

Welcome Charlie Ramsey, Newton Driver Trainee, Liam Stewart, Salina Shop, Waylon Tyler #512P, Kent Dickerson #515P, Lynn Sowell #510P, Lee Allison #154 and Chance Brockett, Salina Warehouse. Glad to have you all as a part of the Big B Crew.



October:

1st Vicki Wiegert
1st Cody Bettin
2nd Gary Verhoeff
2nd Paul Miller
3rd Iris Thomason
7th Wade Buller
10th Bret Walker
19th Don Reimer
20th Brian Hogan
21st Will Russ
21st Steve Leshovsky

Company Anniversaries:

22 yrs. Curt Free
18 yrs. James Miller
14 yrs. Ken Brewer
8 yrs. Rick Gruhlke
8 yrs. Russ Berkland
7 yrs. Joe Brown
6 yrs. Iris Thomason

August & September

No Violation Inspections:

Chantel Holst 8/7/20 SD
Steve Converse 8/18/20 ME
Tom Straight 8/24/20 IL
Steve Hansen 8/28/20 KS
Eric Howerton 8/28/20 KY
Andy McKnight 8/31/20 VA
Joe Brown 9/4/20 IN
Tony Dresher 9/19/20 KS

Violation Inspections:

Ed Maupin 8/23/20 OK
Air leak @ glad-hand, Flat tire.
Earon Lawson 8/25/20 OK
Brake out of adj., Auto-brake adj. malfunction, Flat tire.
Rolando Leon 8/26/20 NY
Brake tubing fabric exposed, Broke shock absorber, Reflective tape missing on mud flap, Service brake tube cut.

Vern Sanow 8/28/20 MN
Speeding 69/60, Brake out of adjustment x 2., Brake adj. malfunction

Brian Camell 9/1/20 WA
Failed to enter shipping #, Failed to enter trailer #, Expired Insurance, Windshield wiper fluid

John Sheckler 9/3/20 KS
Inop. reverse light trk.

Mike Baldwin 9/14/20 TX
Speeding 71/65

Dan Henry 9/7/20 KS
Inop. reverse light trk.

No Violation Winner

This months No-Violation winner is Tom Straight. Please stop in the office to choose your prize. Thank you to all for the clean inspections.



All About Me

Marcus is the safety manager at the Newton terminal and has been with the company for 2 years. In his free time, Marcus enjoys hunting and spending time with his wife and 2 boys. He lives in the country and enjoys the peace and quiet of country life and is always working on projects. He's a big Chiefs and KU fan. Marcus was born in Colorado Springs. His father was in the army and they moved to Germany for 5 years before settling in Kansas. Since high school Marcus has worked for 3 different cabinet companies. He originally got his CDL to make more money and see the country. He was originally hired at Kustom Karriers as a dispatcher. The beginning of this year Marcus took over the safety position at the Newton terminal. He is a great asset to the Newton team and said he looks forward to many more years with DBTI. Thank you Marcus for all your hard work so far and we also look forward to many more years together.



Drivers, Thanks for all you do! As a small token of our appreciation, please stop by a terminal and pick up a gift for another year of hard work and dedication.

Congratulations to David Jendro and his fiancé Casey Southern on the birth of their son Ezra Robert Jendro, born on August 28th in Manhattan, KS, weighing in at 8 lbs. 15 oz. and 21.5 in. long.

Fuel Reefers before dropping

Did you know that you are supposed to fill your reefers fuel before you drop the trailer? You ARE supposed to, but apparently we have some drivers who didn't know this. We do this for a number of reasons, but the biggest reasons are Safety of a load and convenience for the next driver. Also, when dropping a reefer at Schwans in Marshall or Tony's in Salina, you need to top off the reefer before you get there. They charge us an extra \$.50+ per gallon.

Condolences to Vern "Shorty" Sanow on the passing of his brother Jerry Sanow on September 6th in Tracy, MN. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Colorado Chain law

Colorado's chain law is now in effect. If you are going to be traveling in Colorado, make sure you have the proper number and type of tire chains/cables.

Congratulations to the Newlywed's Tim and Gina Bransford. They were united in marriage on August 28th. We wish them many years of happiness.

Vehicle Violations

Has anybody else noticed that our vehicle CSA score has been on the rise? This month 6 of the 7 violation inspection included some type of a vehicle violation. Please make sure to be doing thorough Pre-Trip and Post-Trip inspections. As drivers, you are our most valuable resource to spot problems with our trailers that don't regularly get to our terminals. Also, keep an eye out for something "interesting" that you might find on a trailer in the near future. We are going to be doing something fun that you might find interesting and profitable.... But that is all I am going to say for now....

Reminder from JM...

JM has started putting two straps in all Quiet Flex loads. These are JM's straps, please leave them with Quiet Flex, they will get them back to JM.

Newton Drivers PTO

When it comes to drivers schedules, all drivers need to work with their dispatchers making sure they know when they can work and when they need to be home. However, just because you have told the dispatcher that you need to be home, doesn't automatically mean that you will be paid for your time off. In Newton if you want to be Paid for your Time Off you need to let Deborah know that you want the pay. Since Deborah is the one who will be doing the pay, we are going to have her keep track of the time as well.

Top Netradyne Camera Scores for August

1	Christopher Mitchell	975
2	John Sheckler	965
3	Rick Gruhlke	961
4	Ryan Williams	956
5	Janet/ Dave Vinduska	953
6	Drew Simpson	948
7	LeRoy Busby	945
8	Stephen Leshovsky	943
9	Mitchell Miller	942
10	Michael Fulton	934

Reverse Light?

For some reason, KS has decided to start writing up reverse lights that don't work... including on trucks that are hooked to trailers. When doing your inspections, please make sure to check your reverse light. To do so, set your parking brake, turn your key on, step on your brake, put the truck in reverse and get out and check the light.

From BCBS.....

The Statewide stay-at-home orders in response to the COVID-19 pandemic caused significant disruptions to dental care in April. While most dental practices were available for emergency care, BCBS recognize that preventive and other dental services may have been delayed or canceled. As a response to these challenges, Blue Cross is supporting our members by issuing a return of April 2020 dental premiums. Please look for this reimbursement in coming weeks on your paycheck.

CSA Score (last month)

Unsafe 22 (25) HOS 44 (48)

Crash 65 (58) Vehicle 69 (67)

ISS 60 (40) OPTIONAL (PASS)