

Industry Update on all the topics concerning freight logistics, transportation and some fun things too...

## "Pass the Butter" Self Driving Truck Delivered Butter

California seems to have completed the first commercial freight cross country trip made by a selfdriven truck. The truck finished its trip after 2,800 miles from Tulare to Quakertown, Pennsylvania, for the company Land O'Lakes, in under three days. The 40,000 pounds of butter was delivered at the end of this trip and went smoothly. A safety driver was behind



the wheel, to take control if needed, and alongside the driver was a safety engineer to observe the process. The truck and it's passengers traveled before Thanksgiving and had to take

the scheduled breaks but drove mostly autonomously. After this great milestone, Plus.ai, a company that is only three years old, announced their success. The self driving truck was able to "Pass the Butter".

### Truck Driver Shortage

Many companies are experiencing the "truck driver shortage" and struggling to find qualified truck drivers in the United States. One factor in the truck driver shortage is to replace a large number of older and retiring truckers. Many ask how can the "truck driver shortage" be resolved? In this decade with the truck driver shortage some may ask: how to make better use of existing truck drivers, are drivers getting the most out of their miles, and ensure drivers will earn enough money to keep them driving behind the wheel. The truck driver industry has struggled to attract diverse groups in the workforce and has a small percentage of women in the industry today. Although there has been steady growth since 2010 by 23% over the previous eight years in the truck driver population, will it be enough to keep up with current and growing supply chain demands?



**Mission Statement** "We will be the staff our clients require to reach goals and achieve their vision."

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## **FMI** Newsletter

## Focus on The Client - Clayton Industries



Since their beginning on October 20, 1930, Clayton Industries been leading the manufacturer of equipment for industrial process steam generation. Clayton Industries unique designs offer many operational advantages compared to conventional boilers. Clayton Industries uses today's highefficiency energy technology in their controlled systems which makes them the favorite choice in today's high energy efficiency markets. Their fired boilers and unfired waste heat boilers use special controlled circulation and counter-flow design that separates them from other industrial boilers. Clayton Industries corporate headquarters is located in the City of Industry, CA. They have major industrial steam boiler facilities located in the United States, Mexico, and Belgium to help serve various markets worldwide. The direct Sales and Service team are carefully selected and have indepth training with distributors in several countries around the world. Clayton Industries provides its customers dependable and highly efficient compact steam generating systems. The benefits included in their unique steam generators are higher fuel efficiency, rapid startup, and load response, lower blowdown rates, reduced space requirements, and inherent higher level of operator safety, and higher quality steam output. For more information about Clayton Industries or their steam boilers and steam generators go to: https://www.claytonindustries.com

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## Me, Myself & I— Victoria Herrera

Name - Victoria Herrera Which department do you work in? - Data Entry Where did you grow up? - Santa Ana, CA Where do you live currently? -Cypress, CA What are your hobbies? -Photography and anything art related with my friends. What are your favorite music, artist, and or band? - I listen to a lot of Rock/ Punk rock music. What is your favorite color? -Purple Do you have a lucky number? - 3 What is your favorite animal? -Tiger What is your favorite food? Pasta

How did you get into the freight business? - I was interested in learning something completely



different from what I was used to.

- Do you have any hidden talents? - I can play Fur Elise on the piano, although I can't promise its good, LOL
- If you describe yourself in one word what would that be? - Patient
- Do you have any words of wisdom or mantras you live by? - Hope for the best and plan for the worst.
- Is there a moment in time you wish you could revisit? Which? - October 28th, 2017, I hiked the Sequoia forest trails with a couple of my friends and my fiancé. Close to sunset

at the top of Moro Rock, my fiancé proposed to me. The entire day was amazing and memorable.

If you could live anywhere in the world where would that be? - Oregon, in a spot surrounded by trees.

What is your favorite ice cream flavor? - Cookies & Cream

What is the perfect pizza topping? -Pepperoni and jalapenos

Who is your hero? -My Mom

- Do you know any good jokes? - Why do ghosts like taking the elevator? Because it lifts their spirit.
- If you could retire tomorrow, what would you do? -Open a studio to do more photography.



# New Year's Day & Valentine's Fun Facts



- Did you know January is named after Janus from ancient Roman religion and myth, the god with two faces, one looking forward and one looking back?
- Did you know in Italy people wear red underwear on New Year's Day for good luck all year long?
- Did you know Times Square New Year's Eve Ball was first dropped in 1907?
- Did you know the average man spends approximately \$130 on Valentine's Day?
- Did you know that teachers receive the most cards on Valentine's Day?
- Did you know that it is estimated that the United States alone will spend about 3.3 billion dollars on flowers on Valentine's Day?





# Happy Anniversary FMI Employees

If you have any articles you'd like to submit, please contact Jackie Muro.

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# FMI Challenge Winners

**Answer**: 12 Months

Congratulations:

Bryan Hicks-TransGroup

Dee Murphy-Dot Line Transportation Nhi Do-FMI

#### Take the FMI Challenge

Answer the following riddle: What is full of holes, but can still hold water in it?

Fax or email answers and address to 714-632-7221 or frontoffice@freightmgmt.com to collect your prize. Winners will be announced bimonthly. Cindy Saucedo-22 years Dwayne Phillips-19 years Heidi Calamusa-20 years Jack Farley-22 years Bob Walters-23 years Vianey Hernandez-12 years



## December, January, & February Birthdays

Angela Shackford-12/4 Dwayne Phillips-2/2

Lourdes Flavia-12/6 Kim Ferguson-2/11

Connor Ladd-12/9

Heidi Calamusa-12/31

Cindy Saucedo-1/11

Aimee Cordova-1/19

Yvette Garcia-1/19



Fun Health Tip: Next time you are feeling stressed, try walking outside. Spending time in a green space and walking around can help reduce negative thoughts, and help boost your self-esteem. Other tips to relieve stress, try chewing gum or reading a book. Reading a book can lower levels of cortisol, and other unhealthy hormones by approximately 67%. So let's get more outdoor walking and reading to improve our health and reduce stress.



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