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## Truck Meet At The Crossroads Draws Over 100 Trucks



The 4th Annual Truck Meet At The Crossroads was held on May 3-5 in California, Missouri. Over 100 beautiful trucks attended the show. Turn to pages 14 & 15 for the story and more photos. - Photo by Steve Pollock -

## Kuhnle Motorsports Park – Ohio's Thunder Capital!



- photo by Pam Pollock -

**By Steve Pollock**  
THOMPSON, OH... The Thompson Drag Raceway was one of Ohio's earliest race tracks. First opened in 1958, the race track was host to nearly every racing sanctioned group and saw many records set in its over 60 years of racing history. The track was purchased in December of

2021 by Kuhnle Brothers, a Newbury, Ohio based trucking company. In 2022, Kuhnle Brothers built a semi-truck track next to the car track. Now known as Kuhnle Motorsports Park, the track is host to both car and semi-truck events on separate tracks and held on different dates. Kuhnle Motorsports Park has instituted the

"Semi Stampede", a series of events being held June 21-23, August 2-4, and September 20-22. The Semi Stampede features Quebec style side-by-side uphill truck drag racing on a 1/8 mile asphalt paved track. The heats include Bobtail and Pulling Trailers loaded with 93,000 pounds. continued on page 20

## Put Money Back In Your Pocket With Switchblade® Turbo



President Dan McClave and Owner Jim Blaylock at the facility in Baxter Springs, KS.

BAXTER SPRINGS, KS... Jim Blaylock, owner of Blaylock Turbochargers, has been rebuilding turbos for 43 years. Jim was rebuilding turbos for customers in Joplin, Missouri and then began repairing turbos and turbo compo-

nents for other rebuilders. One day, as Jim took an air gun to a turbine wheel he noticed as he varied the angle of the air gun, the turbine responded differently and the Switchblade® Turbocharger was born. By changing the angle

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# John Brown Trucking Honors Drivers



The Safe Drivers of John Brown Trucking. - photo by Steve Pollock -



Drivers honored for consecutive years of Safe Driving. - photo by Steve Pollock -

**By Steve Pollock**

PORTERSVILLE, PA.... The safe drivers of John Brown Trucking were hon-

ored at a breakfast banquet this past April 27<sup>th</sup> at John Brown's Country Kitchen Restaurant in Portersville,

Pennsylvania. Terminal Manager Harry Freelin addressed the assembled drivers, telling

them they were doing a good job sending photos of their paperwork. Drivers were reminded to fill out logs completely and to stay in touch with dispatch before each load in case of last minute changes.

Shocking dash cam video incidents from company trucks were shown. The videos often help mitigate or eliminate litigation, and many times exonerate the company and driver from responsibility. National statistics showed that John Brown Trucking drivers were well below the national average of crashes per miles driven.

John Brown Trucking is a subsidiary of American Bulk Commodities, a family first company that wants everyone to go home safely at the end of the day.

Harry Freelin concluded the banquet by remarking to the drivers, "Don't ever look back and say, 'what if'. You guys are doing a great job!"

The following John Brown Trucking Professional Truck drivers were recognized for consecutive years of safe driving:

Mark Jeffrey, Kaleb Joliffe, Ronald Weinzierl, Thomas Mackay, Jr., Dale Stevenson, Ronald Yockey, Richard Schaefer, Franklin Carnahan, and Mark Pacai.

# Experience the Power and Beauty of Trucking at Shell Rotella SuperRigs 2024

DALLAS / FORT WORTH, TX ... Shell Rotella is thrilled to announce the return of the SuperRigs truck competition, which will be hosted at Texas Motor Speedway from May 30th to June 1st, 2024. Celebrating its 42nd year, this annual event is one of the most highly anticipated within the trucking community and promises an extraordinary showcase of the nation's finest working trucks. This year's SuperRigs will bring together hardworking truckers from across North America to compete for over \$25,000 in cash and prizes in a variety of categories. The competition will also feature a People's Choice award, where attendees can cast their vote for their favorite truck each day of the event. Additionally, the prestigious Best of Show award and winners from across 24 categories will be presented by the judges.

"Hosting the 42nd annual Shell Rotella® SuperRigs® competition in the heart of Texas at Texas Motor Speedway will be as big as the spirit of the truckers we celebrate," said Julie Wright, Shell Rotella Brand Manager. "This event not only showcases the beauty and power of these incredible machines

but also honors the hardworking men and women who operate them."

Participants and visitors will enjoy a spectacular environment at the iconic Texas Motor Speedway, a venue known for its rich history in motorsports. The event schedule includes an award ceremony, live music, and numerous family-friendly activities, ensuring an engaging experience for all ages.

Truck Light Show: Friday night, contestants will turn Texas Motor Speedway into a display of colors and lights as they compete for the "Best Lights" category.

Brodie Lane Concert: Friday night will also feature a performance by Brodie Lane, a local fan-favorite band from Austin, TX. The concert will be followed by a fireworks display.

All Shell Rotella SuperRigs activities will be held on the infield of Texas Motor Speedway. Contestants will be required to enter/exit via the south tunnel at the track.

For updates on the Shell Rotella SuperRigs competition, visit [www.rotella.com/superrigs](http://www.rotella.com/superrigs). For People's Choice voting, visit <https://www.mymilesmatter.ca/superrigs/peopleschoice>



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# OFF THE BEATEN PATH

BY PAM POLLOCK



## And I Said To Myself...

Louis Armstrong nailed it when he sang that it was a wonderful world! Spring has sprung in the most amazing fashion these past few weeks and soon the glory of Summer will be upon us.

The trees are bursting with green leaves that dangle and dance in the wind. The tulips and azaleas are past their bloom, the wisteria is barely hanging on as it drapes itself up, down and across our old barn foundation. I've made several trips to Skylar's Greenhouse for hanging baskets, flower urns, and flats of cheerful Pansies.

Every morning after I climb out of bed – and I literally have to use a stepstool to get out of our high, old-fashioned 4 poster bed, I pause to peek out the upstairs hallway window that overlooks our front lawn. I check on the status of our grass – my spouse and I have spent hours and hours, not to mention \$\$ in getting the lawn to flourish and grow again. (We do NOT use any harsh chemicals, weed or pest control!). I spy on my early birds (literally) who are already feasting at one of the 32 bird feeders I have around our house. Often, like I did this morning, I dash out of the house before 6:30 am – in my pajamas and housecoat, to photograph the sky. Many mornings there are blue skies with fluffy clouds that create the most amazing shapes and capture my attention. Other times, the rain pours from the heavens and a soggy marsh develops in my back yard and creates a stream of running water that cascades down to road. This morning I was awakened to a thick fog and I felt as though I was in an enchanted forest as I meandered here and there, with only the sounds of migrating birds as my companions.

Six nights ago I was treated to an occurrence that I have only dreamed of and never thought I would see – a display of vivid hues of pink, purple and green – the Aurora Borealis, also known as the Northern Lights and

I watched this mystical event at our Homestead! I spent 1.5 hours just standing in awe of the beauty of the night sky! I captured many photos with only my iPhone camera and did not use any filters or photo editing. Are the photos amateur? Absolutely! But I beam with such joy every time that I look at them and remember the wonder that I experienced standing out in my yard, gazing up at this celestial event.

I didn't really sleep at all that night – I kept climbing out of bed and dashing outside to see if the

Northern Lights were still visible. I was so sleepy the next day, that after I took the grandkids home after their sleepover with us, I climbed into bed in the late afternoon and took a 4 hour nap. I sleep through the rain and a gorgeous double rainbow, which my husband captured on camera.

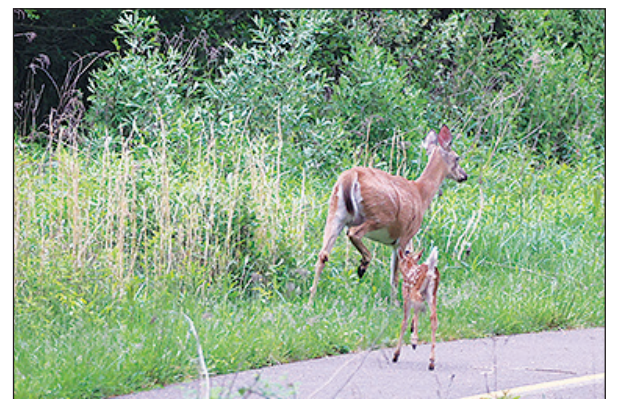
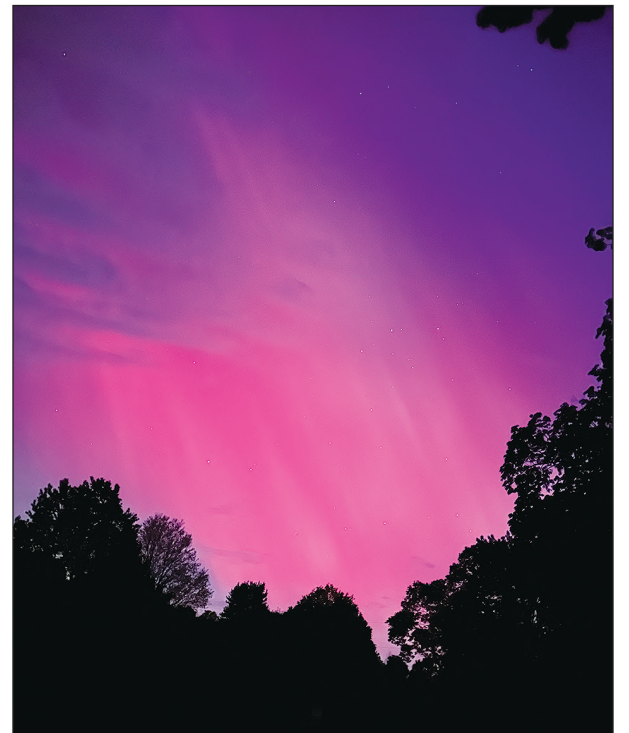
The following day was Mother's Day and I began the day by driving up to a marsh 45 minutes away to do some solitary birding. I spent 4 hours walking and reminiscing about my Mom. I heard so many birds and



even photographed some of the elusive warblers.

Two days later, I sneaked out of the house early in the morning to travel to Moraine State Park to do some more birding before work. I walked 2 miles and was treated to a morning serenade of songbirds. The highlight of my morning was when a Mama doe and her fawn leaped from the bushes and crossed in front of me on the bike trail. I was further up the trail from them but I managed to rapid fire off several images on my camera. I was able to stroll into my office only 15 minutes late. I tacked this newspaper deadline with invigoration.

Ohhh yes, tis indeed a wonderful world!



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# 2024 ATHS National Convention & Truck Show At York, Pennsylvania On June 6-8

KANSAS CITY, MO... The 2024 ATHS National Convention & Truck Show invites truck enthusiasts and families alike to York, Pennsylvania, from June 6-8, promising an unforgettable experience.

The excitement kicks off with onsite registrations beginning on Tuesday, June 4. Attendees are welcomed with open arms at the Kick-off Party on Wednesday, June 5, setting the stage for the highlight event, the Friday evening Awards Dinner & Banquet.

The 2024 National Convention & Truck Show will unfold at the York County Fairgrounds, located at 334 Carlisle Ave., York, PA.

Register as a Convention Attendee or to Display Truck(s) by:

• ATHS Website: [www.aths.org/convention/2024-convention/](http://www.aths.org/convention/2024-convention/)  
• Phone: 816-891-9900

For those preferring traditional methods, a Convention Registration form <https://tinyurl.com/25u-t9ub9> can be mailed along with payment to:

American Truck Historical Society, 10380 N Ambassador Dr., Kansas City, MO 64153

The Convention package is priced at \$130 for mem-

bers, encompassing week-long admission, the kick-off party, and the Awards Banquet. Additionally, a week-long admission pass is available at \$50 for members and \$80 for non-members.

Open to the public on June 6-8, the ATHS National Convention and Truck Show offer a plethora of activities. Daily gate spectator admittance is priced at \$15 for adult members and \$20 for adult non-members, with children aged 12 & under granted free entry. This includes access to the Truck Show, Vendor Expo, and Learning Sessions.

Pre-sales will be available online starting in late April. With an average of around 1,000 trucks of all shapes and sizes on display, this event promises to captivate attendees of all ages.

The 2023 ATHS sponsors include: Cummins, Daimler Truck North America, Vander Haag's, Iowa 80, Truckomat, Cat Scale, Hagerty Insurance, The Sercombe Family, Reisel's Machine Works, and Kenworth of PA.

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# High Performance Diesels with Bruce Mallinson

## The Passing Of A Friend

It is with a heavy heart and great sadness that Pittsburgh Power announces the passing of our dear friend and colleague, Pete Sharp, on May 5, 2024. Pete's valiant fight against pancreatic cancer in the past year was a testament to his extraordinary char-

acter and unyielding determination. Despite the formidable obstacles, Pete's unwavering positivity and resilience served as a beacon of hope for all of us.

Pete's presence within the Pittsburgh Power family was truly irreplaceable. His unique energy made ev-

ery interaction memorable. Whether it was his genuine kindness or his readiness to lend a helping hand, Pete's impact on the lives he touched was profound and lasting.

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twin brother Pat into the diesel mechanic industry. Pete worked as a mechanic for many years, honing his skills and eventually becoming one of the leading experts on Big Cam, N14, and many other Cummins engines in the United States. Pete's role in Pittsburgh Power expanded throughout the years, and he eventually became Vice President, still spending an enormous amount of time on the phone helping customers across the country. Pete had an incredibly strong work ethic and cared greatly about the company, our employees, and our customers.

Beyond his professional contributions, Pete was a friend and confidant to many. He had a knack for brightening dark days with his optimistic outlook and outgoing nature. Pete greatly enjoyed fishing on his kayak on the Kiskiminetas River, regardless of if he caught anything or not, as long as there was a good cold craft beer waiting for him when he was finished. Pete also enjoyed skiing and spending weekends at Hidden Valley or Seven Springs Ski resorts when he was able to. Pete was very close to his three nephews and niece, whom he loved spending time

with and watching grow up. Throughout his battle with cancer, Pete demonstrated remarkable resilience and courage. He faced each day with a sense of bravery and determination that inspired all who knew him. Despite the pain and uncertainty, Pete remained unwavering in his resolve to fight for every moment.

As we mourn Pete's passing, we also celebrate his profound impact on our lives. His memory will forever be a cherished part of the Pittsburgh Power family, serving as a beacon of strength and inspiration for years to come. Though he may no longer be with us in body, his spirit will continue to live on through the lives he has touched and the memories he created.

In the days after Pete's departure, we unite to honor his legacy and support

one another through this challenging time. Together, we can find solace in the memories we shared and draw strength from the knowledge that Pete's spirit will always be with us. We will carry his legacy of kindness and resilience as we navigate the days ahead, standing strong as the Pittsburgh Power family.

Pete's legacy will continue to inspire us to live each day with courage, kindness, and gratitude. As we mourn the loss of our dear friend and coworker, let us also celebrate his life and his impact on us and the trucking community. Rest in peace, Pete. You will be dearly missed but never forgotten.

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## Something to Think About - Fair Isn't Always Right

by: Mike McGough

Over the years, people learned to expect periodic flooding. Usually, it caused little damage, and within a day or two everything was back to normal. Even when there was a little more water, the damage wasn't serious.

The last flood was a bit unusual. As a result, it left a fair amount of damage in its wake. Fortunately, no one was killed or injured. Shortly after the flood waters receded, both paid crews and volunteers were there to make repairs, rebuild, and set things right. Within a month or so, you'd never have known that a flood had come through. That is unless you visited Edgewood Park. As its name implies, it was a small park on the edge of the woods, just west of the town. It had a uniquely kind history, dating back to the Great Depression.

Nearly a hundred years ago, shortly before the stock market crash 1929, a family opened a small amusement park on that site. The park struggled during the Depression, but made it through. The owners also had a farm, from which they made home deliveries of milk, eggs, and whatever vegetables were in season. With the combination of the two, they held onto the farm and park.

Entrance to the park was free. All you paid for were rides and refreshments. Rides were five cents, and for a quarter you could ride all day. A hot dog and a pop were a dime, popcorn was a nickel, and penny candy was, well, a penny. As the Depression dragged on,

rides were three cents, and you could ride all day for a dime. As for the refreshments, the prices stayed the same, but there was an unspoken policy. If you couldn't pay, you did. If you couldn't pay full price, you paid what you could. And if you couldn't pay at all, that was okay too. The owners built picnic tables around the back edge of the park so families could come, bring their own food, and still enjoy day at the park. When it closed in the mid-60s, the rides were dismantled and sold, and the land was donated to the city as a site for a public park. It retained the name Edgewood Park.

The flood damage to the park was all repairable, and there were funds available for materials. What was needed were some willing and capable hands. On a spring weekend almost a year after the flood, a group was organized to provide those hands and get the work done. They started Friday evening with a planning meeting. At 7:00 AM Saturday morning they began. Most everyone in the group knew everyone else, that is except for one young man. When the work began, he pitched right in. It was quickly clear this was not the first time he'd handled tools.

If there was a foreman in the group, it was a local contractor, an older guy, who got everyone organized and set them to work. Throughout the day, he helped where and when he was needed. He was particularly impressed with the work of the young man no one seemed to know.

The group worked through lunch, taking only enough time for a quick snack. At day's end, Gus, a local restaurateur, brought subs for the crew. When everyone gathered to eat, the contractor purposefully sat beside the young man. As they talked, he learned that this guy had hit a stretch of bad luck, was homeless, and had few prospects.

The subs had been set out six to a table with six seats per table. There was a sub for everyone, a bag of chips, a gob, and a pop. The young man devoured his food; he hadn't eaten in a while. The foreman noticed, so instead of taking a sub, he tapped his belly, and said, "Do me a favor and eat this for me. I don't want Gus to think I'm ungrateful, but I'm trying to take off a few pounds, what with bathing suit season coming on." Without hesitation, the young man said thanks, took the sub, and all but inhaled it. The foreman also invited him to come around to his office on Monday morning, if he was looking for work. That day, in that moment, between those two people, a legacy from the original park owners played itself out in real time, nearly a century later.

In an absolutely fair world, everyone at the table would have gotten a sub. But in the real world, the world where fairness isn't always the best driving force, the needs of one person were graciously met. The contractor/foreman demonstrated clearly that doing what's seemingly fair, can pale in comparison to doing what's genuinely right!

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# Latest Trucking Industry News

## CVSA's Operation Safe Driver Week Is Scheduled for July 7-13

Washington, DC... The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) has announced July 7-13 as the dates for this year's Operation Safe Driver Week, which is a safe-driving enforcement and outreach initiative aimed at improving driving behaviors through educational and traffic-enforcement strategies and driver interactions with law enforcement.

Throughout Operation Safe Driver Week, law enforcement personnel in Canada, Mexico and the U.S. will be on the lookout for commercial motor vehicle drivers and passenger vehicle drivers engaging in unsafe driving behaviors, such as speeding, distracted driving, following too closely, drunk or drugged driving, etc. Drivers engaging in such behaviors will be pulled over by law enforcement and may be issued a warning or citation.

The focus area for this year's Operation Safe Driver Week is reckless, careless or dangerous driving. Any person who drives a vehicle in willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property is driving recklessly. Careless/dangerous driving is defined as operating a vehicle without due care and attention or reasonable consideration for other motorists or people on the road.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, effective, high-visibility communications and outreach are essential parts of successful transportation safety programs. However, communications and outreach programs are unlikely to have an effect unless they are tied to vigorous enforcement. Operation Safe Driver Week aims to improve the safety of our roadways through proactive driver safety outreach and education, and by addressing unsafe driving behaviors through responsive traffic enforcement when drivers are identified engaging in dangerous driving behaviors on our roadways.

Operation Safe Driver Week is part of CVSA's Operation Safe Driver Program. The program offers resources for teen and new drivers and commercial motor vehicle drivers, along with safe-driving public service announcement videos, which are available for download and distribution. CVSA is also offering Operation Safe Driver Week postcards at no cost to its industry and enforcement members.

## ATA Truck Tonnage Index Decreased 2% in March

Washington, DC... American Trucking Associations' advanced seasonally adjusted For-Hire Truck Tonnage Index declined 2% in March after increasing 4% in February. In March, the index equaled 113.4 (2015=100) compared with 115.7 in February.

"Tonnage in March suggests that truck freight volumes remain lackluster, and it is clear the truck freight recession continued through the first quarter," said ATA Chief Economist Bob Costello. "In the first three months of 2024, ATA's tonnage index contracted 0.8% from the previous quarter and declined 2.4% from a year earlier, highlighting ongoing challenges the industry is navigating."

February's increase was revised down slightly

from our March 19 press release.

Compared with March 2023, the index fell 1%, which was the thirteenth straight year-over-year decline, but the second smallest over that period. In February, the index was down 1.7% 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 114.4 in March, 4.7% higher than in February. ATA's For-Hire Truck Tonnage Index is dominated by contract freight as opposed to spot market freight.

In calculating the index, 100 represents 2015.

Trucking serves as a barometer of the U.S.

economy, representing 72.6% of tonnage carried by all modes of domestic freight transportation, including manufactured and retail goods. Trucks hauled 11.46 billion tons of freight in 2022. Motor carriers collected \$940.8 billion, or 80.7% 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.

## PA Becomes 27th State to Ban Handheld Devices While Driving

By Rebecca Oyler, Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association, President & CEO

The Pennsylvania legislature passed Senate Bill 37, introduced by Sen. Rosemary Brown (R-Monroe), making it illegal to use a handheld device while driving. The bill now goes to Governor Shapiro for his signature, which he has said he will provide. This legislation, which was supported by PMTA, expands on the 2012 state texting law by allowing a driver to be cited for using a handheld device without another traffic offense. It sets the fine at \$50.

Commercial drivers using a device for purposes of their job (according to regulations promulgated under 49 U.S.C. section 31136) are excepted from the law. Other exceptions include devices used for navigation

purposes only, emergency notification, ham radio operators, and when a device is affixed to a mass transit or school bus. Devices being used in a hands-free manner are also excepted.

Provisions related to educating young people about the dangers of distracted driving are also included in the bill. SB 37 requires PennDOT to incorporate information in the driver's manual on distracted driving and to include at least one question on the topic on the driver's test. It also requires parents/guardians to certify that minors have viewed information on the dangers of distracted driving on PennDOT's website.

Police are prohibited from charging a driver for both using a handheld device and texting while driving at the same time and place. It also disallows the seizure of an electronic device unless otherwise provided for in the law.

An amendment was added in the House of Representatives that requires state and local police in communities of more than 5,000 to collect data related to race, ethnicity, gender, and age of drivers during traffic stops. The PA State Police must produce an annual report of this information.

PennDOT data shows that there were more than 11,262 distracted driving crashes in 2023. When compared to 8,330 alcohol-related crashes that year, it is clear that distracted driving is a bigger highway safety issue than DUI.

The ban takes effect in one year. For the first 12 months after that, police will issue written warnings only.

## Hirschbach Motor Lines Announces Operational and Branding Consolidation

Hirschbach Motor Lines, Inc. is proud to announce the full integration of John Christner Trucking, LLC. Following the acquisition of John Christner Trucking on April 29, 2022, the companies have been running under separate operations, logistics, and brand identities. Today, we are excited to cement the full integration of operations with joint branding, uniting us as Hirschbach. Logistics and third-party capacity offerings will now operate under the name Hirschbach Solutions.

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# McClymonds Supply And Transit Driver Raises Awareness About COPD



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"We are grateful for people like Tom who are raising awareness about COPD," said Jean Wright, M.D., MBA, CEO of the COPD Foundation. "With over 16 million Americans living with COPD and millions more undiagnosed, highlighting the prevalence of this chronic condition is crucial. In fact, one in eight people over the age of 45 has COPD, and many just don't know it yet. By driving with the COPD ribbon in honor of his wife, Tom not only honors her journey but also brings much-needed awareness to the importance of early detection, management, and support for those living with COPD."

To learn more about the COPD Foundation, visit them online at <https://www.copdfoundation.org/> or contact them at 1-866-731-COPD (2673)

Best wishes to Rocky and Renee on her upcoming surgery.

### By Steve Pollock

Driving his 2024 Peterbilt COPD Awareness Truck has special meaning for Professional Truck Driver Tom Manges, aka "Rocky". Rocky's wife Renee has Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (commonly referred to as COPD), which is a group of lung diseases that block airflow and make it difficult to breathe. Renee is currently on the waiting list for a double lung transplant,

which is expected to happen anytime now. Rocky has been very busy hauling frac sand for McClymonds Supply and Transit in anticipation of taking some extended time off to help his wife recuperate.

When Rocky was given the choice of colors for his new Peterbilt, he chose purple and asked owner Mark McClymonds if he would customize the truck for COPD Awareness.



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# Nearly \$150 Million in Grants Awarded to Help Reduce Truck Air Pollution Near America's Ports

WASHINGTON, DC... The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration is announcing \$148 million in grants to 11 states and Puerto Rico under the first round of a new \$400 million program to improve air quality and reduce pollution for truck drivers, port workers and families that live in communities surrounding ports. The Reduction of Truck Emissions at Port Facilities Grant Program invests in port electrification and efficiency improvements. This program aims to reduce pollution from idling trucks at our nation's ports while modernizing infrastructure and strengthening supply chains.

In this first round of grant awards, FHWA has funded 16 projects that reduce pollution in communities adjacent to ports, which disproportionately bear the negative environmental impacts of idling trucks. Specific truck emissions reductions implemented include replacing diesel-powered trucks serv-

ing ports with zero or low emissions electric or alternative fuel-powered trucks, constructing electric vehicle charging infrastructure, employing port roadway access improvements, and studying technology enhancements to reduce truck emissions. For example:

- \* California is receiving \$49.7 million for port improvements. The Ports of Long Beach, Oakland and Los Angeles will receive funding to replace diesel and gas-powered trucks and shuttle buses with zero-emission technologies, electric trucks and EV chargers.
- \* Texas is receiving \$26.9 million for improvements to the Port of Houston, including 30 new zero-emission, short-haul trucks and portable electric chargers for battery electric vehicle trucks to make zero-emission technology accessible and more affordable to owners and operators of small trucking fleets. It will also pay for the installation of new automated terminal operating systems to reduce truck idling times.

- \* Georgia is receiving \$15.3 million toward improvements at the Port of Savannah, including to build large-scale charging project near the port, replace diesel-powered trucks, and expand the use of low-emission and zero-emission equipment.
- \* Florida is receiving \$10 million for Talleyrand Marine Terminal in Jacksonville and the Port Everglades Terminal in Fort Lauderdale to replace diesel-powered trucks, while terminal improvements at the Seaboard Port of Miami will reduce truck idling time at the gates.

- \* Louisiana is receiving \$7.1 million to purchase 14 new all-electric heavy-duty terminal trucks and five light-duty pickup trucks to replace diesel vehicles currently in use. Funding also will be used to upgrade electrical infrastructure and evaluate new emissions-reducing equipment.
- \* New Jersey is receiving \$2.2 million to replace 20 diesel trucks with more efficient, environmentally friendly vehicles that run on clean, low-emitting propane fuel.

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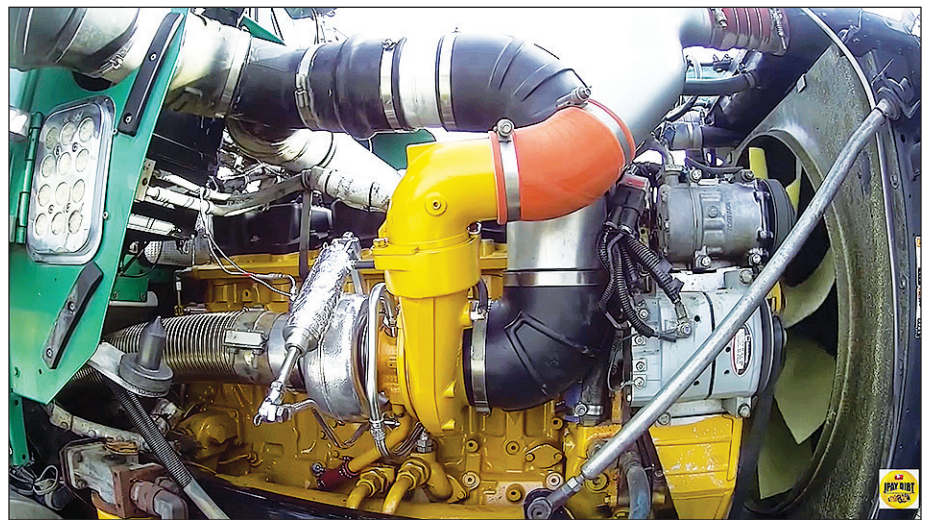
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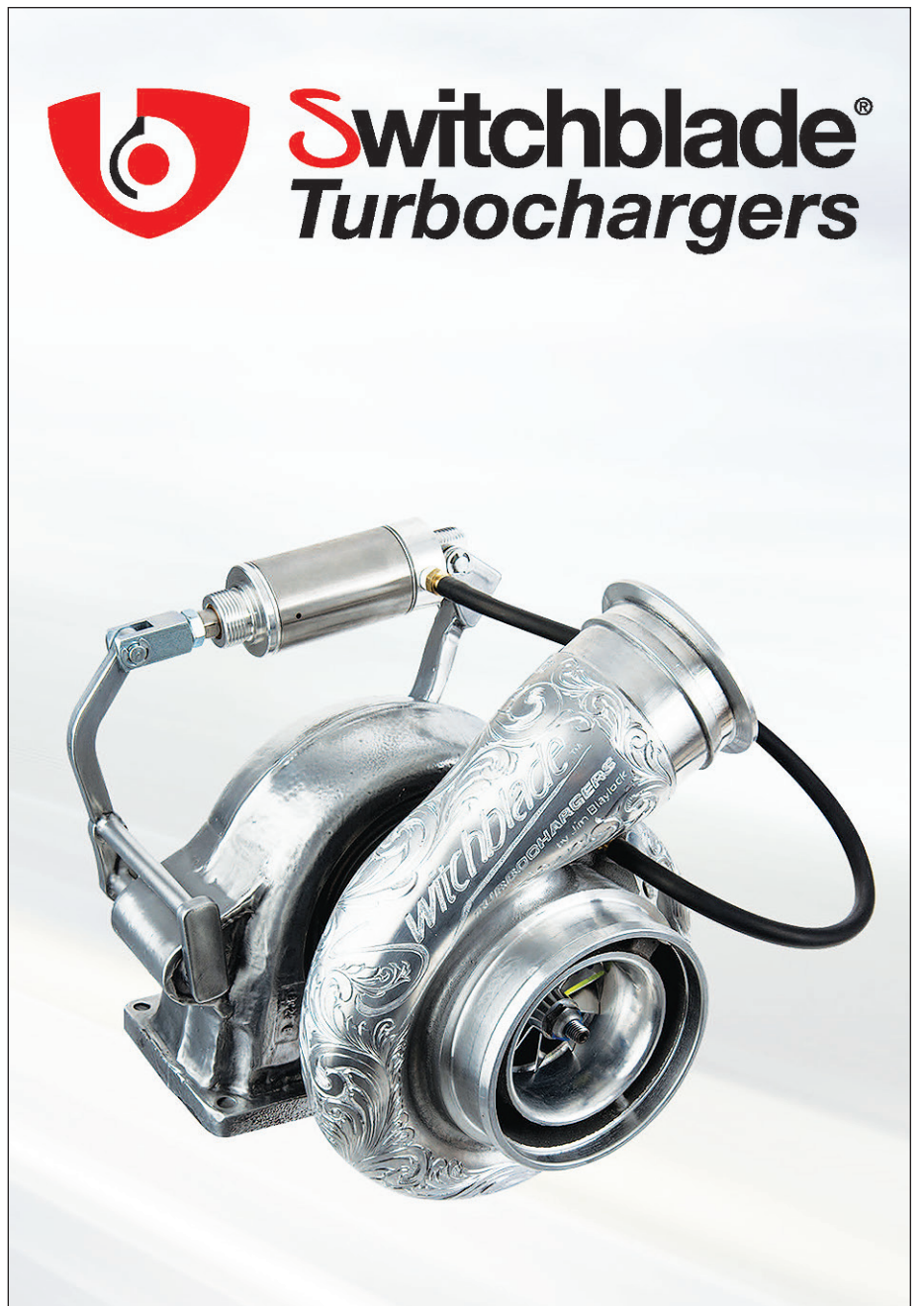
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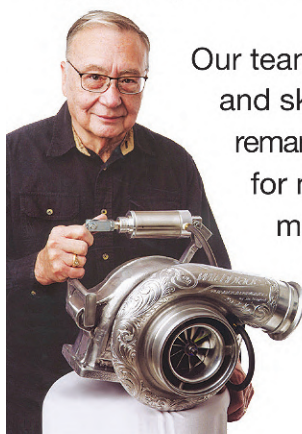
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# Truck Meet At The Crossroads Draws Over 100 Trucks



David and Debbie Rissler in front of their 1996 Marmon with a Detroit engine during the recent Truck Meet At The Crossroads.



The Rissler Family



Employees at the Crossroads Shopping Plaza took a break from the show to pose for a photo.

**By Steve Pollock**  
CALIFORNIA, MO... The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Truck Meet At The Crossroads was held at the Horse and Buggy Accessories Shop at US 50 and Rt. 87 this past May

4<sup>th</sup>. Over 100 trucks were in attendance with everything from show trucks to working trucks and antiques on display. It was a non-judged truck show. There were many beautiful

Missouri trucks as well as trucks from out of state. The truck meet provided lots of fun for the entire family, including a DJ, hay wagon, kiddie tractor ride, bounce house and slide,



The kids at the Truck Meet At The Crossroads enjoyed this ride immensely!

and vendors, including Dynaflex, Hogebuilt, Lincoln Chrome, Grand General, Merritt, OOIDA, and Trux. The Rissler family and employees of Horse and Buggy Accessories worked very hard to make sure it was a great event. A home-style buffet dinner was served on Saturday night, followed by door prizes and a light show. The following

morning was Worship services and a Blessing of the Trucks, drivers, and their families. A free lunch was served afterwards in conclusion of the show.

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# Peterbilt Introduces Innovative Digital Vision System-Mirrors



tion in windshield visibility and to allow continued use of standard glass. The monitors can be viewed in three layouts: Traditional, Panoramic or Expanded and also feature Vision Enhancements which include Automatic Trailer Tracking and Panning, Infrared Night Vision and Clear Inclement Weather Vision.

“Peterbilt sets new standards for performance and safety with purposeful innovation. Our Digital Vision System-Mirrors aligns with this commitment and reflects how we successfully leverage leading technology to enhance our products and elevate the overall driving experience for our customers,” said Jake Montero Peterbilt assistant general manager, sales and marketing.

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Denton, TX... Peterbilt announced the introduction of its new Digital Vision System-Mirrors (DVS-M) in the Models 579 and 567 to maximize driver

visibility and safety. The DVS-M is an intuitive digital solution that uses one High Dynamic Range (HDR) camera integrated into the driver side

mirror head and two HDR cameras integrated into the passenger side mirror head. All three cameras feature hydrophobic lenses to repel water, ice and

dust which ensures visibility during harsh conditions. Cameras controlled by the joystick interface are viewed on two large high-definition interior

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# Montgomery Logistics Named P I&I Motor Express, Inc. As 2023 Q4 Carrier Of The Quarter



volumes of freight in my three years of experience with Montgomery Logistics, and the service levels provided by these guys are above the best," said Tommy McGowan, Montgomery's Senior Carrier Relations Manager. "Devin Busche goes out of his way to stay proactive and is the most efficient and driven individual I have met. I am very proud of the work we have done and look forward to building and improving as the freight market continues to change."

Montgomery Transport says it looks forward to a continued market boost and mutual success throughout 2024 as part of its business partnership with P I&I Motor Express.



Birmingham, AL... Montgomery Logistics, a full-service logistics provider, has named P I&I Motor Express Inc., Ashley, Ind., as its 2023 Carrier of the Quarter for Q4. Montgomery Logistics established the Carrier of the Quarter awards to recognize carriers for their consistent and outstanding value as long-term partners. These partners are an invaluable extension of the Montgomery Logistics team and provide consistent, safe, and reliable capacity daily. "I have moved high

A partner of Montgomery since 2016, P I&I Motor Express has consistently delivered optimal service, unparalleled communication, and proactive problem-solving. "I've been hauling multiple loads every week for Montgomery Logistics. The team, including Tommy, have always been great," said Busche, an owner operator at P I&I. "Anytime there's been a problem, they've made it right; communication is key in trucking, and they've always been great to P I&I Motor Express."

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# From The Chaplain's Desk Women In Motion, Trucker Path Build on Partnership to Enhance Truck Stop Safety and Convenience



**By Ron Fraser, Transport for Christ President**

The Bible has a lot to say about our motives. A motive is the underlying reason for any action. Proverbs 16:2 says, "All a person's ways seem pure to them, but motives are weighed by the LORD." Because the human heart is very deceitful (Jeremiah 17:9), we can easily fool ourselves about our own motives. We can pretend that we are choosing certain actions for God or the benefit of others, when in reality we have selfish reasons. God is not fooled by our selfishness and is "a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12).

Human beings can operate from a variety of motivations, often negative. Pride, anger, revenge, a sense of entitlement, or the desire for approval can all be catalysts for our actions. Any motivation that originates in our sinful flesh is not pleasing to God (Romans 8:8). God even evaluates the condition of our hearts when we give offerings to Him (2 Corinthians 9:7). Selfish motives can hinder our prayers. James 4:3 says, "When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures." Because our hearts are so deceitful, we should constantly evaluate our own motives and be willing to be honest with ourselves about why we are choosing a certain action.

So what is the right motivation? First Thessalonians 2:4 says, "Our purpose is to please God, not people. He alone examines the motives of our hearts" (NLT). God is interested in our motives even more than our actions. First Corinthians 4:5 says that, when Jesus comes again, "he will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. At that time each

will receive their praise from God." God wants us to know that He sees what no one else sees. He knows why we do what we do and desires to reward those whose hearts are right toward Him. We can keep our motives pure by continually surrendering every part of our hearts to the control of the Holy Spirit.

You can contact Ron Fraser, Transport for Christ President at 717-426-9977.

Washington, DC... The American Trucking Associations' Women In Motion and Trucker Path proudly announced that over 100 truck stops—and counting—have joined their effort to address the concerns of women on the road. The organizations are using this milestone to encourage more truck stops to get involved and support women drivers.

Last October, WIM and Trucker Path announced a strategic partnership to help women identify and locate safe and convenient truck stops. Through this collaboration, a number of features were added to Trucker Path's existing mobile app to identify and locate facilities with specific safety amenities that are ranked highly by women.

"We are thrilled that, so far, 100 truck stops have updated their information on Trucker Path to inform women drivers of the availability of safe, accessible facilities," said Trucker Path CMO Chris Oliver. "Through our platform, women can quickly and easily identify stops

along their routes offering amenities catering to their needs, all while accessing real-time information about parking availability, fuel pricing and discounts and so much more. Additionally, they can contribute their comments and reviews that serve as a valuable resource for fellow drivers—both women and men. We look forward to our continued growth alongside Women In Motion, as we collectively endeavor to make our industry more inclusive and welcoming for all."

"Women In Motion and ATA have made increasing access to safe truck parking a primary mission, so helping women find those facilities while on the road is the next logical step in our furthering that mission," said Women In Motion Co-Chair Sarah Rajtik, ATA's chief operating officer. "Enrolling over 100 truck stops through this partnership is a terrific start, and we hope the use of this app continues to spread from coast to coast. The more this app is adopted by truck stops, embraced by fleets and

reviewed by drivers, the more women can rely on it as a tool to feel safe on the roads."

The Trucker Path app enables participating truck stops to mark whether they have the following amenities:

- \* Lighted parking
- \* Lighted bathroom access
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- \* Lighted shower facilities with 24/7 access
- \* Lighted laundry facilities with 24/7 access
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Drivers are able to provide updates on the condition of these amenities through the Trucker Path mobile app. Facilities with all seven will be marked with the Women In Motion logo. To date, nine truck stops have received this distinction:

- \* Circle C Travel Plaza – PTP Stop, Walterboro, SC
- \* Ports to Plains Truck Plaza, Lamar, CO
- \* Garden Inn Truck Plaza, Cabool, MO
- \* Garden Inn Truck Plaza, Mound City, MO
- \* King Travel Plaza, Kin-

- gland, GA
- \* Big Apple Travel Center, Joplin, MO
- \* Compass Travel Center, Demotte, IN
- \* American Truck Plaza, Milton, PA
- \* Drayup Inc., Savannah, GA

Truck parking facilities interested in obtaining the Women In Motion branding can log into the Trucker Path Business Portal and follow a few simple steps. Truck parking facilities not listed on the Trucker Path app can register for free.

To learn more about Women In Motion, visit [www.trucking.org/WomenInMotion](http://www.trucking.org/WomenInMotion).

## U.S. Department of Transportation Announces \$3 Million in 'Quick Release' Emergency Relief Funding for I-95 Repairs After Truck Fire in Norwalk, CT

WASHINGTON, DC... The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced the immediate availability of \$3 million in "quick release" Emergency Relief (ER) funds for the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT). The funds will be used to offset costs to reconstruct the Fairfield Avenue bridge over Interstate 95 (I-95), damaged in a gas tanker crash on May 2nd.

On Thursday, May 2, 2024, a motor vehicle collision involving a gas tanker caused a fire on I-95 in Norwalk, Connecticut. The fire compromised the Fairfield Avenue bridge over I-95 and closed the interstate highway in both directions. CTDOT evaluated the crash site and determined the bridge will need to be demolished and reconstructed. The "quick release" Emergency Relief funding announced today will be used immediately for eligible expenses. CTDOT is conducting necessary emergency operations and repairs to maintain traffic throughout the crash site. CTDOT reopened I-95 Sunday evening.

FHWA's Emergency Relief program provides funding to States, territories, Tribes, and Federal Land Management Agencies for highways and bridges damaged by natural disasters or catastrophic events. These "quick release" Emergency Relief funds are an initial installment of funds toward restoring this essential transportation link. Additional funds needed to repair damages to Interstate-95 and the Fairfield Avenue bridge will be supported by the Emergency Relief program through subsequent nationwide funding allocations.

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## Trucker-Supported Care Package Program Seeking Addresses

Grain Valley, MO... The Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association acknowledged Military Appreciation Month with a Truckers for Troops® campaign from May 6-19, 2024. This program focuses on supporting U.S. troops overseas and veterans back home.

The fundraising effort has been an OOIDA tradition since 2007, originally dedicated to sending care packages to service personnel stationed in combat zones. Truckers for Troops has also helped a variety of veterans facilities, including those assisting or housing wounded, disabled or homeless service members.

**ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE:** Over the past 17 years, OOIDA has raised more than \$800,000 dollars, sent more than 3,273 care packages, serving more than 39, 276 members of the military. We've also sent aid packages to 65 different facilities caring for wounded, disabled and homeless veterans, including the Veterans Community Project. The VCP began in Kansas City and plans to have locations in every state. Currently they have locations in Sioux Falls, SD, Longmont, CO,

St. Louis, and other states.

**HOW IT WORKS:** During the two-week campaign period, truckers could join or renew for \$35, with 10 percent of that money going toward care packages. OOIDA matches the 10 percent dollar for dollar.

**Phone:** During business hours, call 816-229-5791, mention Truckers for Troops, and get transferred to Membership.

**Online:** Visit [www.OOIDA.com](http://www.OOIDA.com) and select "Become a Member" to join or renew.

**Mail:** If mailing in payments, indicate "Dues & Donation" or "Donation only" and specify "TROOPS" on your payment. Direct donation-only checks to the OOIDA Foundation.

Donations only and more info found here: Truckers for Troops website. Individual tax-deductible contributions to the Truckers for Troops fund are also welcome and can be paid to the OOIDA Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

**Spotlight on Veterans Community Project:** This invaluable project boasts a 60 percent success rate transitioning veterans from homelessness to permanent housing.

Veterans are provided with "tiny homes" filled with amenities. They also access a community center for support.

### CARE PACKAGE ADDRESSES

Anyone who has a family member or friend serving with the U.S. military, and who would like for them to get a care package, can send the name and complete address to [troops@ooida.com](mailto:troops@ooida.com) and be sure to include projected stateside return date.

### CARDS AND LETTERS SHOWING APPRECIATION

Send to: Attention: Truckers for Troops, P.O. Box 1000, Grain Valley, MO 64029. Towns or school names can be included, but please do not include last names or other personal information..

The Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association is the largest national trade association representing the interests of small-business trucking professionals and professional truck drivers. The Association currently has approximately 150,000 members nationwide. OOIDA was established in 1973 and is headquartered in the Greater Kansas City, Mo., area.

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  - D) Mechanical Engines (pre-electronic)

All races are paired according to class but classes are mixed during the heats. Rules are listed on the website. The June Semi Stampede will also feature a sanctioned NAST Truck Show for

Bobtails and Combos. You can find info about the NAST Truck Show at [www.nastshowtrucks.org](http://www.nastshowtrucks.org) All three Semi Stampede events will have fireworks on Saturday night and live bands and DJs. Kuhnle Motorsports Park is also host to several car events including the Gasser Nationals (Antique Cars); Grudge Racing (Wed. nights); IHRA Hot Rod Racing; Test And Tune; Independence Eve; and Stripper Glitter. De-

tails, Rules, and Registration for all events can be found at [www.kuhnlemotorsports.com](http://www.kuhnlemotorsports.com) All Stampede events are Rain or Shine and weekend camping is available on the premises. Food vendors are also at each event, along with Bands (for most races). Passes are good for the entire weekend. Attendees are

invited to arrive Thursday night so that they can watch the practice runs on Friday. Come to Kuhnle Motorsports Park for never-ending action! They are located at 8233 Sidley Road in Thompson, Ohio. You can contact them at 440-564-7168 or by visiting [www.kuhnlemotorsports.com](http://www.kuhnlemotorsports.com)

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# A Likely Story - Never Be First

**By Roger Clark**

Defensive driving is the name of the game, and there are numerous classes available to teach it: Smith System, AAA, NSC, and even AARP. Us old guys finally have a defense against other old guys. You can even learn to drive online, thanks to the internet, and watch YouTube crashes without the inconvenience of bleeding, screaming, cursing, and crying.

All these Defensive Driving courses have had a measure of success. Even bleeding, screaming, cursing, and crying have had some success as well. And both ways can be paid for with a debit card.

But I have a better idea. NEVER BE FIRST. Here's what I mean by that. When you're faced with high winds, heavy rain, snow-covered roads, or icy conditions, don't put your career on ice just because you're behind the eight-ball. Don't be the first one to spin out, jack-knife, or flip your rig over.

Even in lousy weather, over the years, I would keep on trucking until I saw someone crashed in the ditch. NEVER BE FIRST. It was the only Defensive Driving technique I needed. I didn't need no stinking diagram on a classroom whiteboard, or a YouTube motormouth to walk me through it.

Trucking in our Land Of

The Free now has pay and benefits that rival many white-collar jobs. That's good news. Even better, trucks come with features today that we only dreamed about, back in the previous century. You name it, I've probably had it, including TV's, dashcams, hookers, and microwaves. Well, okay, I've never had a TV in the truck. But yes, I have had computers, printers, satellite connections, and shredders for filing my bakery receipts.

I've also had the latest state-of-the-art autonomous features, like automatic braking, radar-controlled cruise control, audible turn signals, and even a dashboard image of a steaming cup of coffee to remind me that it may be time to take a break. All truck drivers, ya know, are

coffee drinkers. Of course. And all drivers, of course, can pull over and rest whenever they get tired.

But don't be fooled, of course, by all this technology. You still have to watch where you're going. You still have to share the road, back in straight, and exit the truckstop without leaving a debris field. When it comes to accidents, crashes, tickets, or calls from the Safety Department, let someone else be first.

Here's the reality of trucking today in America. When it comes to defensive driving, we need to drive like everyone else is crazy, and that's because they are. Between texters, drinkers, stoners, and ragers, everything we do is all we can do to stay out of their way.

I had a student driver once who was already old,

back in 1998, and he's still driving today. Well, okay, he was still upright at lunch today anyway, but he's always had something I've never had. Infinite patience. With it, we'll be seen for 90+ years, just as he's been. Without it, the viewing might last for mere hours.

I had other students, much younger at the time, who also became million-milers using the same philosophy. Plan the day. Take your time. Do your job but love the work. Use a GPS but bring a map. Get your rest but call the house. There's someone somewhere, after all, who loves you whether you deserve it or not. No one knows that better than me.

And don't split the difference. Don't settle for less. Don't get impatient, and for heaven's sake, don't be first!

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# Risslerbilt Customizes New Peterbilt 389



Three generations of the Rissler family from left to right: Josh, Kayden, and Paul.

**By Steve Pollock**

CALIFORNIA, MO... Risslerbilt, LLC is in the process of customizing this 2024 Peterbilt 389 in collaboration with 4 State Trucks (Chrome Shop Ma-

fia). The 389 belongs to Brent Wilmoth, owner of Ozarks Travel Plaza in Mt. Vernon, Missouri. It is one of the last 5 Peterbilt 389s to be built and the last to be sold by The Larson Group.

Risslerbilt has lowered the truck and given it a new paint job, eliminated the bolt heads on the frame, and hid the DEF tank.

# OOIDA's Crew Attended The Truck Meet At The Crossroads



Charles, Jordan, Travis, and Marty from OOIDA were part of the vendors group at the Truck Meet At The Crossroads in California, Missouri in May.

- photo by Steve Pollock -

## Truckstop and Bloomberg Intelligence Survey Shows Sentiment Among Carriers Has Improved

BOISE, ID... According to the latest Bloomberg | Truckstop survey, which polled owner-operators and small fleets, sentiment among North American carriers operating in the truckload spot market has improved over the past three months, but some concerns still linger.

The Bloomberg | Truckstop 1Q24 Truckload Survey shows:

\* Demand remained under strain in 1Q: Despite 62% of carriers reporting lower freight volume in 1Q, 33% predict freight demand to increase in the next 3-6 months. Only 19% predict freight demand to decline in the same timeframe, which represents a 12-point percentage decline vs. the 4Q survey.

\* Encouraging signs the market may be starting to improve: The survey revealed that a majority of carriers believe better times are around the corner with Truckstop's Market Demand Index up 9% in 1Q from last year, the first year-over-year gain after seven quarterly declines. Only 26% expect rates to decline over the next 3-6 months, 6 percentage points less than in the 4Q survey, while 28% see rates rising, which is 6 percentage points more than in 4Q.

\* Carriers uncertain about their futures: Forty-four percent (44%) of respondents were unsure about their status in six months and 9% said they wanted to leave the trucking industry. More than three-quarters of respondents (78%) said higher interest rates in 1Q affected their businesses. Elevated rates can have a significant impact on equipment-financing expenses, with 19% citing increased costs as the main reason they're not replacing or adding

tractors. Though demand was challenging for carriers in 1Q, with loads drop-

ping an average of 10%, that was slightly better than the 13% decline in 4Q.

## Arkansas Now Providing Real-Time Traffic Slowdown Alerts to Truck Drivers

Drivewyze, the North American leader in connected truck services and the largest public-private weigh station bypass network operator, has announced that the Arkansas

Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Arkansas Trucking Association (ATA) have collaborated to provide free in-cab safety alerts for commercial truck drivers traveling on Arkan-

sas interstates and freeways. These proactive safety alerts, which give drivers heads up notifications of unexpected traffic congestion and other safety hazards, are provided free of charge to commercial carriers thanks to the Arkansas DOT, Arkansas Highway Police, with the support of the ATA, and delivered via the Drivewyze connected truck network.

Through Drivewyze's Smart Roadways service, which helps state agencies extend the reach of their safety messaging programs right into the cabs of commercial trucks, more than 800 miles of roadways in Arkansas are monitored for real-time traffic activity. In addition to real-time alerts, Arkansas is providing drivers with virtual sign messaging which can help drivers prepare for special traffic conditions or be advised of alternative routes.

Arkansas is the 10th state to offer these alerts, which provide visual in-cab messages such as "sudden slowdown ahead" along with an audible chime. The alerts are configured to allow ample time for trucks to slow down or stop, as necessary. The program is provided for free to drivers and fleets as part of the Drivewyze Free safety service, which runs on most ELDs, telematics devices, smartphones, and tablets.

The alerts are available free of charge through a recently introduced service called Drivewyze Free. This allows fleets and drivers - using telematics devices, smartphones, or tablets - to receive an essential set of in-cab safety alerts and advisories in advance of potentially risky areas on the roadway. Drivewyze Free includes access to agency-sponsored real-time traffic slowdown alerts and other alerts and advisories generated in partnership with select state transportation and enforcement agencies. To take advantage of this new program in Arkansas and receive free in-cab safety alerts, drivers or fleets should visit [www.drivewyze.com/free](http://www.drivewyze.com/free) in order to be activated.

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# Ozarks TravelCenter – Truly One Of A Kind!



Ozarks TravelCenter's 66' tall Obelisk.



**By Steve Pollock**

MT. VERNON, MO... If you want a unique travel plaza experience, visit Ozarks TravelCenter off I-44 Exit 46 in Mt. Vernon, Missouri. The travel center has been open for one year now and is a franchised Travel Centers of America (TA) location, owned by the Wilmoth family.

So what makes Ozarks TravelCenter unique? For starters, when you pull up to the fuel pumps, the owner Brent Wilmoth and his son Eric are there all day to greet drivers, cleaning their windshields and checking their oil. Brent takes selfies with drivers and photos of their trucks,

posting the photos daily to his Facebook page, "Brent Wilmoth".

Brent said, "We like to get to know our customers personally and show them that we appreciate their business. An added bonus is that we have also made a lot of friends along the way."

The Ozarks TravelCenter was built at a cost of 30 million dollars and has parking accommodations for upwards of 300 trucks with a few spots set aside that can be reserved by calling ahead. A full service facility, the travel center has a big screen TV with theater seating in the waiting room of their service facil-

ity for drivers convenience. They feature state-of-the-art restrooms and oversized showers. Inside the spacious travel center is a Wendy's and Subway, fudge and cookies made on the premises, and soft serve ice cream.

The restaurant at the Ozarks TravelCenter is the talk of the town out on the road. They fresh smoke their own meats – brisket, pork, chicken, bologna, turkey and ribs each day. There are 15 different meal specials on a 3 week rotation featuring 5 specials each day for a week. However, the fried catfish is available every day.

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**June 6-8 - ATHS National Convention and Truck Show** - York County Fairgrounds, 334 Carlisle Ave., York, PA. Truck Show, Vendor Expo, and Learning Sessions. Daily gate spectator admittance is priced at \$15 for adult members and \$20 for adult non-members, with children aged 12 & under granted free entry. [www.ATHS.org](http://www.ATHS.org)

**June 6-9 - Wheel Jam Truck Show** - South Dakota State Fairgrounds, 43118th St. SW, Huron, SD. Show N Shine, Awards, Jake Brake Competition, Parade and Convoy through downtown Huron. For more info visit [www.wheel-jamtruckshow.com](http://www.wheel-jamtruckshow.com) or phone 605-354-2809

**June 8 - 2024 Convoy For Kids** - Georgian Place, Somerset, PA. Benefits the Greater Pennsylvania and West Virginia Make-A-Wish Foundation. Truck Show, Truck Convoy begins at 3 pm, Live Auction, Basket Raffles, Entertainment, Food, Vendors, Auctions, Family Fun. For more info, contact Bud Colflesh @ 814-521-0741 or email: peterbilt798@gmail.com

**June 21-22- 12th Annual Ohio Vintage Truck Reunion** - Ashland County Fairgrounds, 2042 Claremont Ave., Ashland, OH. 44805. Hosted by the Ohio Chapters of the American Truck Historical Society. Vintage Trucks, Trucking Memorabilia Display, Swap Meet, On-site Camping, Truck Crawl, Jake-Off, Light Show, Truck Model Contest, Country Convoy and more! In place of Registration and Admission fees - donations to Ashland Food Bank and Shriner's Transportation Fund appreciation. For more info contact Bill Peters @ 330-682-1707, email: wep515@gmail.com, website: [www.ohvintkreau.com](http://www.ohvintkreau.com)

**June 21-23 - Kuhnle Motor Sports Canadian Style Truck Uphill Racing** - 8233 Sidley Rd., Thompson, Ohio. For more info, go to [www.kuhnlemotorsports.com](http://www.kuhnlemotorsports.com)

**June 22 - The Jane Harting Cancer Benefit Truck Show Picnic** - Elite Service, Inc., 905 Stone Hill Road, Denver, PA. Proceeds benefit Help The Fight. \$25/Unit\* Registration Fee (If you are registering a truck and trailer, that is 2 units.) Classic Cars/Small Trucks are welcome! \$15 each registration fee. Bring Lawn Chairs/. For more information, visit [www.eliteattitude.com](http://www.eliteattitude.com) or see Elite Service, Inc.'s Facebook Page.

**June 23 - American Truck Historical Society ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Show**- Brooklyn Fair Grounds, Route 169, Brooklyn, CT. 8 am - 3 pm. For more information, call Charlie Dainton @ 860-933-5407.

**June 29-30 - Texas Trucking Show** - NRG Center, Houston, Texas. For more info, phone 832-323-2900. Email: [almaguer@texastruckingshow.com](mailto:almaguer@texastruckingshow.com) Website: [www.texastruckingshow.com](http://www.texastruckingshow.com)

**July 6 - 2nd Annual J&S Etling Chrome Shop Open House** - 4077 Glades Pike Rd., Somerset, PA 15501. 10 am - 5 pm. Bring your truck (no trailers, please). \$35 donation goes to Make-A-Wish. Giveaways and trophies. Entertainment, DJ, Food. Movie. For more info contact Jeff Etling @ 724-570-1019.

**July 11-13 - Annual Walcott Truckers Jamboree** - Iowa 80 Truckstop, I-80 Exit 284, Walcott, IA. Super Beauty Truck Show, Antique Truck Display, Trucker Olympics Games, Exhibits, Fireworks, Live Music and much more!! For more information go to <http://iowa80truckstop.com/trucker-jamboree/>

**July 13 - 12th Annual International Motor Truck Gathering** - 92 Industrial Park Rd., Muncy, PA. - All model International trucks - big or small, rusty or restored, from 1907 to present. No registration fee. All makes of trucks welcome. Also will be having an auction. For more info email: [billandsuebs4@gmail.com](mailto:billandsuebs4@gmail.com) or call Lenny @ 272-202-8253.

**July 13 - Tri-State Antique Truck Club Show** - Kenworth of PA, 530 N Center Ave., New Stanton, PA. 10 am-3 pm. All Trucks Welcome! No registration fee. Dash plaques to first 50 trucks. For more info, call 724-557-4467 or Facebook @Tri-State Antique Truck Club.

**July 19-20 - 7th Annual Gear Jammer Magazine Truck Show** - New England Dragway, 280 Exeter Rd., Epping, NH. 03042. Show N Shine, Tractor Pulls, Awards, Live Music. Benefits the Doug Flutie, Jr. Autism Foundation. For more info call Bob @ 508-212-9998 or email: [mttconrad7@aol.com](mailto:mttconrad7@aol.com)

**July 26-27 - Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show**- MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center, 2350 Beach Blvd., Biloxi, MS 39531. Showcases the working truck, supports the transportation industry as well as raising money for the Wounded Warriors Project. The two day event ends with an escorted convoy along the beach displaying the trucks from the Chrome on the Coast Contest! For more info, call 985-630-9171. Email: [pattimccleney@gmail.com](mailto:pattimccleney@gmail.com)

**July 27 - Keystone Chapter ATCA Truck, Tractor, and Machinery Show** - 139 Municipal St., East Freedom, PA. 8 am-5m. Dash Plaques while supplies last. No Judging, No Registration Fee. For more info contact Ken Claar at 814-224-2084 or visit [www.keystonetricks.org](http://www.keystonetricks.org)

**August 2-4 - Carlisle Truck Nationals** - Carlisle, PA Big Rig Show and Shine. Monster Truck Shows, Vendor Midway and Truck Themed Swap Meet, Kids at Carlisle Activity Center. For more info call 717-243-7855 or visit [www.carlisleevents.com](http://www.carlisleevents.com)

**August 2-4 - Kuhnle Motor Sports Canadian Style Truck Uphill Racing** - 8233 Sidley Rd., Thompson, Ohio. For more info, go to [www.kuhnlemotorsports.com](http://www.kuhnlemotorsports.com)

**August 16-17 - Big Rig Truck Show** - Rock Falls Raceway, Eau Claire, WI. Show Trucks, Backwoods Truck Drag Racing, Kids Zone Lego contest, Memorial Light Parade. All trucks are welcome. Free Driver Dinner Friday night. For more info call 715-875-4233 or visit [www.bigtruckshows.com](http://www.bigtruckshows.com)

**August 17 - Trivista Antique Truck Show** - Call Ray for details - 440-570-5859. Trivista Companies, 5751 Cerni Pl, Youngstown, OH 44515. People's Choice Awards, Fun for the whole family, Food. All trucks welcome. Proceeds to benefit charity. <https://www.facebook.com/trivistatruckshow/>

**September 20-22 - Kuhnle Motor Sports Canadian Style Truck Uphill Racing** - 8233 Sidley Rd., Thompson, Ohio. For more info, go to [www.kuhnlemotorsports.com](http://www.kuhnlemotorsports.com)

**October 3-5 - 7th Annual TenFourDC** - National Mall, Washington DC. One of a kind Truck Driver Appreciation Event to promote Professional Commercial Drivers. Bobtails will convoy to the National Mall and be on display. Entertainment, Awards, Prize Drawings, Auctions. Donations will be accepted for charities. For more info call 937-402-0924, email: [tenfourdc@yahoo.com](mailto:tenfourdc@yahoo.com), or visit [www.tenfourdc.org](http://www.tenfourdc.org)

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## Ozarks TravelCenter - Truly One Of A Kind!

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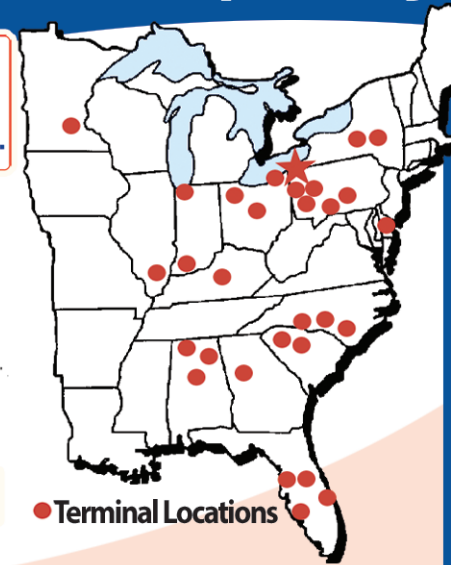
The signature feature of Ozarks TravelCenter is their 66' tall obelisk - built to commemorate the famous Route 66. The obelisk has 4 sides, facing the 4 points of the compass and has the mileage to 37 major cities from the East Coast to the West Coast. It is surrounded by green

space and has picnic tables for their customers enjoyment. There is a RV park and a Dog Park as well.

Brent Wilmoth said that they are a favorite spot for many beautiful trucks from the "717" area code of Central Pennsylvania. Brent and his son Eric are very hands-on owners, when you stop at Ozarks

TravelCenter, their goal is to make sure your visit is a good one. Their obelisk is featured on Roadside America when you search Mt. Vernon, Missouri. The travel center was voted one of the top 10 travel centers in the country on Trucker Path and that was with only 6 months of votes tallied.

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# All-New Volvo VNL Now Available for Order at Dealers Across North America



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to support customers even before the trucks begin to arrive at dealerships. Production will start later this summer with customer deliveries beginning later this year. Demo trucks will start arriving at dealerships in the late summer.

The all-new Volvo VNL is revolutionizing the trucking industry by setting the new standard on all fronts. With cutting-edge technology and engineering, it is establishing a new benchmark in fuel efficiency, adding value to the customer bottom line economically and reducing emissions. Safety features are paramount,

using advanced proprietary systems to protect drivers, pedestrians, and cargo. Connectivity has been enhanced for drivers and fleet managers. Uptime is optimized through the Blue Service contract and connectivity-powered intelligent maintenance. Additionally, with a Volvo service contract, appointments are scheduled in advance with parts ready to get the truck back on the road. The all-new Volvo VNL prioritizes driver well-being and productivity with ergonomic designs and intuitive controls, creating a comfortable

and efficient work environment. The benefit of all these advancements is magnified by an overarching commitment to sustainability, ensuring that progress and performance go hand in hand with environmental responsibility.

Volvo Trucks has revolutionized the spec'ing process with the all-new Volvo VNL, introducing packaging to simplify the experience and drive a higher level of customer value. To explore the all-new Volvo VNL features and trim levels in an interactive way, Volvo Trucks has developed a new, state-of-the-art online configurator for the Volvo VNL. The configurator provides detailed information on the features and benefits of each trim level and cab option, as well as a 360-degree view of the truck interior and exterior. The all-new Volvo VNL is conveniently packaged into four exterior and interior trim levels — Core, Edge, Edge Black and Ultimate — with six cab configurations, each designed to fit customers' preference, brand identity, and operational use. Three cab configurations — the VNL860, VNL840, and VNL300 — are available to order immediately, while the remaining configurations will follow

soon after.

Volvo Trucks is holding immersive dealer and customer launch events throughout the summer at the Volvo Trucks Customer Center in Dublin, Virginia. The Volvo Trucks Customer Center includes a customer experience track, recently expanded to three miles, offering a fully immersive driving experience of the full range of Volvo trucks. Customers can work with their local dealers to walk through the new configurator to design the ideal truck for their fleet then visit the Volvo Trucks Customer Center for an opportunity to experience the all-new Volvo VNL firsthand.

Volvo Trucks has estimated total savings of more than \$20,000 annually per truck with the all-new Volvo VNL, considering fuel efficiency gains, connectivity, safety, and driver retention. This calculation factors in reduced fuel costs attributed to fuel efficiency, as well as increased uptime and reduced maintenance costs due to extended service intervals and intelligent maintenance. Connectivity with remote programing keeps trucks updated, resulting in 24% more uptime than trucks in non-updated fleets. The advanced safety features account for a potentially

significant savings, reducing the chance of both forward and side collisions. Heavy Duty Trucking Magazine in 2023 estimated the value of driver retention as \$9,748 in recruitment and training costs saved.

The sales start for the all-new Volvo VNL is just the beginning of an industry transformation as it is the platform for all future technologies, encompassing future transportation solutions such as battery-electric, fuel cell, and internal combustion engines powered by renewable fuels, including hydrogen. Introducing the first 24-volt electrical infrastructure in the North American trucking industry, along with the introduction of enhanced active safety features in this latest generation Volvo VNL, sets the standard for the future commercialization of fully autonomous trucks. The all-new Volvo VNL is a cornerstone of Volvo Trucks' vision towards achieving zero emissions and zero accidents.

To schedule a visit to the Volvo Trucks Customer Center, contact your local Volvo Trucks dealership or sales representative. To learn more about Volvo Trucks North America and spec your own all-new Volvo VNL, visit the company website at [volvotruck.us](http://volvotruck.us).

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# Investing In America: Brent Spence Bridge Project Marks New Milestone

In a major milestone for the Brent Spence Bridge project between Cincinnati, Ohio, and Covington, Kentucky, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced that the project's sponsors have cleared the

comprehensive environmental review, setting the stage for a groundbreaking in the coming months. \$1.6 billion from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has been invested toward the Brent Spence Bridge, a major transportation corridor that sees over \$1 billion in freight move across it every day. The project will upgrade the existing bridge and build a new additional bridge dedicated to interstate drivers to improve traffic along a critical freight route that runs from Canada to Florida.

The \$1.2 trillion infrastructure law is helping communities in the coming months and years break ground on projects

to rebuild our roads and bridges, improve our ports and airports, partner with states to create a national EV charging network with 500,000 chargers by 2030, deliver clean and safe water, clean up legacy pollution, expand access to high-speed internet, and build a clean energy economy. Through his Investing in America agenda, President Biden is delivering an "Infrastructure Decade" that is unlocking access to economic opportunity, creating good-paying jobs, boosting domestic manufacturing, and growing America's economy from the middle up and bottom out – not the top-down.

## Spreading the Word about Truckers Against Trafficking



**By: Megan Magensky, Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association, Director of Communications**

As more people hit the roads this summer for vacations, there has never been a better time to spread the word about the non-profit organization, Truckers Against Trafficking.

The organization was founded in 2009 and serves a purpose the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association is proud to promote.

According to Truckers Against Trafficking, or TAT, trafficking has been reported in all 50 states, with victims estimated in the hundreds of thousands.

As traffickers keep their victims on the move, they are traveling the same highways and visiting the same truck stops and gas stations as everyone else, creating multiple opportunities for victim identification. Drivers in the trucking industry are uniquely situated to be the eyes and ears that help bring these victims to safety.

TAT stands committed to educate, equip, empower and mobilize members of key industries and agencies to combat human traf-

ficking.

TAT has a variety of free training resources specially designed for companies and drivers including videos, wallet cards, an app and window decals to show drivers what to look for and how to report. TAT also has a certification program, in which drivers review quick and easy training materials the take a short quiz.

The course covers "Trafficking Red Flags to Look For" and provides a variety of examples, like someone with a lack of knowledge of whereabouts or someone who is not in control of their ID or passport, someone with restricted or controlled communication who is not allowed to speak for themselves, someone who is being watched or followed, a van, RV or vehicle with multiple women in a mainly male area that may be dropping women off and picking them up 15-20 minutes later and more.

The training teaches drivers how to approach someone they think may be a victim with specific questions to ask. Then, steps to contact law enforcement with language to describe what they are seeing.

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# MOVIN' OUT Working Show Truck Of The Month

Bill Foose/Foose Transport



**By Robert Conrad**  
 This class '95 KW is a stand out in the Foose Transport fleet, and Bill Foose always makes sure it's looking show ready when he leaves the company yard! Bill multi-tasks at Foose Transport, working both in the office and driving this '95 Kenworth W-900L when the loads dictate. Foose Transport

has been delivering all types of freight across the U.S. & Canada since being founded in 1967 by Bill's father Bill Foose Sr., and Bill Foose has been driving himself since 1990. He says his dad influenced him as a young boy and stepping into the family trucking business was the end result  
 Bill's cool K-Dub has over

925,000 miles on it but it looks brand new, thanks to plenty of "elbow grease". Power comes from a 425 B CAT engine that's paired up with a 6 & 4 transmission. The 303" frame is painted blue to match the cab and the white stripes accent the base color perfectly.  
 Custom features include 6" curved straight pipes, Hogebuilt fenders, polished

air tanks, and a few extra chicken lights! The interior is mostly original, including the carpet, but Bill did add new seats.  
 Bill Foose & his '95 definitely represent Foose Transport & the trucking industry with style & class every time he hits the interstate! He leads us into the Summer months as our June Working Show Truck of the Month.



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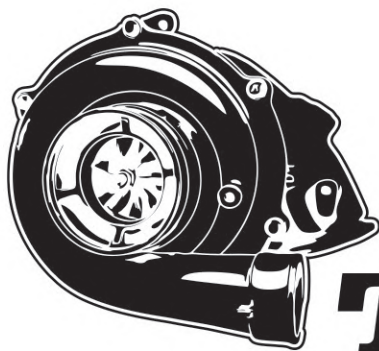
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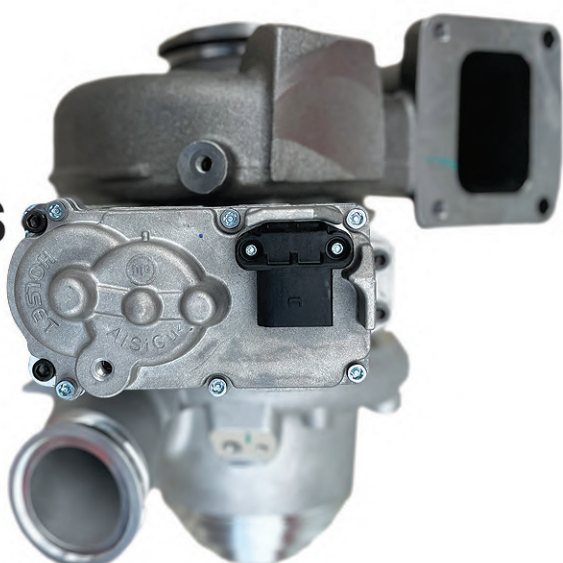
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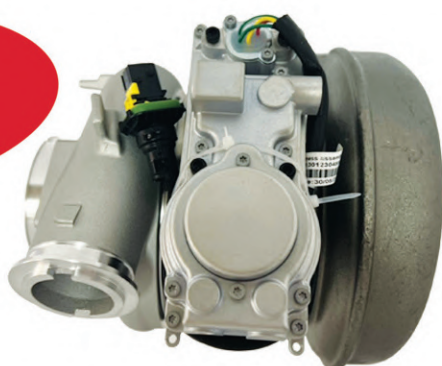
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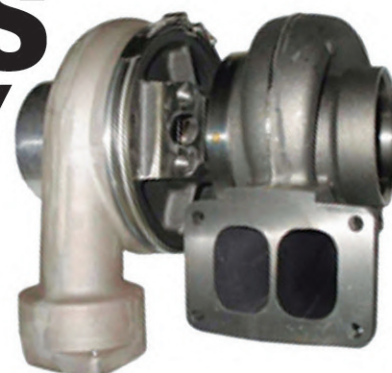
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