

M&M Cartage

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Happy Birthday!

Tracy Stephens - 8/25
Shayneed Scott - 8/25
Wes Coburn - 8/26
Fred Curd - 8/27
Johnny Mingo - 8/29
Jeff Sampson - 8/30
Tyrone Jenkins - 8/31
Deb Lopez - 9/1
Chris Napier - 9/1
Richard Price - 9/1
Andrew Thompson - 9/3
Laura Baird - 9/5
Enrique Pena - 9/5
Andrew McKeown - 9/6
Yaillet Williams - 9/6
Bryan Bivens - 9/6

Happy Anniversary!

Greg Stoneberger 8/24 - 18 years
Matt Connelly 8/24 - 4 years
Jimmy Bronger 8/28 - 1 year
Scotty Jarnigan 8/29 - 8 years
Chris Baxley 8/31 - 10 years
Amanda Lause 8/31 - 9 years
Milton Gray 8/31 - 4 years
Tim Fravel 9/1 - 25 years
Angie Bowyer 9/2 - 10 years
Dan Fallahay 9/4 - 17 years
Josh Cleary 9/5 - 7 years
Joe McGee 9/5 - 1 year
Kory Williams 9/6 - 2 years
Rob Albers 9/6 - 2 years

Clean Inspections!

Richard Larrance - Level III - \$25

ATTENTION ALL DRIVERS AND CDL HOLDERS

If your DOT physical or CDL will be expiring before **October 15, 2024**, make arrangements now to renew! **Remember, you can now make an appointment with our onsite clinic for DOT Physicals!**

Physicals need to be renewed at least 30 days in advance to allow time to get it updated with your state. If you have any questions call Paula at ext. 276. Please keep in mind you can sign up for a pre-DOT physical with the onsite clinic to make sure everything is in order.

Thank you!

PREFERRED FUEL PROVIDER - LOVE'S

Pilot has changed the pricing agreement and reduced discount buy approx. .10 per gallon. Pilot had matched the price of Love's but that no longer is the case.

Quick Fuel in both Cincinnati & Louisville are approx. .55 per gallon higher than Love's.

The M&M discount at Loves is significantly lower than the price listed on pump. This discounted price is lower than all other vendors.

Please utilize Love's Travel Stops.

GEIL LANE TRAILER PARKING

Please do not park trailers outside of the designated trailer spaces. Parking trailers in lanes and in front of other trailers causes unnecessary congestion in the yard and raises the chances of preventable accidents. If you have any questions on where to park equipment, please contact dispatch or the shop. Failure to park trailers in the correct spots will result in the loss of your monthly performance bonus.

BRAKE SAFETY WEEK AUGUST 25-31

Brake Safety Week aims to reduce the number of crashes caused by poorly maintained braking systems on CMVs by conducting roadside mechanical fitness inspections and removing dangerous vehicles from our roadways.

In addition to inspections and enforcement, law enforcement agencies will carry out outreach efforts to educate drivers, mechanics, owner-operators, and others on the importance of proper brake maintenance, operation, and performance. These efforts are integral to the success of the safety initiative.

During Brake Safety Week, inspectors will primarily conduct the North American Standard Level I Inspection, a 37-step procedure that includes an examination of driver operating requirements and vehicle mechanical fitness. The inspections will cover brake system components to identify loose or missing parts; air or hydraulic fluid leaks; defective rotor conditions; measurement of pushrod travel; mismatched air chamber sizes across axles; air reservoir integrity and mounting; worn linings, pads, drums, or rotors; required brake-system warning devices; and other brake-system components. Vehicles with defective or out-of-adjustment brakes will be placed out of service.

Additionally, in the 12 jurisdictions using performance-based brake testing (PBBT) equipment, vehicle braking efficiency will be measured. PBBTs measure the cumulative brake force for the entire vehicle and divide it by the total vehicle weight to determine overall vehicle braking efficiency. The minimum braking efficiency for trucks is 43.5 percent, as required by 393.52 of the U.S. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations and the CVSA North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria.

Brake Safety Week is part of the Operation Airbrake Program, sponsored by CVSA in partnership with the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators and the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND AND DRIVE SAFE! - BASIL

