



C & B Newsletter

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Thanksgiving

Much to be Thankful For

Rob Carlisle

President

I wanted to take the opportunity of this Thanksgiving Holiday to thank everyone at C & B for all of their efforts to make us great! We've had a wonderful year and are looking forward to the coming year, especially the new editions to our fleet. The professionalism of everyone on the boats, cleaning operations, and service departments are noticed and greatly appreciated. Let this holiday and the coming holiday season remind us all to be thankful for our family and friends, at home and here at C & B. Thank you all!

**Happy
Thanksgiving!**

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Lazy Bench

Bamboozled

Greg Schabell

Safety Coordinator

In the days of yore, when ships did not have AIS or radar, the only way to identify a vessel or its nationality was by the flag the vessel raised from their mast. That flag immediately and faithfully revealed whether one was friend or foe, man of war or commercial vessel. There was no need to run away or fear a harmless fishing boat or vessel from an ally. Eventually, the less trustworthy members of the maritime world saw an opportunity. One trick used by pirates was to fly a less threatening logo. Once close enough to determine whether a vessel would be an easy mark that may have a profitable bounty, these pirates would raise their trusty flag – whatever version of skull and crossbones they used – and commence the takeover of the unsuspecting vessel. The legitimate world eventually saw the value in the scurvy tactic, leading to gents from Britain's navy dressing like ladies to lull German U-boats from their safe depths and within reach of their guns. I employed a similar ruse while backpacking across Europe sporting a Canadian flag on my luggage...because nobody fears the Canadians in their mist.

The next time you experience the latest version of a bait-and-switch tactic, know that pirates originated the scam and they called it being – “bamboozled!!!”





Jimmy Ingram

16 Years of Dedication

Ed Lapikas

General Manager

We would like to congratulate Jimmy Ingram on his sixteenth year at C&B Marine. Jimmy started as a deckhand with GCM then progressed to the pilot position. Jimmy is a real asset to our team. He is knowledgeable with all C&B locations, and can be counted on to work extra hours and help out as needed. Thank you Jimmy for your diligence and hard work! We look forward to many more years of working together.



Team Work

Christine B and James H

Willie Terrell

Stuart/Killen Manager

On 11/13, Wednesday night the Christine B assisted the James H drop 2 limestone loads into the fleet here at Stuart. The James H continued on up to Killen and upon returning to Stuart, the Christine B assisted the James H build his southbound tow to minimize fleet time and to continue south. A special thanks to Cpt. Don Brown, Will Brooks, and Ian Gulley on the Christine B. It is important to remember that everyone and every vessel is part of the same C & B team, and we all need to work together for operations to go smoothly!

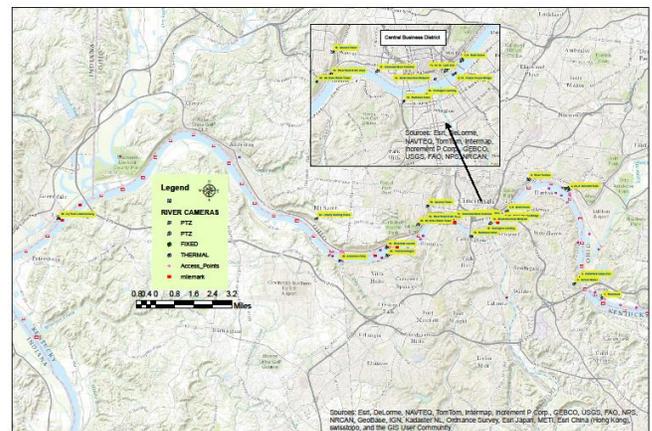
Cincinnati Live Cam

Behave Like You're Always Being Watched

Greg Schabell

Safety Coordinator

If you're located in or pass through the area shown in the map below, then you are being watched right now. Live feed continuously streams from remote locations along the river to a data hub. This is a wonderful tool in securing the area against terrorism and effectively responding to major incidents. We were excited to hear about these capabilities and offer C & B's participation in the efforts to protect the river while attending recent AMSC (Area Maritime Security Committee) and ORCA (Ohio River Cooperating Agencies) meetings. Please see the picture they offered of the William B in the Photo Gallery below to see how effective the technology is and how useful it can be in the case of an incident. Whether inside or outside this monitored zone, we always need to be acting safe and professional – like we're always being watched.



Seamen's Church

Using Our Resources (Continued)

Greg Schabell

Safety Coordinator

You do NOT need to memorize the RCP Manual, Rules of the Road, Vessel Security Plan or other resource materials. You need to be able USE those materials. When you're asked about a subject, refer to it and pull out that resource. The USCG recently inspected some of our vessel's security plans. They want to see you use that book and that you know how to use it. They want to see you look up the definition and the page that addresses the subject asked. Be confident in your knowledge and training! Use the resources that you're provided.



Silver Grove

Randall Lapikas

Greg Schabell

Safety Coordinator

C&B would like to announce Randall Lapikas has been promoted to supervisor at our Silver Grove facility. Randall started with GCM in 2004 as a deckhand, and was awarded the pilot position in 2010. His most recent assignment has been at the Tanners Creek location, where he excelled and showed great leadership. We feel he will be a great asset to the Silver Grove team. Please join us in congratulating him on his new position!

I would also like to point out that Randall recently lost 90 pounds. If you recall a few issues ago, Jimmy Conley was noted for his weight loss. It is important that we stay healthy in order to stay alert during long shifts. Eat a balanced diet and get regular exercise. Set an example to your fellow workers with your skill sets and good health.

Before

After



Service Department

John Rudisell

Jason Dew

Maintenance Coordinator

I will be leaving to pursue an opportunity as HR Director at an assisted care center. John Rudisell will be the new Maintenance Coordinator for C & B. John has decades of experience in the US Navy and will bring a unique background to the Service Department. I am very thankful for all of the opportunities and years of employment at C & B. Thank you to Roger, Richard, Brandon and Tommy for all their help. Please give John all of the great assistance that you gave me. Thank you all at C & B.

Service Department

Greetings

John Rudisell

Maintenance Coordinator

I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is John Rudisell (Rudy). I am an Indiana boy (Bear Branch) who has spent the last 18 years with the US Navy working as a Pilot Rescue Swimmer, Soviet Intelligence Officer and, most recently, as the Midwest Regional Funeral Honors Coordinator. After working on the Ghent cleaning rig for a short time I, have assumed the duties and responsibilities of the C/B Maintenance Coordinator. I can be reached at 513-615-0046 for all of your maintenance needs. I am sure that I speak for the entire C/B family when I say "Fair Winds and Following seas to Jason Drew and his Family".

Safety Tip

Cold Weather

Chad Bray

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When exposed to cold temperatures, your body begins to lose heat faster than it can be produced, which can lead to frostbite and, in extreme cases, hypothermia. To ward this off, we need to dress warmly, layer up (the air between layers provides thermal protection), wear dry clothing and attempt to reduce the time exposed to wind. Try not to have any skin exposed, which means you may want to wear a face mask/balaclava (I know you hunters have them). If, during the course of refueling one of our pumps (or even your own vehicle), you should get gasoline on you, you need to clean it off IMMEDIATELY. Gasoline evaporates very quickly, lowering the temperature of the skin and making it more susceptible to frostbite.

Nothing new here guys – just a reminder. Think about what you're doing, do what you're thinking about.

Quote of the Month

"The thankful receiver bears a plentiful harvest."

William Blake

Andy Cannava celebrates 65th birthday



Close up of William B from Cincinnati camera



Griffin C



Papa Fred with GM1002



JL Braden

Stuart Cleaning





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BIRTHDAYS

1-Dec	Westrick, Bobby W
12-Dec	Westrich, David F
17-Dec	Earles, Donald A
22-Dec	Monroe, Anthony W
25-Dec	Raines, Anthony
26-Dec	Raines, Terence M
27-Dec	Cox, Frank E
29-Dec	Raines, Terry L

ANNIVERSARIES

4-Dec	2012	Francis, Nathaniel
5-Dec	2011	Longfellow, Roger D
9-Dec	2010	Betner, Christopher K
14-Dec	2000	Jones, Donald G
20-Dec	2012	Thompson, Ryan

BIRTHDAYS

1-Nov	Jackson, Jeremiah R.
8-Nov	Griffith, Richard
11-Nov	Bray, Chad W
11-Nov	Inman, Jason L
14-Nov	Harmon, Jeffrey K
26-Nov	Wessell, Marvin H
30-Nov	Fricke, Scott A

ANNIVERSARIES

1-Nov	1999	Smith, Jason W
1-Nov	2010	Emerson, Jeffrey D
1-Nov	2010	Yauch, Daniel J
9-Nov	2004	Lapikas, Randal L
12-Nov	2007	Brooks, Matthew A
15-Nov	2004	Westrich, David F
19-Nov	2009	Terrell, Keith
26-Nov	2012	Cucinotta, John B
28-Nov	2006	Russell, Daryl W.

Questions and Answers

We are asking that if you have any questions or would like clarification on something that you send us your questions and we will address them in this section. We look forward to hearing from everyone.

Q: How many boats do we operate and in what areas?

A: We currently operate 15 boats and our main area of focus is Ohio River miles 389-626. We sold the George Harrison earlier this year. We have 2 new boats under construction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Franz and his girlfriend , Amber Nicole Popplewell, welcomed a new baby boy to their family, Hunter Clayton Franz (left). Congratulations!!

We would like to also congratulate Stuart cleaning crew member Travis Padgett and his wife Beth for their son, Eli (right), born on thanksgiving day. Eli weighed 7lbs 10oz.

There is indeed much to be thankful for! Congratulations!!



Q: How do I get in the Newsletter?

A: Individuals and operations will be recognized in each month's Newsletter for outstanding efforts in regards to safety, maintenance, operations, etc. The department managers will note the employee or operation they would like included in the Newsletter.

Q: Can I send pictures to be published in the Newsletter?

A: Yes! Send pictures to Greg Schabell or your manager.