships, offering full service trailer sales, parts and repairs for all makes of trailers - from minor repairs to major rebuilding, including roof replacement, body and door repairs, and floor replacements

for flatbeds and vans. Tri-State also offers complete electrical and air system services as well. Experienced factory and in-house trained technicians will perform your repairs so you can hit the road with the confidence that the job was done right the first time. The Pittsburgh and Cincinnati locations are both ASME accredited for dry bulk and liquid tank repairs.

Tri-State Trailer Sales' motto is: "We make business easy, guaranteed."™, a fact that is illustrated by Tri-State consistently being recognized by manufacturers over the years for being among the Top 10 in equipment sales amongst the dealer network. At any given time, Tri-State maintains millions of dollars in inventory between their 4 dealerships. Hundreds of new and used trailers are in stock at all times. Tri-State stocks a wide range of trailers, including vans, reefers, specialized multi-axle extendables, aluminum and steel flatbeds and dropdecks, Landoll sliding axle trailers and liquid and dry bulk tankers.

Tri-State offers several financing options through various lenders. They also buy used trailers from individuals as well as mega fleets, auctions, and bankruptcies. In the past month, Tri-State Trailer has acquired over 250 quality used

trailers of various makes and models, give one of their sales professionals a call for details.

If you need a trailer on a temporary basis, Tri-State operates their own rental and leasing company, Tri-State Trailer Leasing (TSTL). Their motto is, "We solve problems." All of the trailer lines and models carried by Tri-State Trailer Sales are offered for rent or lease through TSTL, including Tri-State's special Reitnouer flatbed fleet equipped with Vango Tarping Systems, which feature various charities on each individual trailer. You can Ride With Pride while building awareness about local and national charities.

Monthly parts, sales, leasing and service specials are offered by Tri-State Trailer Sales. The company publishes a quarterly sales flyer and customers can also check their website or the ad in Movin' Out for specials as well.

As we all try to get through the COVID-19 Pandemic together, Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. remains committed to serving their customers. Special precautions have been implemented to allow Tri-State to continue to stay open. The Parts and Service Department are open, and trailers can be purchased online or on the phone.

Tri-State Trailer Sales Designs Unique Heavy Haul Trailer



This unique heavy haul trailer is a collaboration between Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. and XL Specialized.

By Steve Pollock

PITTSBURGH, PA.... Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. has designed a unique heavy haul trailer built by XL Specialized. The trailer was a collaboration between Tri-State Trailer Sales professionals Mike Milanovich and Randy Infield, along with the engineers at XL Specialized.

The trailer, designed for heavy haulers in the

Northeast and Mid-Atlantic areas that are deck height conscious, is a 60 ton Lowboy in 10' centers and features an 18" deck height. The modular double detachable can be configured for 9 or 11 axles. It is a one-of-a-kind trailer, that no one else in country has. The Lowboy's unique design allows for lots of hauling versatility.

The trailer was on display with 3 other unique custom trailers at XL Specialized's booth at the Con Expo, which was held March 10-13 in Las Vegas, Nevada. It is now in stock at Tri-State's Pittsburgh branch. To learn more, call Mike or Randy at Tri-State Trailer Sales, Inc. at 412-747-7777.

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Off The Beaten Path

by Pam Pollock



All By Myself...

My intentions were to write a full blown rant this month about the COVID-19 Pandemic and the rules, the many, many rules of Quarantine and an economy that is resting in the bowels of despair. I remark to my spouse several times a day, "I don't like being told what to do!" His sarcastic reply is always, "What? I am shocked, Pam! None of us have ever realized that about you!"

So, I've switched gears and have decided to focus on the lighter side of the past nine (is it nine or is it ten? I've lost track of time!) weeks.

I have always thought of myself as being somewhat anti-social - turns out that was a big old lie. I miss my interactions talking to random people on the street, and in check-out lines, with this 6 foot distance rule, everyone flees in a panic when they see another human being. I found myself wandering through the grocery store last week, going the wrong way down the aisles, yelling, "I want to be where the people are!" A sullen lady who was in the midst of tossing 18 jars of spaghetti sauce in her cart snarled at me, "You're going the wrong way!" I could swear that she also muttered under her breath, "And you ain't no Ariel, either!"

We've celebrated 3 family birthdays in Quarantine as well as Mother's Day. We discovered the Joe Exotic/Tiger King documentary on Netflix and was immediately drawn to it like a moth to an open flame. When it was time for my son's birthday in late April, I knew that it would just be the 3 of us celebrating, but that didn't stop me from coming up with an Joe Exotic theme for our little soiree. My cousin Erin made an awesome Tiger cake, my wonderful neighbor Jodi dressed up like Carole Baskin and had her 2 kids attired as tiger cubs and she performed a hilarious bicycle ride by while calling out, "Hey all you Cool Cats and Kittens!" My son thought I had officially gone off the deep end, but I assured him that I was still treading water and hadn't gone completely under --- yet...

My husband's birthday was in early May, ten days after my son's. In less than a week, I organized an Isolation/Quarantine Birthday Party for, complete with friends and family giving him a Birthday Parade with cars bedecked in signs and balloons. They stopped long enough for a gift bag, filled with delicious homemade cupcakes baked by my daughter, bottles of Corona beer, toilet paper, hand sanitizer and Kleenex, to be thrust into their vehicles.

This was a complete surprise to Steve, and he had a little trouble with the concept that people were driving by our house and honking their horns and not stopping. It's QUARANTINE, dude!

Our state has mandated the use of face masks for over a month now. I will confess to having trouble adapting to wearing one. I am claustrophobic and do not like having my nose or mouth closed. I also wear glasses, which immediately fog up whenever I mask up. I keep buying different kinds of masks: 3 layer, filter pocket, bandanna, gaiter, cute little animal prints. I line my collection up and hum, "Look at this stuff- Isn't it neat? I do believe my collection is almost complete!" But it's not, I still freak out as soon as I strap a mask on my face. When I exit a building, I immediately rip the mask off and yell, "Hallelujah!", much like I do when I take my bra off after a day of work.

Speaking of grocery shopping, it's like a day at Disney when I score some treasures. "Chicken! They have chicken!" "What?! Is that a Chef Boyardee pizza mix hidden down on the bottom shelf?" "Oh - M - GEE! There are 2 cans of soup in the dispenser thing that usually holds HUNDREDS of cans! It's corn chowder! I don't like corn chowder - but it's SOUP! And there's TWO cans! Should I grab them before someone else?!" Spoiler alert, common sense stopped my from buying them.

I bought my 7 year old granddaughter one of those Vtech KidiBuzz smart devices. I downloaded an app on my iPhone and now we can send images, texts, and voice mes-



Don't stand so close to me! Birthday party -- for One!

sages to each other. Nothing makes my heart happier than getting a voice mail from her at 8 pm at night, telling me, "Gaga Pam, I love you! Good night!" We text each other jokes and riddles. She even sent me a photo when she lost her front tooth!

In desperation, I have started to message my friends at 9:13 pm, asking them, "Pssttt... wanna break Quarantine and indulge in some illegal activities?"

"YES!" is always their reply, "What do you have in mind?"

Me:

Me: "Ummm... well, I have no clue. All of the stores have been closed since 7 pm. Nothing is open - can't go to the zoo

- we can't go anywhere. I guess we can just sit, braless on our couches and send each other some silly memes on Facebook Messenger.... And hey, did you watch Joe Exotic/Tiger King? Do you think that Carole Baskin killed her husband and fed him to the tigers?!"

I shut down my laptop, glance at the clock. It's 9:44 pm. I sigh and mumble that I have nothing else to do, might as well mosey off to bed. I start down the hallway and sadly lament, "I want to be where the people are. I want to walk, and dance and run with them. I want to hug them and stand beside them. I want to be free. When, oh when can this old world do all of that again?"

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U.S. Department of Transportation Modernizes Hours of Service Rules to Improve Safety and Increase Flexibility for America's Truckers

WASHINGTON... The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has published a final rule updating hours of service (HOS) rules to increase safety on America's roadways by updating existing regulations for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers.

"America's truckers are doing a heroic job keeping our supply chains open during this unprecedented time and these rules will provide them greater flexibility to keep America moving," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

"The Department of Transportation and the Trump Administration listened directly to the concerns of truckers seeking rules that are safer and have more flexibility—and we have acted.

These updated hours of service rules are based on the thousands of comments we received from the American people. These reforms will improve safety on America's roadways and strengthen the nation's motor carrier industry," said FMCSA Acting Administrator Jim Mullen.

First adopted in 1937, FMCSA's hours of service rules specify the permitted operating hours of commercial drivers. In 2018, FMCSA authored an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) to receive public comment on portions of the HOS rules to alleviate unnecessary bur-

dens placed on drivers while maintaining safety on our nation's highways and roads. Subsequently, in August 2019, the Agency published a detailed proposed rule which received an additional 2,800 public comments.

Based on the detailed public comments and input from the American people, FMCSA's final rule on hours of service offers four key revisions to the existing HOS rules:

* The Agency will increase safety and flexibility for the 30-minute break rule by requiring a break after 8 hours of consecutive driving and allowing the break to be satisfied by a driver using on-duty, not driving status, rather than off-duty status.

* The Agency will modify the sleeper-berth exception to allow drivers to split their required 10 hours off duty into two periods: an 8/2 split, or a 7/3 split—with neither period counting against the driver's 14-hour driving window.

* The Agency will modify the adverse driving conditions exception by extending by two hours the maximum window during which driving is permitted.

* The Agency will change the short-haul exception available to certain commercial drivers by lengthening the drivers' maximum on-duty period from 12 to 14 hours and extending the distance limit within which the driver may operate from 100 air miles to 150 air miles.

FMCSA's final rule is craft-

ed to improve safety on the nation's roadways. The rule changes do not increase driving time and will continue to prevent CMV operators from driving for more than eight consecutive hours without at least a 30-minute break.

In addition, FMCSA's rule modernizing hours of service regulations is estimated to provide nearly \$274 million in annualized cost savings for the U.S. economy and American consumers. The trucking industry is a key component of the national economy, employing more than seven million people and moving 70 percent of the nation's domestic freight.

The new hours of service rule will have an implementation date of 120 days after publication in the Federal Register.

The complete final rule is available here: <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/regulations/hours-service/hours-service-drivers-final-rule>

Truckers have played a key role in getting America through the COVID-19 public health emergency. FMCSA has provided regulatory relief to critically important medical supplies, food, and household goods to Americans in need. The nation's truck drivers have been on the front lines of this effort and are vital to America's supply chain. The latest information, declarations, and resources on FMCSA's response to the COVID-19 are available at <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/COVID-19>



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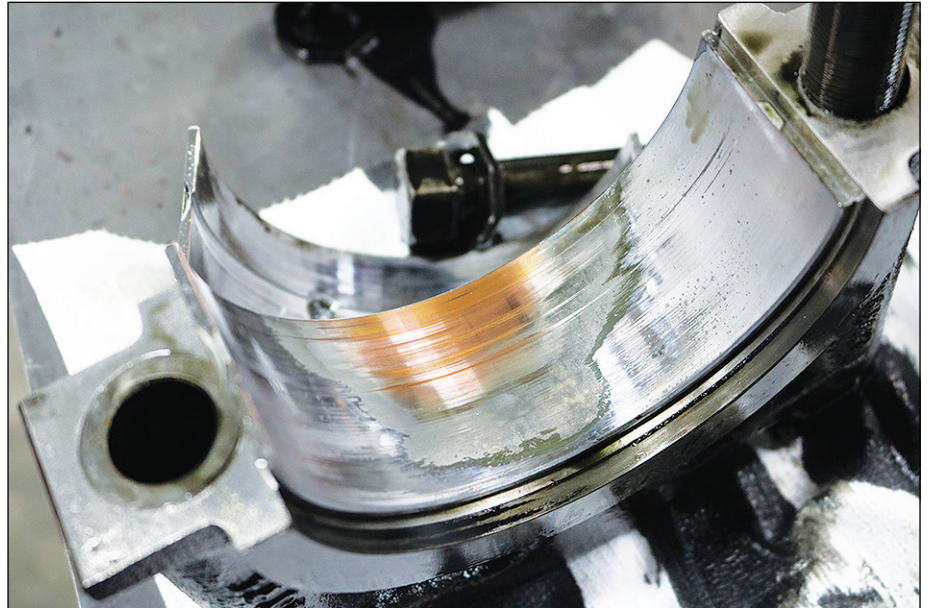
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High Performance Diesels with Bruce Mallinson

Several years ago, Kevin Rutherford and I were talking about setting money aside for a maintenance account and the amount per mile was 10 cents for pre-emissions trucks. Then when EGR, DPF, and DEF appeared on the trucks in 2011 and 2012 the amount went to 15 cents per mile. Last week our friend Jane Gates, the PhD chemist who developed the Max Mileage fuel borne catalyst, told us about the American Transportation Research Institute

(ATRI). They say the figure to operate a late model truck with OEM engines for years 2012 to 2020 is 17 cents per mile and this does not include tires. So, let's figure that for a truck running 10,000 miles per month, the maintenance costs per year is \$20,400 before including tire expense. A big part of the increase from 10 cents to 17 cents per mile is because of the emissions equipment failures. Now let's think about this, all

new engines are good. In fact, most of the truck is good and if there were no emissions problems the maintenance cost per mile could drop to as low as 8 cents per mile. The good news is we know how to solve this emissions equipment problem and keep the truck legal; the answer is to use the Max Mileage Fuel Borne Catalyst (FBC). It costs only 1 cent per mile and the savings could be as high as 9 cents per mile. Trucks using the



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catalyst as an example. I like the figure of 15 cents per mile for an emission equipped engine and 10 cents per mile for 2002 (pre-EGR) and older engines, so a savings of 5 cents per mile is more realistic to me. Keep in mind I am conservative, so at a nickel per mile and 10,000 miles per month, the yearly savings would be \$6,000.00 I feel that is a great return on an investment, 1 cent per mile to save 5 or more cents per mile. Ask your stockbroker or investment banker to give you

a 500% return on your money each year and listen to what he tells you.

Now, let me tell you about an N-14 engine resistance problem and fuel in the oil. Not all engine rebuilds are created equal. We have a beautiful black and orange Pete 389 "glider" in the shop with the complaint of low fuel mileage and fuel in the oil. First diagnostics revealed that the number 1 and 2 exhaust ports were wet with fuel. We then removed the valve cover

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and Jake brake to check the valve and injector settings. With use of a 1/2 inch breaker bar and a 1 & 5/16 socket on the accessory drive we could not turn the engine over. So, the mechanic got out the 3/4 inch breaker bar that is 4 feet long, and still could not turn the engine over. The engine would start with the starter. However, it had a Caterpillar sound vs an N-14 sound. Next, we removed the fuel pump, air compressor and accessory drive only to find they were free spinning. So next we removed the oil pan to reveal no spun bearings, cam, and crankshaft, and could still not turn the engine over with a pry bar on the flywheel. The next step was to remove #7 main bearing cap to see if the engine builder installed .010 thrust washers instead of standard. There were standard thrust washers. However, there was no end play in the crank even with the thrust washers out of the engine. The next step was to remove several of the main bearing caps upon which we could finally see the problem. The line bore of the crankshaft bore was out so far that the crank was being held in a bent or curved position. Now we know why the fuel mileage was getting only 4 MPG. Whenever the driver removed his foot from the throttle the truck would drastically slow down, there was no coasting for this truck. Here is the lesson, when rebuilding an engine, you must inspect the wear of the main bearings and check if the wear is on one side and not the other. As you can see in the pictures of this N14, the line bore is out, and the engine must be removed from the chassis to have the block and crankshaft taken to a machine shop. After the line bore is re-machined, the crankshaft must be hot tanked, magnafluxed, straightened and polished. This was a critical error for the person who rebuilt the engine for this Pete glider kit.

Long Haul Custom Detailing Inc, across the street from us just finished polishing a rather large tanker. This tanker has 6 axles under it, hauls 13,500 gallons and at 7.2 lbs. per gallon of diesel fuel that comes out to a payload of 97,200 pounds. This tanker was built by Mac Liquid Tanker in Kent, Ohio and is destined for Michigan. There is a lot of beautiful detailing

coming out of their shop. By the way, if you are coming to our shop and our lot is full, there are 4.5 acres at Long Haul Custom Detailing and you are welcome to drop your trailer in their lot. You are also welcome to visit their facility and see the beautiful detailing they do. Also, they are starting a chrome stop and will be having a truck show this fall. We will be part of their show and will be doing dyno testing on-demand. Please stay tuned for details.

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In Memory of Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association (PMTA) President and CEO Kevin Stewart

It is with a heavy heart we share the news that PMTA President and CEO Kevin Stewart passed away the morning of Tuesday April 28, 2020. Kevin was a tremendous steward of the association for seven years, serving as the Safety Director for three years before taking over as President and CEO.

Kevin came to PMTA after a successful career with the Pennsylvania State Police and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Kevin's knowledge and expertise have been invaluable to the association and those attributes will be nearly impossible to replace. Kevin worked tirelessly to ensure that the needs of the membership were met and stood up for the industry with both our State and Federal Governments. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this difficult time.

The 2020 Walcott Truckers Jamboree Goes Virtual

WALCOTT, IA... The 2020 Walcott Truckers Jamboree is going virtual this year with an online Antique Truck Show; Super Truck Beauty Contest; Trucker's Best Friend Pet Contest and free meals for drivers from July 9-11, 2020.

"It was made clear yesterday by Governor Reynolds' order that we will not be allowed to hold our massive, in-person event this year. The good news is we will most definitely continue with our long-standing tradition of Celebrating America's Truckers," says Heather DeBaillie, Vice President of Marketing. "While we can't host 45,000 people at Iowa 80 to celebrate, we will take the Jamboree virtual and still celebrate the important job of the professional driver!"

The Antique Truck Display will move online for this year with a slideshow of all who want to provide photos and information about their antique trucks. Likewise, this year's Super Truck Beauty Contest will also be a virtual event. Drivers will have the opportunity to enter online, choose competitive categories, submit photos and the public will vote on their favorites. Winners will be announced on July 11th and they'll receive their trophies.

Same goes for the Trucker's Best Friend Pet Contest. Drivers are encouraged to register their pet and submit the requested photos or video to compete. Entries will be voted on and prizes will be awarded for Best Dressed, Owner Look-alike and Best Trick.

Registration for all competitions will open no later than June 1, 2020 with an entry deadline of June 30, 2020.

The Iowa 80 Trucking Museum will also celebrate the 100th Birthday of its 1920 GMC with a video event to

be posted on the museum's Facebook page on Friday, July 10th. The truck will still be featured in the lobby of the museum for visitors who would like to see it in person.

All CDL professional driver customers visiting Iowa 80 on July 9-11 can receive a free meal in the Iowa 80 Kitchen restaurant. Meal certificates will be available during those three days at the Fuel Center, Service Center, Truckomat Truck

Wash and Super Truck Showroom.

"We want drivers to know how much we appreciate the hard work they do. This certainly isn't the way we thought our 41st Jamboree would play out, but we care about drivers and their families and we still want to celebrate them," says Delia Moon Meier, Senior Vice President. "We truly hope everyone understands and we hope that you will join us

in spirit and online July 9-11 in celebration of trucking.

We look forward to seeing everyone in person in 2021."

The Jamboree Program will be printed and available at Iowa 80 Group locations starting late June. All concerts are being rescheduled for 2021. More details and a schedule of online events can be found at truckers-jamboree.com.

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Operation Safe Driver Week is July 12-18 With a Focus on Speeding

Greenbelt, MD... The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA) 2020 Operation Safe Driver Week will go on as scheduled, July 12-18. During this week-long traffic enforcement safety initiative, law enforcement personnel throughout North America will be looking for drivers who are engaging in unsafe driving behaviors on our roadways. Identified drivers will be pulled over by law enforcement and may be issued a warning or citation.

According to the Governors Highway Safety Association, less traffic may be encouraging some drivers to ignore traffic safety laws, including speed limits. Despite there being far fewer vehicles on the road due to COVID-19 stay-at-home orders, many jurisdictions are seeing a severe spike in speeding.

As the number of vehicles on roadways decreased in March and April, average speeds measured during the first week of April increased significantly in the five largest U.S. metropolitan areas. According to recent data, the average speed on interstate highways, state highways and expressways in those areas increased by as much as 75% compared to January and February.

* In New York City, transportation officials reported an increase of more than 60% in the number of speed camera tickets issued in March compared to a year ago. At the same time, traffic was down more than 90% compared to January.

* In Washington, D.C., traffic decreased 80% in March compared to January, while officials recorded a 20% increase in March speeding tickets. Of those tickets, violations for driving 21-25 mph over the speed limit rose by nearly 40%.

* Over just one weekend, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, police charged 18 drivers with stunt driving, with speeds of 80-106 mph on the Don Valley Parkway, a major freeway that's limited to 55 mph.

* California reported an increase in speeding violations and although the California Highway Patrol's call volume has decreased, the crashes they have recently responded to have been worse.

* Tucson Police reported a 40% increase in one-vehicle wrecks, which usually happens when a driver's going so fast they lose control.

* In Minnesota, motor vehicle crashes and fatalities more than doubled compared to the same time period in previous years. Half those deaths were related to speeding or careless or negligent driving.

* In Colorado, Indiana, Nebraska and Utah, police have clocked highway speeds of more than 100 mph.

* Chicago and Los Angeles went from travel speed increases of 35-38% above average to 74-75% above average in just one week.

To address this alarming trend of increased speeding on our roadways during the pandemic, CVSA selected speeding as the focus area for this year's Operation Safe Driver Week.

Historically, drivers' actions have contributed to 94% of all traffic crashes, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA)

Traffic Safety Facts report. And although NHTSA's 2018 highway crash fatality data showed a 2.4% decline in overall fatalities, the number of fatal crashes involving large trucks increased by 0.9%.

Data shows that traffic enforcement interactions between drivers and law enforcement reduces targeted problematic behaviors. CVSA's Operation Safe Driver Week aims to reduce high-risk driving behaviors through traffic enforcement strategies.

In addition to a focus on speeding, examples of other dangerous driver behaviors that law enforcement will track during Operation Safe Driver Week include distracted driving, failure to use a seatbelt, following too closely, improper lane change, reckless or aggressive driving, failure to obey traffic control devices, evidence of drunk or drugged driving, etc.

To find out about Operation Safe Driver Week enforcement events going on in your area, contact the agency or department responsible for overseeing commercial motor vehicle safety within your jurisdiction.

ATA Truck Tonnage Index Rose 1.2% in March - Index 4.3% Higher than March 2019

Arlington, VA... American Trucking Associations' advanced seasonally adjusted (SA) For-Hire Truck Tonnage Index rose 1.2% in March after increasing 1.8% in February. In March, the index equaled 120.4 (2015=100) compared with 119 in February.

"March was the storm before the calm, especially for carriers hauling consumer staples, which experienced strong freight levels," said ATA Chief Economist Bob Costello. "But there was a huge divergence among freight types. While freight to grocery stores and big box retailers was strong in March, especially late March, due to surge buying by households, freight was anemic in other supply chains, like that for gasoline, restaurants, and auto factories."

"Because of this, and the continued shuttering of many parts of the economy, I would expect April tonnage to be very soft," he said.

Compared with March 2019, the SA index increased 4.3%, which was preceded by a 2.6% year-over-year gain in February. During the first quarter, the index rose 1.5% compared with

the fourth quarter of last year and 2.4% from a year earlier.

The not seasonally adjusted index, which represents the change in tonnage actually hauled by the fleets before any seasonal adjustment, equaled 120.9 in March, 11.8% above the February level (108.2). In calculating the index, 100 represents 2015.

Trucking serves as a barometer of the U.S. economy, representing 71.4% of tonnage carried by all modes of domestic freight transportation, including manufactured and retail goods. Trucks hauled 11.49 billion tons of freight in 2018. Motor carriers collected \$796.7 billion, or 80.3% of total revenue earned by all transport modes.

ATA calculates the tonnage index based on surveys from its membership and has been doing so since the 1970s. This is a preliminary figure and subject to change in the final report issued around the 5th day of each month. The report includes month-to-month and year-over-year results, relevant economic comparisons, and key financial indicators.

PennDOT Reopens Additional Roadside Rest Areas

Harrisburg, PA... The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is reopening indoor facilities at three additional rest areas statewide.

PennDOT's rest areas were temporarily closed statewide on March 17 in response to Governor Tom Wolf's mitigation guidance regarding COVID-19 to ensure that proper safety and sanitation protocols were in place. Many rest areas across Pennsylvania have since reopened. Additional cleaning and maintenance will be performed at all reopened locations. Tourism services are not available at this time.

The below locations have reopened:

- Interstate 70 westbound in Fulton County, 1 mile west of the Maryland state line;
 - Interstate 80 eastbound in Columbia County, 3.5 miles east of Exit 242; and
 - Interstate 80 westbound in Columbia County, 10 miles west of Exit 256.
- The below locations were previously reopened:
- Interstate 79 northbound in Allegheny County, 8 miles north of Exit 45;
 - Interstate 79 northbound in Crawford County, 8 miles north of Exit 154;

- Interstate 79 southbound in Crawford County, 3 miles south of Exit 166;
- Interstate 79 northbound in Greene County, 5 miles north of Exit 1;
- Interstate 79 northbound in Lawrence County, 3.5 miles north of Exit 105;
- Interstate 79 southbound in Lawrence County, 3.5 miles south of Exit 113;
- Interstate 79 northbound in Mercer County, 5 miles south of Exit 141;
- Interstate 79 southbound in Mercer County, 6 miles north of Exit 130;
- Interstate 80 eastbound in Centre County, 13 miles east of Exit 133;
- Interstate 80 westbound in Centre County, .5 miles west of Exit 147;
- Interstate 80 eastbound in Jefferson County, 1 mile east of Exit 86;
- Interstate 80 westbound in Jefferson County, 10 miles west of Exit 97;
- Interstate 80 eastbound in Luzerne County, 8.5 miles east of Exit 262;
- Interstate 80 eastbound in Monroe County, 1 mile east of I-80/I-380;
- Interstate 80 eastbound in Montour County, 4.5 miles east of Exit 215;
- Interstate 80 westbound in Montour County, 4.5 miles west of Exit 224;
- Interstate 80 eastbound in Venango County, .5 miles east of Exit 29;
- Interstate 80 westbound in Venango County, 4 miles west of Exit 35;
- Interstate 81 northbound in Cumberland County, .5 miles north of Exit 37;
- Interstate 81 southbound in Cumberland County, 5.5 miles south of Exit 44;
- Interstate 81 northbound in Lackawanna County, .5 miles north of Exit 202;
- Interstate 81 northbound in Luzerne County, 1.5 miles north of Exit 155;
- Interstate 81 southbound in Luzerne County, 1.5 miles south of Exit 159;
- Interstate 81 southbound in Susquehanna County, 4 miles south of Exit 211;
- Interstate 83 northbound in York County, 2.5 miles north of the Maryland state line;
- Interstate 84 eastbound in Pike County, 6 miles east of Exit 20;
- Interstate 84 westbound in Pike County, 1 mile west of Exit 26;
- Interstate 90 eastbound in Erie County, 3 miles east of the Ohio state line;
- Interstate 70 eastbound in Washington County, 3.5 miles east of Exit 1;
- Interstate 81 northbound in Franklin County, 1 mile north of the Maryland state line;
- Interstate 81 southbound in Susquehanna County, .5 miles south of the New York state line;
- Interstate 90 westbound in Erie County, .5 miles west of the New York state line; and
- U.S. 15 southbound in Tioga County, 7 miles south of the New York state line.

The department will continue to evaluate and will determine whether additional locations can be reopened.

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Carlisle Events Announces Special Offers for Customers in 2020 and Beyond

Carlisle, PA... To date in 2020, Carlisle Events has produced two events, while Carlisle Auctions has hosted one auction. Those events happened in January and February, respectively. Since then, the world has changed quite a bit due to COVID-19 and as such, for the first time in Carlisle Events history, car shows have been rescheduled with one (Summer Sale Auction) being canceled.

As the economy, businesses and more specifically car shows look to re-open, Carlisle Events has implemented social distancing measures and recommendations for its guests for at least the 2020 season, while also crafting special offers for customers that are valid for 2020 and carry over to 2021.

Planned special offers are effective NOW through the MONDAY of each event and include the following:

- By phone or online and in ADVANCE ONLY, customers who purchase single day or weekend spectator tickets or the ticket and parking package will be eligible for added DISCOUNT savings. This covers any Carlisle based show for 2020. Those looking to attend can do so as a non-car showing spectator at 25% off listed online ticket pricing. Again, discounts are available in advance by phone or online at CarlisleTickets.com only. A nominal \$1 processing fee applies for online orders, but this isn't just 25% off what a guest would pay for a ticket at the gate, it's 25% off an already

discounted online price point. Full price for all in advance discounts will apply in person and standard online discounts return the Monday of a show week for that particular show.

- The season pass, which is valid for all Carlisle promoted events (including those in Florida) will revert to its Holiday Sale price of \$71.99 (\$69.99 for AACA members) now through the end of the season. In addition, it will include access to events in 2021 spanning January through May. This covers Auto Mania in Allentown, Pennsylvania, Winter AutoFest in Lakeland, Florida, Spring Carlisle, the Spring Carlisle Auction and the Carlisle Import & Performance Nationals. Season passes can be purchased by calling the Carlisle Events offices or online at Store.CarlisleEvents.com.

- The aforementioned forms of access will also have a stand-alone no touch point of entry. That means for anyone who has purchased a spectator ticket in advance or comes with a season pass in hand, they'll be able to park and head on grounds in a convenient and streamlined manner.

- A NEW Gate-N-Go discount will be implemented for 2020. This discount historically is offered at 20% during the Holiday Sale and 10% through one month prior to the event. The one-month prior deadline remains, but between now and the deadline, Showfield/Fun Field Flash Sales will pop up online and on social media, giving guests a chance to register

for 20% off the standard rate.

- Vendors, many of whom attend multiple shows at Carlisle and beyond, will be offered an incentive too. This updated vendor space renewal discount will be available to all vendors renewing during the event. Call 717-243-7855 to learn more.

In addition, for all events on the schedule (including auctions), Carlisle Events/Carlisle Auctions will be proactive from a health, sanitation and social distancing standpoint within the Carlisle PA Fairgrounds and Carlisle Expo Center. Measures are currently being finalized and when complete, will be outlined on CarlisleEvents.com and CarlisleAuctions.com. In the meanwhile, for the latest CDC guidelines, visit CDC.gov.

Visit Carlisle Events online today or call 717-243-7855 for details on the upcoming season, links to register, purchase tickets and more.

Carlisle Events is a partner or producer of over a dozen annual collector car/truck events. Events are held at the Carlisle PA Fairgrounds (Carlisle, PA), Allentown Fairgrounds (Allentown, PA), the Sunset Auction Facility (Sarasota, FL) and the SUN 'n FUN Expo Campus (Lakeland, FL). The season schedule includes four automotive flea markets of varying size, five auctions, as well as individual specialty shows featuring Corvettes, Fords, GMs, Chryslers, trucks, imports, tuners and performance sport compacts. More information is available via CarlisleEvents.com.

Volvo Trucks Continues to Offer Industry-Leading Uptime Support During COVID-19

Volvo Trucks North America continues to provide customers with exceptional uptime support amidst the current COVID-19 situation. As always, [Volvo Action Service](http://VolvoActionService.com) (VAS) is enabling customers to connect with highly trained uptime experts for 24/7 assistance to quickly manage service, connectivity solutions, schedule repairs and tackle any other issues they experience amid the pandemic to ensure maximized uptime.

VAS employees at Volvo Trucks' Uptime Center in Greensboro, NC actively prepared for possible work-from-home scenarios well in advance of the COVID-19 crisis, enabling an extremely smooth

and fast transition of its skilled employees working remotely without any disruptions to customers and dealers. And since the transition happened so seamlessly, the teams were able to adjust to the new working scenario quickly, keeping the implementation of continuous improvement projects and initiatives going, even under these rapidly evolving circumstances.

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2019 NO COAST Largecars Show

By Matt Conrad

Hancock County Fairgrounds in Britt IA was the location for the 2019 NOCOAST Largecars show. The show took place August 31st and September 1st, 2019.

This event was hosted by Lifetime Lug nut Covers is a very family friendly event for all to attend. The show filled the capacity of the fairgrounds with over 100 trucks. There was a huge light show and live music on Saturday night. While judges took a look at all of the trucks, there were trucks, beer garden, food vendors, and trucking industry vendors for the spectators to see. JR Schlegel from Lifetime Lug Nut covers made incredible American Flag trophies to award drivers. IMT transport also gave out a \$500 best of show combo and bobtail award.

Make plans early to attend this year's show on September 5-6th. This is a show filled with trucking fun that you won't want to miss. Keep updated on the show by getting in contact with Nicky. You can reach her at 641-512-4505.



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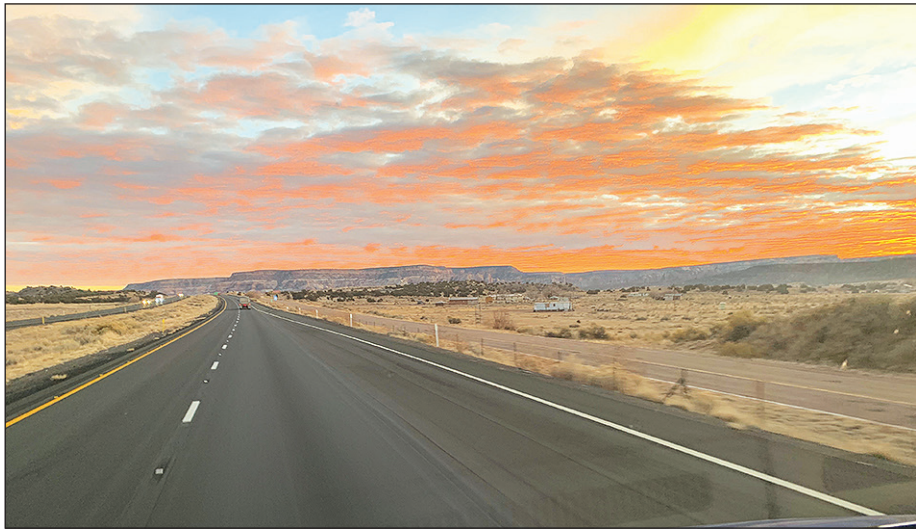
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View From The Windshield Lincoln's Return Visit



By Linda Caffee

While at home, we watched the first wave of people buying crazy amounts of toilet paper and paper towels. Luckily, we did not need either of these products for our house or the truck. My typical plan of action while at home is to cook meals that are a little too difficult to cook in the truck and freeze the leftovers. With the worry of leaving home and not being able to find groceries, I stocked up. At this time, there were not too many worries as the restaurants were all still open and no stay at home orders. We had plenty of hand sanitizer in the truck as well. We were set to hit the road once again.

On our first load out, we picked up computers and monitors to take to a building that had a person get sick. We figured we would see people very concerned and frightened and just the opposite, one car at a time all day long as volunteers handed out computers and monitors. Our job was to keep them stocked with pallets until we finally ran out of the product.

We started hearing the doom and gloom of customers shutting down and not accepting freight. Possibly getting to an area and not being able to leave. Next, we start hearing about the need to wear masks and gloves. Then, even more talk about wiping everything down with Clorox wipes and disinfecting anything that anyone might have touched. Next, I see cartoons of a mother possum telling her child to stay away from humans that carry diseases. And then we hear we are on the verge of a freight cliff, and the rates are all tanking.

Now almost a month after that first load back, we are still running freight, still making money, and still healthy. So far, we have not had to wear a mask in public, and the only time Bob wears gloves is when he did not punch in our numbers to get fuel. The little news I see on my computer has shown empty shelves at the grocery stores, lines to get into the stores, and certain times we can shop.

We have been to the grocery store twice and had no problems. The first grocery store was in Pennsylvania, and I believe run by Mennonites. The store was a little different, but the shelves were fully stocked, even with toilet paper and paper towels. We were able to get everything on our list, including eggs and cheese. Our next store was this week, and we stopped at a Walmart next to the interstate in Ohio. No lines, and once again, the shelves were full except for

a few items. I was dreading going inside as I expected to find empty shelves and slim pickings. Hopefully, it will be another few weeks before we go back inside a grocery store.

We have four masks in the truck that have not been used, but we have them if we are required to use them to pick up freight. At one facility, before we could load, we had to take our temperature. This was a first for us, and we both failed the procedure spectacularly. The thermometer was odd as it was a gadget we had to turn to on and then hold up to our forehead and hold a button down for one second. Not sure how Bob messed it up as only

one person could be in the room at a time. My problem came with putting the gadget to my forehead and holding the button for 1 second. I struggled with getting my bangs out of the way, touching the thermometer to my forehead, and holding the button for 1 second. One second is pretty short, right? Well, my one second and her one second were not the same, and on the third time, I held the darn thing to my forehead for what seemed at least ten seconds... Wrong again as now it had a capital "L" in the display. I assumed that "L" was for "loser", as in who cannot use this darn little thing? She had me try several things to clear

the "L" and finally took it away from me and reset it. The tenth time was a charm as I found out I was "normal." Maybe next time it will go smoother.

We have had no problems delivering freight and no worries about being stuck anywhere. Our fuel card has reserve cash on it in case we need to go home empty. We plan to keep working until we find the freight cliff, or we are out a couple of months, and we need a break.

We both feel good, business is good, traffic is light, and this is an excellent time to be a truck driver. Never in my life would I have thought I would see signs from the public stating "Thank You, Truck Drivers." We know that we are not through with the changes happening to our world, but we will continue to make the best of it.

Bob and Linda Caffee started their driver careers after their children left home for college in 2000. Bob started as a driver for a large motor carrier with Linda as a rider. They decided to enter the Expedite industry as team drivers in 2005 and purchased their first Freightliner. Both, Bob and Linda have had their Class A licenses since the early 80's starting out driving in the oil field and hauling grain as fill in drivers where Bob worked as a diesel mechanic. Linda worked at the local country courthouse in data processing.



The sculpture was commissioned by the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania and was placed in 1991. In 2019, a much larger version of Return Visit was placed and dedicated at the Lincoln Library and Museum in Springfield, Illinois.

By Dr. Michael McGough

Standing just outside of the David Wills House on the square of Gettysburg, is a sculpture titled Return Visit. In this life-sized work of art, sculptor J. Seward Johnson, Jr. features Abraham Lincoln and a contemporary visitor to Gettysburg. Lincoln gestures toward

the Wills House, where he stayed the night before delivering the Gettysburg Address, on November 19, 1863. The man standing with Lincoln holds a copy of Lincoln's address, which clearly illustrates the contemporary relevance of Lincoln's remarks. In the spirit of public awareness and prudent actions in the nation's present emergency, both Lincoln and the man standing with him are currently wearing masks.

On his 1863 visit to Gettysburg, Lincoln focused on those brave individuals who had engaged in the Battle of Gettysburg. By most accounts his words that day, approximately 270 in all, stand out as one of the most memorable addresses ever delivered. Its wisdom, its humanity, and its prudent counsel have long rendered it virtually timeless. If Lincoln were to make a return visit to recognize those fighting on the front lines of the battles against the corona virus, undoubtedly, he would recognize the sacrifices made by those lost in this war.

Given such an opportunity Lincoln could well use the following passage from his Gettysburg Address. The following passage would be as poignant, timely, and relevant as it was in 1863. He would once again demonstrate his humility, he would recognize those who gave the last full measure of devotion, and he would passionately call on the nation to come together to continue the work they have begun.

The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us -- that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion -- that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain -- that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.



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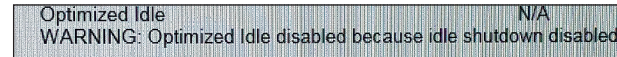
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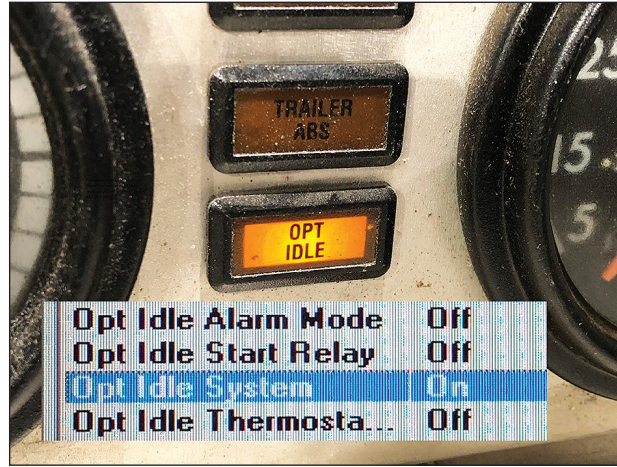


There was a time when "Please remove Optimized idle!" was written on almost every work order that came across my desk. Once I learned how to disable the optimized idle feature in a DDEC that was all I did with it. I'd listen to stories from frustrated techs, service managers, and owner operators who tried to keep optimized idle systems working but always seemed to end up staring at a check engine light that wouldn't turn off and can't be cleared. By the time they got to me they didn't want to fix it, they just wanted it gone. An optimized idle system on a 20 year old truck is finicky at best. Optimized idle monitors all the inputs that cruise control does plus it initiates self-checks on its outputs making it the DDEC III/IV function with the greatest number of activation requirements.

I didn't fully appreciate optimized idle until recently. An owner operator send me in a DDEC IV powering an MK60 that needed set up for a 2001 International. He also wanted some custom programming work done to the optimized idle system. I told him his request was a little unusual but as I



Optimized idle will not activate unless the idle shutdown timer shuts down the engine first,



Optimized idle is ready to start.

would soon find out, there are some owner operators who love optimized idle. He ended up making a compelling argument so I upgraded my test bench to support the most common optimized idle outputs then I got to tinkering with it. A few weeks later I convinced the optimized idle function in one of my DDECs to attempt an automated startup. First by sounding the startup alarm followed by two cranking attempts. If after two attempts the crank doesn't stay spinning then the optimized idle system shuts off.

Anyways my MK60 guy wanted to cut back on how

frequently his optimized idle system was starting the MK60. The optimized idle system will restart the engine when the engine oil temperature drops below 60 degrees Fahrenheit. He wanted it to automatically restart at 32 degrees F. Here's the thing...nearly all DDEC factory programs raise minimum idle speed when oil temperature is low. When oil temp is down to 32 degrees F minimum idle speed is almost 900 rpm. So a 32 degree restart will go up to almost 900 rpm. Some engine guys like this and some don't. This can be programmed out so minimum rpm is 600 regardless of oil temperature but unless

it's my truck I prefer to stand on the sidelines and let the techs hash these things out.

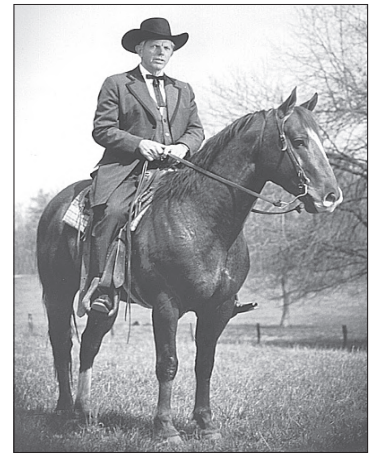
The most common programming mistake I see that cripples optimized idle is when someone disables the idle shutdown timer. Like it or not the idle shutdown timer must be enabled in order for optimized idle to work. Optimized idle won't activate unless the idle shutdown timer shuts down the engine. If you touch the key everything resets. The DDEC can be programmed to ignore the idle shutdown timer and run continuously if the oil temperature or battery voltage is low, if the idle has been bumped up or if the thermostat in the optimized idle module in the bunk is reading a temperature that is out of the desired range.

You don't need me to tell you idling is hard on these engines. If a truck doesn't have an APU, Optimized idle could be the next best thing to maintain the truck's batteries, put some heat in the oil, save fuel, and improve engine life.

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Before...

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By Steve Pollock
FENELTON, PA.... Clearfield Customs, located just off Route 422, a few miles East of Butler, Pennsylvania in the town of Fenelton, was founded in February 2019. Jim Stickney and his son Jim Jr. decided to open Clearfield Customs after many years of working at Hunter Truck Sales. Jim Sr. performed body/

paint work at the body shop for 25 years and Jim Jr. was shop foreman and mechanic for 14 years. Even though Jim Sr. and Jim Jr. both have unique skill sets, the Stickneys share a passion for truck bodywork and painting. Their pride and skills are evident in every job they complete. Jim has always enjoyed a great reputation in the

body and paint business and most of Clearfield Customs work has come from good reviews and referrals from satisfied customers. The Stickneys do work for owner operators and fleets as well as area dealerships, including Tri-County Mack and Kenworth of Pennsylvania Clintonville. When they built their shop, the Stickneys

thought it was important to use all local contractors in an effort to support small area businesses. In return, the small business community has been very receptive and supportive of Clearfield Customs. Their building was designed with a cross draft paint booth system utilizing PPG paints that is formulated onsite. Clearfield Customs is a

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Ed Miller

Baltimore, MD... During a time where many of us are grappling with self-distancing, what better people to advise us on what it's like to practically live in isolation than those who drive the highways of America for a living. Author and 60-year veteran truck driver, Ed Miller reveals behind the highway secrets, stories and gossip from driving tractor-trailers since the age of thirteen. In his new book, *A Trucker's Tale: Wit, Wisdom, and True Stories from 60 Years on the Road* (Apollo Publishers), Miller gives an inside look at the allure of the work and the colorful characters who haul our goods on the open road. In the book, he shares what it's like to:

- Grow up in a trucking family;
- Drive trucks for 60 years under extreme circumstances;
- Work as a petty officer in Vietnam; and
- Morph from a trucker to a granddad turned school bus driver.

With personal tales and those told by one trucker to another, *A Trucker's Tale* presents a compelling portrait of a vibrant but little-known, isolated industry.

Miller delivers a behind-the-scenes view of how truckers do a damned fine job of keeping our economy and country humming. Filled with colorful stories some heartbreaking, some head-shaking, often hilarious and all true about on-the-job experiences that happened to him personally or to truckers he met on his travels.

The American Trucking Association tagline "Without trucks, America stops" isn't just hype. We depend on trucks for everything from personal package deliveries to supplies necessary to build roads, bridges, homes, hospitals and schools. But few of us think about the people that drive

characters that come with the territory.

Author Ed Miller was born into a family of truckers in North Carolina and began driving tractor-trailers at age thirteen. He has more than 40 years of management and ownership experience in many aspects of the motor carrier industry, including flatbed, van, refrigerated, specialized and transportation brokerage. From 2003 to 2010, he worked in the Office of Freight Logistics at Maryland's Department of Transportation, where he served on numerous county, state and national transportation and research advisory committees. Today he is a part-time school bus driver, working as a substitute/trip driver transporting students or taking school teams to sports events. Ed grew up in western North Carolina and attended East Carolina University before serving in the US Navy Seabees. He is a father of three and a grandfather of two and lives with his wife in Rising Sun, Maryland, near Baltimore.

trucks as highly-skilled professionals with a demanding job. In *A Trucker's Tale*, Miller opens up his world and reveals the tapestry of American culture. Over the course of his career, he became an expert on the dangers, hardships, responsibilities, absurdities and colorful

A Trucker's Tale: Wit, Wisdom, and True Stories from 60 Years on the Road

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ATA, Protective Insurance Company Distributing 550 Gallons of Hand Sanitizer to Truck Drivers - Truckers able to refill personal supplies at no cost at designated locations

HAND SANITIZER FOR TRUCK DRIVERS
ATA has partnered with Protective Insurance Company to deliver ten 55-gallon drums of hand sanitizer, produced by Hotel Tango Distillery, to locations along major freight corridors so that drivers can refill their personal supplies

Legend:
■ Hand sanitizer now available
■ Available soon

Arlington, VA... As professional truck drivers continue serving on the frontlines during the COVID-19 crisis, American Trucking Association has partnered with Protective Insurance Company to expand the availability and supply of hand sanitizer to truckers along major U.S. freight corridors. ATA and member-company ABF Freight are hauling ten 55-gallon drums of hand sanitizer, purchased by Protective Insurance, for distribution in eight states, where drivers will be able to refill their personal supplies at no cost.

Drums are now in place at locations in Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, with the

remaining load in transit for delivery this week. Announcements will be made on ATA's COVID-19 Update Hub as deliveries happen and each refill station becomes available.

Truckers will have access to refills at the following locations:

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Troy, Texas
- Texas
Flying J #726
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"Crossing the bridge from crisis to recovery hinges on the integrity of our supply chain and its ability to keep moving," said ATA President and CEO Chris Spear. "Protecting America's truck drivers, and ensuring they can stay safe and healthy while on the road, is paramount. While we continue to work with federal agencies on the strategic distribution of PPE, we're also taking our own initiative—partnering with industry allies—to build supply networks for drivers to tap into."

"As drivers remain behind the wheel, delivering the essentials of life around the country, travel centers, truckstops and distribution centers remain open to support these drivers. Helping supply sanitizer to keep everyone healthy and safe is one small way we can support the transportation industry and say thank you for everything you're doing," said Jeremy Johnson, CEO of Protective Insurance.

"We are extremely proud of all the hard work and effort our drivers have been putting in to keep America moving forward during these trying times, and it is an honor for us to partner with the ATA and Protective Insurance to keep our frontline heroes safe and deliver hand sanitizer for truck drivers across the country," said Seth Runser, vice president of linehaul operations at ABF Freight.

"Americans across the country are finding ways to give back to these unsung heroes," said Elisabeth Barna, ATA's executive vice president of industry affairs. "Our focus is on ensuring drivers have the supplies they need to stay safe and healthy on the road, and these refill stations are but a part a broader effort to increase the supply of PPE throughout the freight network."

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A Likely Story - Covid19 In My Neighborhood



By Roger Clark

Like so many others here in flyover country, we've been ordered to shelter in place while the Corona virus wings its way around Kansas. We have also been instructed to avoid gatherings, wear masks, and put gloves on. Authorities are issuing these orders from crowded press briefings, where the only PPE in sight are the colorful scarves of Dr. Deborah Birx.

Living where fashion is limited to a Walmart Super Center, we shop wearing everything from driving gloves to idiot mittens, and facemasks made

from elastics and bandanas. They may not ward off the average viral bogeyman, but it certainly increases following distance!

I had a raging cold, (or something), some weeks back, and finally went to see the family physician. He gave me a shrug and an antibiotic. Was it just a cold, or the dreaded COVID19, which has turned American mortality tables, (not to mention a trillion-dollar economy), on its head?

Did I nearly get killed by this raging pandemic phenomenon because I fit the perfect profile? Or was I spared for choosing not to buy a hundred rolls of toilet paper? I don't know, and neither do millions of others.

Before COVID19, 8,000 Americans died every day from hundreds of causes. The good news is, that death rate is down to 3,000 per week. The bad news is, it's all from the Corona Virus. The good news is, nobody is dying of anything else. The bad news is, the United States population will still be wiped out in just over

2,000 years.

I'm one of the lucky ones. I have what the government calls an essential business, and no, it's not a marijuana store. I've got rush hour to myself, a stim check in the bank, and a places to go when I want to be alone. Like, our favorite restaurant; our church on the hill; the ballpark around the bend.

My next door neighbor is 80 years old, just returned home from medical rehab, and looks better than I do. Across the street, old Jack is 90-plus, pushing a lawn mower over a half acre of grass. Next door to him is a young couple with a toddler, laid off from a teaching job—the daddy, not the toddler—and all three are industrious as the law allows them to be.

Nobody on our street is wearing a facemask. We're not wearing gloves. No one is wearing black, because nobody here has been diagnosed as inspected, infected, rejected, or dead. The only obituary in our local newspaper, in fact, is for the United States Constitution.

But like I said, I'm one of the

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June 19-20 - Antique Truck Club of America's 41st Annual National Meet - Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA. More Info: [http://antiquetruckclub.org/forms/2020 macungie.pdf](http://antiquetruckclub.org/forms/2020%20macungie.pdf)

June 27 - 7th Annual Southern Idaho Truck Show - Hazelton, Idaho. For more info phone 208-731-6459 or visit them at <https://www.facebook.com/Southern-Idaho-Truck-Show..>

June 28 - American Truck Historical Society ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Truck Show - Brooklyn Fair Grounds, Route 169, Brooklyn, CT. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. For more info call Don @ 860-274-4758.

June 27-28- Transport For Christ Truck Rally - Lebanon Valley Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Rd., Lebanon, PA. For more info phone 717-665-6347 or visit www.transportforchrist.org

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July 17-18 - Expedite Expo - Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, 4000 Parnell Ave, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46805. For more info go to www.expediteexpo.com

July 24-25 - Keystone Chapter ATCA Truck Show - East Freedom, PA. Trucks, tractors and machinery welcome. Dash Plaques while supplies last. No Judging. Friday night dinner and ice cream convoy. Food and drinks on Saturday. For more info call 814-224-2084 or visit www.keystonetruckshows.org

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August 14-15 - Waupun Truck-n-Show - Waupun Community Center & Tanner Park, 510 E. Spring St., Waupun, WI. Truck Show, Friday Night Light Parade, Saturday Day Parade, Exhibits, live Music, Food, Kids Area. For more info, phone 920-324-9985 or visit www.waupuntruck-n-show.com

August 14-16 - Big Rig Truck Show - Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, Chippewa Falls, WI. Truck Show, Night Truck Parade, Indoor and Outdoor Exhibits, Live Music, Food, Kids Zone. Drivers can register online at www.bigrigtruckshows.com

August 14-15 - Great Salt Lake Truck Show - Thanksgiving Point, Lehi, Utah (just south of Salt Lake City). For more info go to www.saltlaketruckshow.com or phone 800-877-1320.

August 14-15 - ATSC/Dynaflex Shootout - Arrowhead Stadium, Kansas City, MO. For more info visit www.atsc.world/mo or phone 333-724-1555

August 22 - The 2020 All Wheels Show - Presented by Cerni Motors & Penn-Ohio ATCA, Cerni Motors, 5751 Cerni Place, Youngstown, Ohio. 44515 - 9 am - 4 pm. Showcasing Antique and Unique Vehicles of all shapes and sizes to Benefit Local Non-Profit Organization, Project MKC. In lieu of registration or entry fees, you are asked to make a monetary donation or bring school supplies to support Project MKC. Food, Raffles, Door Prizes, Vendors, Fun! For more info contact Joelle Hallis at 330-652-9917 or email: jhallis@cerni.com

August 29 - Bedford County Convoy of Diesel Dreams - Bedford Fairgrounds, Bedford, PA. Truck Show and Convoy benefiting Make-A-Wish.

September 5-6 - No Coast Large Cars Truck Show - Hancock County Fairgrounds, Britt, IA. Phone 641-860-0837 for more info or find them online at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/164862380373955/>

September 11-12 - Big Iron Classic - Dodge County Fairgrounds, Kasson, MN. Visit www.bigironclassic.com or call Jim at 507-208-0222 for info.

September 12 - 9th Annual Eastern Shore Large Cars - Caroline County 4-H Grounds, Denton, MD For more info email: eslc@comcast.net or visit <https://www.facebook.com/ESLargeCars/>

September 12 - Cable Truck Show - 2876 Route 286, Saltsburg, PA. For more info, call 724-639-9043.

September 18-19 - Busted Knuckle Truck Show - Wilkins Oklahoma Truck Supply, Tonkawa, OK. For more info visit www.wilkinstruckchrome.com or phone 800-299-5308

September 18-20 - Richard Crane Memorial Truck Show - St. Ignace, MI. Phone 800-338-6660 or visit <https://stignace.com/event/annual-richard-crane-memorial-truck-show/>

September 19 - 7th Annual Lanita Specialized Truck Show - 7630 Lancaster Ave., Mt. Aetna, PA. For more info phone 717-933-5100

September 19 Snow Shoe Fall Festival of Trucks - Snow Shoe Park, I-8- Exit 147, turn left, Snow Show, PA. Proceeds to benefit U.S. Veterans in Snow Show, PA. Bob Tail Trucks Only, Car Show, Fall Festival, Food and Vendors. For more info call JR at 814-321-1170. Facebook: www.facebook.com/snowshoefallfestival

September 24-26 - CSM'S Guilty By Association Truck Show (GBATS) - 4 State Trucks, Joplin, MO. A cross between a truck show, a customer expo, and an open house, GBATS is jam-packed with much fun, good food and great friends! Come for this incredibly action-packed 2-day weekend event filled with big rig burnouts, storewide sales, bull riding, concerts, truck & tractor pull, world's largest convoy, shop tours, kids pedal pull, downtown Joplin street party + much more bring the whole family for a weekend of trucking fun! For more information, go to: <http://www.chromeshopmafia.com/guilty-by-association-truck-show>

September 25-27 - Truckers 4 Hope Truck Show - Clinton County Fair, 98 Racetrack Road, Mackeyville, PA. 17751. Non-judged Truck Show. Semi-Pulls, Tractor Pulls, 4x4 Pulls. Family friendly. Live Music, Beer Tent, Kids Activities, Vendors, Camping, Light Show and Much More! For more info contact Jason Smith @ 570-660-7281 or email: truckers4hope@gmail.com

October 3 - Trucks For Smiles - 6th Annual Somerset Area Make-A-Wish® Truck Convoy - Somerset County Fairgrounds, Meyersdale, PA. Hosted by W.W. Friedline, Inc. All proceeds benefit Make-A-Wish®. For more info or to preregister, contact Mark or Keri Friedline at 814-445-2193, email: Keri@wwwwf101.com or visit www.TrucksForSmiles.com

October 17 - 11th Annual LargeCarMag Southern Classic Truck Show - LeeHi Travel Plaza, Lexington, VA. For more info email: michele@largecarmag.com or phone 717-806-8907

If you would like to list an upcoming show or event, send all the details including a telephone contact number to:

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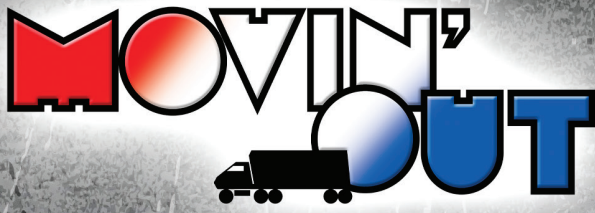
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Working Show Truck Of The Month

Patrick Sutyla
Reznik Transport



By Robert Conrad

Patrick Sutyla always seems to have his 2006 KW W-900L looking it's best, whether he's hauling garbage into a landfill or pulling nursery stock out of the Midwest. Patrick is the manager of Reznik Transport, which was founded in 2011 by company owner Eben Reznik. It just so happens that Eben also drives a cool looking KW, a 2020 W-900L. He and Patrick haul anything from trash to mulch in the company walking floor trailers, generalized freight on stepdecks, and they specialize in nursery stock up and down the East Coast and out of the

Midwest.

Patrick's truck has a 285" wheelbase and power comes from a 625 HP CAT engine that's paired with an 18 speed transmission and a set of 3:36 rears. The truck underwent a complete frame off restoration in 2017, with the majority of the work being done in house by the Reznik crew.

Boscoe's Garage, out of Enfield, CT, did the impressive paint work and Tri-State Kenworth built the motor at their Enfield, CT dealership. The silver & blue paint combination is accented by just the right amount of bling.

A custom square bumper sits up front, a drop visor was added,

air horns removed from the roof, a set of angle-cut straight pipes was added, and custom boxes with step plates as well. A set of painted 1/2 fenders sits over the rear tandems and the frame is trimmed off in the back with a custom light valence.

Patrick runs the truck year round, always keeping it shining despite some unpredictable New England weather. If you happen to be down in the Southern CT area you just might get the chance to see this silver beauty firsthand, or you might see it at one of the local truckshows that Patrick enjoys attending. Either way, make sure you have your sunglasses with you!

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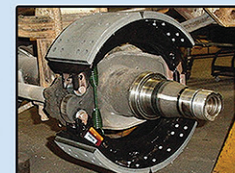
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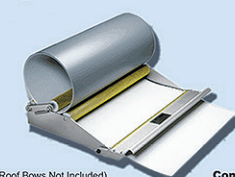
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