

THE FIRE LINE

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2014 wishes for 365 days,
8,760 hours, 525,600 minutes
and 31,536,000 seconds, full
of life, of peace, of
happiness, of love and a bit
of madness!

GOOD NEWS BAD NEWS

Depending on one's perspective, what you may read will ring good or bad. This year, Fire Engineering will not be having a Christmas Party at an offsite venue. We have chosen to instead put more emphasis on the Shop Party which will be held on our premises from 12:00 to 3:00, Friday, December 20th. **Prior to that a company meeting will be held from 11:00 to 12:00. Please be on time.**

Going forward, our company will be looking to invest in helping people and or families less fortune than us. Having said that, helping others starts with us as a group deciding who or whom we might serve best. I for one think two options are available: - One, helping individuals and their families that are directly associated with us. Two, helping children and elderly people, as we are able to thru money, education or good old fashion elbow grease. We trust you will bring forth individuals or families in need of something special that we can help with in the coming years.

If so, please contact Bart or myself concerning a situation or matter you feel would warrant our consideration. In the meantime, we will be looking for places, charities and ways to help others in our community on behalf of your company, Fire Engineering Company, Inc.

Kent Mann

HOLIDAY LEAVE PAY

During the Holidays the Company provides 4 hours holiday pay for Christmas Eve Day, 8 hours for Christmas and 8 hours for New Year's Day.

This year the Shop Christmas Party is on Friday December 20th and that Friday will be considered Christmas Eve Day. If employees want either all or part of December 24th off, then you will be expected to take this as vacation pay, personal leave or time without pay.

All employees are encouraged to use leave time to take December 26th and 27th off as well. If you must work however, please schedule those work days with your supervisor in advance.

The company is willing to loan up to 8 hours of leave time to any employee who does not have sufficient leave time accumulated. Please see me or Linda if you have any questions.

Bart Leeftang

*"If you could sum up your life
over the past year, what would
you say?"*

SAFETY WINTER DRIVING

Winter is just around the corner and this requires all of us to take extra steps to stay safe while driving on the roadways. There are things that we can do before we start our trip and during our trip that can make the difference between arriving to your destination safe or not arriving at all.

Tires: Before winter hits make sure that your tires on your vehicle have plenty of tread to get adequate traction.

Vision: Obviously you have to see where you are going to be safe. Replace wiper blades; clean the outside of your windows, by clearing snow and ice etc. Also clean the inside of the windows thoroughly. Make sure washer system works and is full of washer fluid.

Check your Lights. It is harder for us to see and be seen in winter conditions.

Pay Attention! Watch for black ice. If the road looks slick, it probably is.

Remember tough spots. You must remember when icy conditions occur bridges and common places of travel become very slick.

Slow Down! A rule of thumb is to reduce your speed by 50% in snowy conditions. Equally important you should not go too slow. Your vehicle needs momentum to keep moving through snow and grades.

Make frequent stops. Winter driving is much more fatiguing than summer driving. Get out and stretch. It only takes a few minutes to significantly improve your level of alertness.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Brian Hoole	Design Clerk
William Gordon	FS Fitter
Christopher Priddy	FS Apprentice
Matthew Humes	FS Apprentice
Craig Schmidt	FS Apprentice
Tom Hardman	SH Technician
Richard Romero	SH Apprentice
Mike Ball	SH Technician
John Gupta	SH Apprentice
Dusty Rhoads	Warehouse Coordinator

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Axel Robinson	Class 8 Apprentice
Todd Schmidt	Class 6 Apprentice
Josh Weidauer	Class 7 Apprentice
Mike Gress	Underground MSHA
Tom Hardman	Underground MSHA
Brady Molyneux	NICET Level 1

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FIRE ENGINEERING COMPANY SENDS THIS MESSAGE WITHOUT SELFISH

PURPOSE: WE RECOMMEND THAT ALL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS INVESTIGATE AND CHOOSE A WELL-DESIGNED FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEM FROM ANY COMPANY AND HAVE IT PROPERLY INSTALLED. THIS WILL REDUCE FIRE RATES!

CELEBRATION OF THOUGHT & EXPRESSION VACATIONS RENEW LIFE

Travel allows time for reflection and moments of solitude. It clears the film from the eyes and cobwebs from the mind. The best way to see your hometown is in the rear-view mirror because travel is an escape into life. Whether you are looking at an ocean or the mountains, think of their great mysteries. Continue to foster your wonder and curiosity of the world. When you return, you will feel refreshed and exhilarated. Your strength is renewed and your battery re-charged. Vacations, a week-end trip or even a game of golf gives rest and change that can put order into a person's life.

