

The Distributor

Smokey Point Distributing, Inc.

Happy Birthday

“The great use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it.”
~ William James

❖ Rondeau, Terese	Oct 01st
❖ Roth, Terry	Oct 02nd
❖ Hoelzel, Brian	Oct 05th
❖ Thompson, Michael	Oct 05th
❖ Goodin, John	Oct 06th
❖ Paice, Dick	Oct 08th
❖ Crain, Albert	Oct 10th
❖ Lawson, Kenneth	Oct 12th
❖ Macho-Dale, Mirela	Oct 12th
❖ Michl, Clifford	Oct 12th
❖ Elliott, Dolores	Oct 16th
❖ Shore, Perry	Oct 18th
❖ Colestock, Kevin	Oct 21th
❖ Heidel, Colette	Oct 25th
❖ Osborne, Nolan	Oct 25th
❖ Stover, Justin	Oct 25th
❖ Montez, Simone	Oct 26th
❖ Brock, Sheldon	Oct 27th
❖ Dewey Jr., Dave	Oct 27th
❖ Davis, Robert	Oct 28th
❖ Mansfield, Donald	Oct 29th
❖ Lacasse, Adrian	Oct 30th
❖ Kasper, Ty	Oct 30th
❖ Wilson, William	Oct 31th
❖ Watson, Jim	Oct 31th

Happy Anniversary

“You must do the things you think you cannot do”. ~ Eleanor Roosevelt

❖ Dotson, Richard	01 Yr	Oct 24th
❖ Foss, Kimberly	01 Yr	Oct 09th
❖ Houghton, David	01 Yr	Oct 09th
❖ Rogillio, Gerold	01 Yr	Oct 09th
❖ Beaumont, Nigel	02 Yrs	Oct 08th
❖ Blakeley, Jason	02 Yrs	Oct 03rd
❖ Koder, Terry	02 Yrs	Oct 07th
❖ Ricketts, Daniel	02 Yrs	Oct 07th
❖ Robarge, Leslie	02 Yrs	Oct 07th
❖ Tyler, Robert (RT)	02 Yrs	Oct 23rd
❖ Yant, Makenzie	02 Yrs	Oct 09th
❖ Eckenrode-Tidwell, Lisa	02 Yrs	Oct 07th
❖ Wong, Todd	02 Yrs	Oct 14th
❖ Echols, Teena	03 Yrs	Oct 04th
❖ Hall, Tad	03 Yrs	Oct 04th
❖ Matthews, Erik	03 Yrs	Oct 26th
❖ Goodin, John	03 Yrs	Oct 24th
❖ Moore, Robert	05 Yrs	Oct 08th
❖ Rodriguez, Bobby	05 Yrs	Oct 08th
❖ Beltran, Joaquin	07 Yrs	Oct 03rd
❖ Zondlo, Chris	08 Yrs	Oct 23rd
❖ Gaimster, George	11 Yrs	Oct 20th
❖ Dietrich, Derek	14 Yrs	Oct 08th
❖ Fuller, Troy	15 Yrs	Oct 09th
❖ Thompson, Tom	19 Yrs	Oct 19th

September Leaderboard

From points awarded to account in August

Rank	Driver	Total Earned Points
1	Russ Wallace	36,700
2	Shannon Crites	30,000
3	Scott Meredith	29,500
4	Les Buttram	29,000
5	Lee Facklam	27,700
6	Bonnie Kent	27,500
7	Wendy Facklam	26,900
8	Rick Terletter	25,000
9	Eric Wendt	20,000
9	Jennifer Herd	20,000
9	Kriss Erzen	20,000
9	Pamela Wendt	20,000

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease. While most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages and encourage others to do the same. We have made a lot of progress but still have a long way to go!



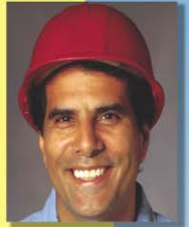
WHY FOCUS ON BREAST CANCER?

- It is estimated that 1 in 8, or 13%, of U.S. women will develop breast cancer.
- Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among American women. The only cancer that kills more women is lung cancer.
- Earlier detection, increased awareness and better treatment continue to lower death rates from breast cancer.
- Breast cancer afflicts men as well, although the number of cases is small.
- Mammograms are cost-effective interventions. Having one every two years extends life for women aged 65 years or older at a cost of about \$36,924 per year of life saved.
- Successful treatment begins with the right screening. Which type of screening, at what age to begin and with what frequency are questions every woman should ask her doctor based on her personal health and family history. The United States Preventive Services Task Force recommends that women aged 50 to 74 have a mammogram screening every two years.



These routine exams won't interrupt your routine...
...unless you don't go.

- ✓ healthy newborn exam
- ✓ annual prostate exam
- ✓ annual mammogram
- ✓ annual Pap smear
- ✓ well child exams
- ✓ immunizations
- ✓ colorectal cancer screening



In-network routine exams are covered at 100% with no deductible or copay. Out-of-network routine exams may be subject to the deductible and coinsurance.



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10 Things You Didn't Know About Semi Trucks

1. There are about 5.6 million semi-trailers registered for use in the U.S., almost three times the number of semi-trucks. It was the trailer that gave rise to the name semi-truck. Since the trailer has no front wheels and can be used only when connected to the tractor part of the truck, it's called a semi-trailer. The terms "semi" and "semi-truck" evolved from that.
2. One-third of all of the 1,900,000 semi-trucks operating in the U.S. are registered in California, Florida, and Texas. There are 3.2 million truck drivers in the U.S., however. About 90 percent of trucking companies and owner-operators have fewer than six trucks.
3. On average, semi-trucks drive about 140 billion miles a year in the U.S. (as of 2006). Sixty-eight percent of all goods in the U.S. are delivered by semi-truck. That works out to about 60,000 pounds per American every year, although the two largest commodities by weight are agricultural and building materials.
4. Semi-trucks make up just 15 percent of commercial trucks in the U.S., yet they travel 42 percent of all miles covered by commercial trucks. Large commercial trucks covered about a quarter of a trillion miles in 2006, while total vehicles miles were about 3 trillion.
5. In 1973, the feds estimated that semis got about 5.6 miles per gallon of diesel; today's estimate is 6.5 mpg, although different trucks get fuel economy in a range from 4 to 8. Going up a steep hill, a truck's mileage might drop to about 2.9 mpg, while going down the same hill will raise it to more than 23 mpg. New fuel-economy standards that took effect beginning in 2014 require semi-trucks with a sleeper cab to get 7.2 mpg on level roads.
6. The maximum weight for a U.S. semi-truck and full trailer is 80,000 spread over 18 conventional wheels. Out in the wide-open spaces of Australia, however, "road trains" can have four trailers and weight in excess of 300,000 pounds.

7. How much does it take to move a fully loaded semi and trailer? A Detroit Diesel DD15 14.8-liter inline six-cylinder engine weighs 2880 pounds or 345 pounds more than a Mini Cooper. This colossal power plant makes up to 560 hp and 1850 lb-ft of torque. Most turbocharged diesel engines put out between 1200 and 2050 lb-ft to keep all that weight moving.

8. Sam Peckinpah's *Convoy* grossed about \$15 million in 1978, when it came out. Not bad -- though that year's top-grossing movie, *Animal House*, made \$141 million. In December 1975, the song "Convoy," on which the movie was loosely based, was the No. 1 song in the U.S. for a week, written and sung by award-winning ad man Bill Fries under the name C.W. McCall, a character he created to promote an Iowa bakery.

9. The top-selling brand of semi-truck is Freightliner; it sells about a third of the 190,000 new semis sold annually. Freightliner is owned by Daimler Trucks North America, which also owns the Western Star brand. Second most popular is Navistar International, followed by PACCAR, which owns the Peterbilt and Kenworth brands. Fourth is Volvo, which also owns the Mack brand.

10. Antilock brakes on semi-trucks have been required since 1997, which has significantly reduced the number of jackknife crashes, which happens when the rear wheels of the truck lock up and trailer swings around to an acute angle with the truck. Today, the most dangerous semi accidents are rollovers. Federal highway investigators say that these happen when a semi-truck goes onto a loose surface and the driver overcorrects while trying to steer it back onto pavement.



Leaders of the Road!

The following lists the SPD Drivers with **Exceptional & Perfect Logs and no CSA Violations:** No form and manner problems, no fueling errors, and complete and legible billing paperwork submitted within 48 hours of delivery. Keep up the awesome work.

Alvarez, Jose	Baldwin, George	Bales, David	Bales, Judith
Barba, Victor	Battoe, Michael	Beltran, Joaquin	Benjamin, Jeff
Blakeley, Deborah	Bohren, Donald	Brock, Thomas	Bullard, Herbert
Carsner, Robin	Carsner, Rodney	Chelius, Thomas	Clark, Richard
Colestock, Kevin	Cortez, Ramon	Crites, Shannon	Cser, Sanford
Cummins, Robert	Cummins, Sandra	Currier, Tony	Daebelliehn, John
Davenport, Steven	Davis, Robert	Dean, Jim	Deas, Thomas
Denser, Tom	Derusha, Donald	Devaney, Thomas	Dewey, Chris
Dewey, Dave	Dill, Jesse	Dotson, Richard	Douglas, Randy
Echols, Teena	Elliott, Dolores	Elliott, Steve	Erzen, Daryl
Erzen, Kriss	Facklam, Lloyd	Facklam, Wendy	Fitzgerald, Kyle
Foss, Kimberly	Foss, Randy	Funderburg, David	Gaimster, George
Galvan, Jimmy	Garcia, Ron	Gates, Bridgit	Geringswald, Evelyn
Geringswald, Robert	Green, Donald	Green, Mike	Green, Sheryl
Hall, Jeannette	Hall, Tad	Hearn, Albert	Heath, Cary
Heath, Laura	Heidel, Colette	Henthorn, Paul	Herd, Jennifer
Herd, William	Herron, Nate	Holden, Rondalyn	Hollis, Eric
Hopkins, James	Houghton, David	Howland, Steven	Hubbard, Steven
Hurst, Mia	Hurst, Steven	Jagger, Nicholas	Jamar, Hollis
Jefferson, Andre	Jones, Richard	Jordan, Willis	Juern, Carl
Justice, Douglas	Kelley, Scott	King, Aaron	Kirk, Hillary
Kirk, Kelley	Koder, Terry	Kramer, Gary	Lacasse, Adrian
LaCasse, Lisa	Lamar, Savannah	Larson, Douglas	Larson, Ray
Lawson, Kenneth	Lee, Gerard	Legare, Felix	Legare, Helen
Leidal, Dan	Lynch, Velvin	Lyons, William	Macho, Mirela
Macho, Richard	Mansfield, Donald	Marshall, Paul	Martin, Dwayne
Matthews, Erik	Mcatee, Frank	Mccolgin, Ricky	McCrary, Rickey
Meredith, Earl	Michl, Clifford	Miller, Dave	Moore, Robert
Morris, Justin	Morrow, Elizabeth	Morrow, Richard	Murillo, Dennis
Neu, Jeff	Nichols, Arlene	Northrup, Clyde	Osborne, Nolan
Patoine, Eric	Pena III, Carlos	Perry, Jan	Perry, Jeremy
Perry, Virgil	Phelps, James	Pilon, Mitchell	Presley, James
Prosperi, Joseph	Rahman, Harold	Rahman, Kathie	Reese, James

Leader of the Road continued:

Robarge, Leslie	Robertson, Kelly	Rodriguez, Bobby	Rogillio, Gerald
Romero, Rick	Roth, Terry	Salyer, Jess	Schmitt, Ronda
Shepley, April	Shore, Perry	Short, Robert	Slick, Cynthia
Slick, Dennis	Smith, Dawn	Solano, Kim Oliver	Sprague, James
Sprague, Leann	Stover, Justin	Stroud, Micah	Terflinger, David
Terletter, Richard	Terpenning, Leslie	Thomas, Poullette	Thomas, Terry
Thompson, James	Thompson, Michael	Thompson, Tom	Torgerson, Donn
Tow, Brian	Turner, Martha	Tyler, Robert RT	Wallace, Russ
Warr, Howard	Warr, Linda	Warren, Willie	Watson, Gene
Webb, Cricket	Webb, Larry	Weber, Joseph	Wendt, Eric
Wendt, Pamela	Wert, Archie	White, Cindy	White, Lenny
White, Randy	Wilson, John	Wilson, William	Winston, Keith
Winters, Josephe	Young, Larry	Zapfe, Edward	Zenger, Tim

Thanks to each Driver for doing a **Superb Job!** We hope as time goes on this list will continue to grow. We look forward to adding your name to this list!

Each month we will post a list of SPD Drivers with great logs and no CSA Violations. Please remember to turn in your Trip Packs within 48 hours of delivery, in a complete and legible manner with all billing documents.

Addition to Shop Family Baby Ryelynn Orcutt

We are pleased to announce the birth of beautiful Ryelynn Orcutt!

The Shop was on pins and needles waiting for word from Josh Orcutt, Mechanic, and got word at 6pm that Ryelynn arrived healthy weighing in at 7.67lbs, 19.25 in.

Josh, and his wife Heidi, welcomed their new baby girl, Ryelynn to their family on Thursday, Sept 24, 2015. Mom, dad and baby are doing well...a little tired but so very happy!



SPD in Pictures



This is a clip from a professional photo shoot for the Daseke Company.



Our Hurricane Joaquin



Scott Meredith backs his truck into a plane.



Latest shot of the construction taking place at the new building.