



The Monthly Miler

January 2022

Birthdays to Celebrate!

Alberto Correcher
NJ Driver
January 4

Gene Stotler
PA Driver
January 20

Patrick Fortenberry
PA Driver
January 4

Quantas Williams
IL Driver
January 5

Anniversaries to Celebrate!

Rick Patire
3 Years
PA Driver
January 29

Gene Stotler
2 Years
PA Driver
January 27

FROM THE DESK OF MARK YIN



Hello and Happy New Year!

2021 was an exciting year for DRT Logistics. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your efforts to get to where we are today. It wasn't easy, but we did it, and for that, you should all be proud! As we move into 2022, and myself into the new position, we will be looking at the strategic evaluation of our current markets, propose plans to position ourselves better in those markets and execute on the partnerships developed to deliver solutions to our customers. DRT will be ensuring the development and implementation of more efficient operations to meet the current and future needs of our organization.

I wish everyone a great start to your New Year!

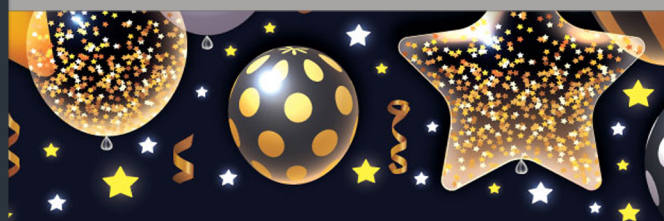
Mark Yin
-VP of Corporate Strategy



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is looking for
customer-oriented,
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Winter Weather Driving Reminder

Winter Weather Driving Tips

1. Carry proper supplies

Truck drivers should make sure they have cold weather essentials on hand. These include:

extra clothing layers
gloves
flashlight
rain gear
windshield fluid
blankets
bag of sand or salt
tire chains
jumper cables
snow scrapers and brushes

2. Slow Down

The slower you drive, the more time you have to react. Hydroplaning is also caused by going too fast. Avoid winter accidents by watching your speed.

3. Keep A Firm Grip On The Wheel

Grip the steering wheel firmly to maintain control. Keep both hands on the wheel at all times to guide the vehicle through snow and ice.

4. Allow Safe Space

In the winter, truck drivers should increase their following distance. Be sure you have more than enough space to stop and maneuver in unexpected traffic situations.

5. Watch Out For Bridges

Bridges, highway overpasses, and other elevated surfaces freeze faster than the regular road. They also may not be salted. Use caution when approaching bridges to avoid spinning out of control on black ice.

6. Avoid Black Ice

Black Ice is not just found on bridges. It is a layer of transparent ice that makes the road look wet. Drivers can spot black ice when the spray from other vehicles stops. You can also watch for frost on your truck antennae and mirrors.

7. Brake Slowly

In winter, accelerate and brake slowly. If the truck is not equipped with an ABS braking system, lightly pump the brakes when you need to slow down.

8. Check Twice

When visibility is compromised in a whiteout blizzard, it can be difficult to see traffic lights and signs. Make sure you look twice before proceeding through an intersection or turning down a one-way street.

Always remember, a good truck driver shuts down when there is too much ice, snow, or driving winds.

MEET YOUR TEAM



Alicia Collins, Compliance Manager
Hometown: Lebanon, PA

Interests: Football, I'm a huge Minnesota Vikings fan!!! Skol!! I also love spending time with my family, making memories.

Favorite Food: Seafood

Favorite Band/Artist: Don't know that I have just one favorite but I love Country music!

One place I would love to travel to: Hawaii



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Top News From 2021 from TTNews

OFFICIALS CALL \$202,000 TOWING BILL A TEXTBOOK EXAMPLE OF A SCAM

A Wisconsin motor carrier got a big surprise when one of its tractor-trailers hauling a truckload of cheese had to be pulled from a ditch on I-64 in central Virginia: A \$202,000 removal and towing bill.

"We all fell off our chairs," said Eric Van Handel, the president of Kaukauna, Wis.-based Midwest Carriers, when he saw the bill. He immediately suspected he was being overcharged for a removal and towing that he claimed was pretty routine. He keeps a copy of the Aug. 23, 2020, invoice on his office bulletin board to amuse his visitors.

"They can't believe it," Van Handel told Transport Topics.

Jennifer Wieroniey, executive director of American Trucking Associations' National Accounting & Finance Council, called the invoice a textbook example of an outrageous charge for "just a simple tow." The NAFC is collecting information from its members on predatory towing billing and plans to seek legislation to stop the unscrupulous practice.

DESPITE SUPPLY ISSUES AND OMICRON, HOLIDAY SALES RISE 8.5%

Holiday sales rose at the fastest pace in 17 years, even as shoppers grappled with higher prices, product shortages and a raging new COVID-19 variant in the last few weeks of the season, according to one spending measure.

Mastercard SpendingPulse, which tracks all kinds of payments including cash and debit cards, reported Dec. 26 that holiday sales had risen 8.5% from a year earlier. Mastercard SpendingPulse had expected an 8.8% increase.

The results, which covered Nov. 1 through Dec. 24, were fueled by purchases of clothing and jewelry.

Supply Chain Stories

Holiday sales were up 10.7% compared with the pre-pandemic 2019 holiday period.

By category, clothing rose 47%, jewelry 32%, electronics 16%. Online sales were up 11% from a year ago and 61% from 2019. Department stores registered a 21% increase over 2020.

After omicron hit, some consumers stayed home and shifted their spending to e-commerce, but sales stayed strong. "I feel really good about how the season played out," said Steve Sadove, senior adviser to Mastercard and former CEO of Saks Inc. "When people feel a little bit uncomfortable, you'll see a little bit of a pickup in online and a little bit of a slowdown in store performance."

USDOT GIVES \$241 MILLION TO PORTS TO BOOST SUPPLY CHAIN

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg is awarding more than \$241 million in grants to bolster U.S. ports, part of the Biden administration's near-term plan to address America's clogged supply chain with infrastructure improvements to speed the flow of goods.

The transportation money is being made available immediately to 25 projects in 19 states.

Next year, the amount of money for port improvements will nearly double to \$450 million in grants annually for five years under President Joe Biden's new infrastructure law.

"U.S. maritime ports play a critical role in our supply chains," Buttigieg said with the Dec. 23 announcement. "These investments in our nation's ports will help support American jobs, efficient and resilient operations and faster delivery of goods to the American people."



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Did You Know?

The George Washington Bridge is the most traveled bridge in the United States. This bridge connects Fort Lee, New Jersey, to Manhattan, New York. In 2015, it saw about 100 million vehicles. Not only is it the most traveled bridge in the United States, but it is also the most traveled bridge in the world.

In 1902, the world's first speeding ticket was issued.
The driver was traveling at 45 miles per hour.

There are 4.09 million miles of roads in the United States. This includes roads in Hawaii and Alaska. About 72 percent of these roadways are in rural areas. Over a third of all roadways in the United States are not paved

Covid Update Reminder

EFFECTIVE AS OF 11/29/21

- Face masks must be worn any time you are not seated at a desk in the offices.
- A mask must be worn by everyone if you are gathering in the conference room for a meeting.
- No visitors allowed in the office unless they are servicing equipment or supplies for the office, and they must wear a mask.
- Always wash hands with hot soapy water.

We have a responsibility to be personally responsible for ourselves, our families and our co-workers. Part of this responsibility is making sure that we do not put ourselves in a position of having a negative impact on anyone else. Be aware of your actions and take personal responsibility. If you are not feeling well, speak to your supervisor.

Topics welcomed!

If you would like to see a topic discussed in the newsletter that will bring value to the other drivers and the company please submit to

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