



August, 2013



Almost Heaven West Virginia!! Just sit back and relax.

— LATEST NEWS & EVENTS —



Handicap Ramp

During June and July the handicap ramp was completed at the corporate office in Cross Lanes, West Virginia. The ramp is over sixty feet in length to maintain a very low gradient for wheelchair use. In addition to handicap use the ramp will be very useful in moving hand trucks or dollies. The ramp has a large unloading apron at the bottom and over sized turn landing on the way up.

All of the company offices, Charleston, Hartville and Zanesville are now handicap accessible and offer safer means in moving equipment.





Kaitlin McConaha and Stephanie Hamilton

West Virginia Oil and Gas Equipment Show

R. L. Laughlin & Co., Inc. took part in the 6th annual West Virginia Oil and Gas Equipment Show on the campus of West Virginia Wesleyan College in Buckhannon, WV. Attendance was down from last year but the show was well attended and informative as always. One highlight this year was the Thomas Dunn Energy and Leadership Academy, created by IOGA, the intent is to give high school students from all over the state a glimpse into the opportunities that await them in the oil and gas industry. Upwards of eighty students participated in the three day academy on Wesleyan College campus which was held in conjunction with the equipment show. Students and instructors visited the show booths and equipment, proving informative for them and encouraging to the show attendees that this interest is present.

Congratulations to IOGA and the Thomas Dunn Academy for this foresight in creating such a tremendous opportunity for these young people.



Misc. equipment on exhibit at the show.



Kaitlin McConaha and Lane Jividen

AGMSC 2013

Appalachian Gas Measurement Short Course (AGMSC) went pink this year, in support of the fight against cancer; supporting Susan G. Komen, National Cancer Institute and The American Cancer Society. The show was August 6th through August 9th at Robert Morris University in Moon Township, PA.

This was the 73rd year for this key industry event and R. L. Laughlin & Co., Inc. is proud to be affiliated with AGMSC, participating in several capacities over the companies 43 years of service to the oil and gas measurement industry. If you missed this year, we look forward to seeing you in 2014!

Each year AGMSC will support a different charitable organization with a donation and recognition at the annual event.

— EMPLOYEES CORNER —

New Hires

Charleston

Joshua Francis attended Ritchie County High School and West Virginia University. He and his wife have two children.

Richard Fraser resides in PA. He likes to hunt, fish and go canoeing. Also, he enjoys playing deck or ice hockey. Most of his time is being spent with his fiancée and their two dogs.



Greg Starcher is originally from Spencer but resides in St. Albans with his wife and two children. He has over seven years of oilfield experience, which were all on a drilling rig.



Brooke Withrow is not a new employee to R. L. Laughlin but she is new to the Charleston Office. Brooke has been working at the Zanesville Office but transferred to Charleston and is working as an Administrative Assistant. During peak times in the month she also helps integrate charts.

Charleston: Summer Interns 2013



Logan Scott

Douglas Cossin

2013 was the first summer for the R. L. Laughlin & Co., Inc. Summer Student Intern Program. Two students were chosen for work and training that included office, shop and field experiences. The program proved very helpful to both the students and company. This was due in part to a tremendous attitude displayed by the students in wanting to learn and willingness to work hard.

This year's students are Doug Cossin and Logan Scott. Doug is a student at West Virginia University; he is a senior majoring in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering. Doug lives in Ripley, WV and enjoys hunting, fishing and plays in a bluegrass band. Logan lives in Gauley Bridge, WV and enjoys hunting, fishing, four-wheeling, hanging out with friends and plays guitar. Logan attends Bridgemont Community and Technical College and is majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS



May Birthdays

MADISON BISSELL 5/02
JOHN STARCHER 5/31

June Birthdays

SCOTT MERASHOFF 6/07
JIM MATTHEWS 6/17
JOSH BUCKLEN 6/21
KATHY JORDAN 6/21
JULIE MARTIN 6/21

July Birthdays

BROOKE WITHROW 7/16
RAMONA POSTELWAIT 7/19
STEPHANIE HAMILTON 7/20

August Birthdays

SCOTT REBROOK 8/01
GREG ANDERSON 8/19
LOU ANNE KENNEDY 8/21
CHRISTINE G ROYER 8/22
BUB HILDEBRAND 8/27
BONNIE BAILEY 8/29
MELISSA ROBERTS 8/30



REMINDER ***(Mark Your Calendar)***

We know it is early, but plans are in the process of being finalized for the 2013 Christmas Party. It will be held at The Embassy Suites on December 20th (which is a Friday.) There will be a buffet and a cash bar. If you are planning to attend and have not yet responded, please contact Stephanie Hamilton at the Charleston Office.

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