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Improvement Idea Winner By Johnathan Rex, Plant Mgr.

Congratulations! Kris Hunsicker, Heat Treat Supervisor for the "A" Shift, is the Improvement Idea winner for the month of June.



Kris's idea is to use the larger, brand new, SBS oil cooling unit that we have outside on either 620 or 630 furnace. This idea will allow for us to be more efficient in the summer months.

A total of 9 improvement ideas were submitted in June. Others contributing ideas were **James Forbes** and **Evelyn Chmielewski**, with 2 ideas each, and **Gregory Smith**, **Lee Holder**, **Keith Bannon**, and **Terry Copenhaver**, with 1 idea each. Thank you, everyone, for letting us know your ideas for improvements here at Rex.

The next Improvement Idea spin will be held on Monday, July 26, at 3:10 PM in the Induction area. Kris will be drawing the name of one lucky employee for the "Employee Appreciation" spin. Please join us at the spin if you can. You could be the next lucky person spinning the Rex Wheel of Chance.

If you have ideas for improvements here at Rex, write them down on a piece of paper and drop them in the box outside of the Production office. Perhaps you'll be the next improvement idea winner and have an opportunity to spin the Rex Wheel of Chance.



Have a safe Independence Day Holiday!

Free Coffee Day!

To celebrate those employees with Birthdays in July (see Birthday Listing on page 3), there will be **free coffee** from the vending machine starting early AM on July 26th through early AM on July 27th. ENJOY!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!

Monthly Winners

By Johnathan Rex, Plant Mgr.

Our Improvement Idea winner for the month of May was **Kris Hunsicker**, Heat Treat Supervisor for the "A" Shift. Kris along with Nancy Gardner, also submitting an idea in May, each received a "Thank You" pin and a \$5 lottery ticket.



Kris (left), the Improvement Idea winner for May, is congratulated by Scott Wagner, Production Manager.

Kris takes his spin on the Rex Wheel of Chance, which resulted in a \$250 reward.

Kris was not available to take his spin, so we had Nancy Gardner draw the name of an employee for the "Monthly Employee Appreciation" reward. That lucky winner was **Walter Bates**, Heat Treat Supervisor for Induction. Walt took his spin and won a reward of \$75.



Walt Bates (right), the Employee Appreciation winner, is congratulated by Scott Wagner, Production Manager.

We also had Nancy draw slips from a bucket that contained the names of all the people who work for Rex Heat Treat. Five names were drawn and the winners each received a \$5 instant lottery ticket. Those 5 lucky winners of lottery tickets were **Rafael Abreu**, **Greg Bruno**, **Lee Holder**, **Sarah Mansuetti**, and **Ron Makos**.



Scott Wagner, Production Mgr., hands out a "Thank You" pin and lottery ticket to Nancy Gardner, who also submitted an improvement idea.

When **Kris Hunsicker** took his spin on a later date, he won a reward of \$250.

We had an assortment of cookies and fresh Clementines for refreshments and free hot beverages from the vending machine.

Come and join us at next month's spin if you can. Someone's name will be drawn for the Monthly Employee Appreciation reward. Everyone has an equal chance of being picked, so perhaps it may be your name that's drawn as the winner. Then you'd have your opportunity to take a spin on the Rex Wheel of Chance.



Rafael Abreu and Sarah Mansuetti were two of the lucky lottery ticket winners.

A LITTLE HUMOR

Dear Mom,



Our Scoutmaster told us all to write to our parents in case you saw the flood on TV and worried. We are OK. Only one of our tents and two sleeping bags got washed away. Luckily, none of us got drowned because we were all up on the mountain looking for Chad when it happened.

Oh yes, please call Chad's mother and tell her that he's OK. He can't write because of the cast. I got to ride on one of the search and rescue jeeps. It was neat. We never would have found him in the dark if it hadn't been for the lightning.

Scoutmaster Webb got mad at Chad for going on a hike alone without telling anyone. Chad said he did tell him, but it was during the fire so he probably didn't hear him.

Did you know that if you put a gas can on a fire, the gas can will blow up? Billy is going to look weird until his hair grows back.

We will be home on Saturday if Scoutmaster Webb gets the car fixed. It wasn't his fault about the wreck. The brakes worked OK when we left. Scoutmaster Webb said that with a car that old you have to expect something to break down; that's probably why he can't get insurance on it. We think it's a neat car. He doesn't care if we get it dirty, and if it's hot, sometimes he lets us ride in the tailgate. It gets pretty hot with ten people in a car.

Scoutmaster Webb is a neat guy. Don't worry, he is a good driver. In fact, he is teaching Terry how to drive. But he only lets him drive on the mountain roads where there isn't any traffic. All we ever see up there are logging trucks.

Guess what? We have all passed our first aid merit badges. When Dave dove in the lake and cut his arm, we got to see how a tourniquet works.

Also, Wade and I threw up. Scoutmaster Webb said it probably was just food poisoning from the leftover chicken. He said they got sick that way with the food they ate in prison.

I'm so glad he got out and became our scoutmaster. He said he sure figured out how to get things done better while he was doing his time.

I have to go now. We are going into town to mail our letters and buy bullets.

Don't worry about anything. We are fine.

Love,
Johnny

Happy Birthday

Employees celebrating a birthday in **July** are listed below. Let's wish them a happy day.

2	Vernell Donaldson
4	Vindon Griffin Jr.
14	Greg Smith
16	Sarah Mansuetti
20	Larry Saenz
31	Michael Jackson

Yearly Work Anniversaries

The following employees are celebrating their Work Anniversaries in **July**

1 to 5 Years

Sarah Mansuetti

Over 10 Years

John Sherman (19)

Johnathan Rex (20)

Peter Kropff (36)

Walter Bates (48)

Virginia Lindquist (51)

You will receive your annual gift at the monthly spin.

Did You Know?



The Civil War Era was an extremely trying time on all Americans of the day. The upheaval of war caused hoarding of everyday staples and supplies including coinage. In response to the lack of circulating coins, the Secretary of the Treasury, Salmon P. Chase, proposed the printing of fractional currency which, after President Lincoln signed it into law on 7/17/1862, started to be produced in August 1862 and ended production in February 1876. Currency was printed in 5 cent, 10 cent, 25 cent and 50 cent denominations and was known as "postage currency".

U.S. coin denominations used in the past were the half-cent, two-cent, three-cent, and 20-cent pieces. First authorized on April 2, 1792, the half-cent coin was produced in the United States from 1793-1857. The half-cent piece was made of 100% copper. It was slightly smaller than a modern U.S. quarter.



A \$20 bill in 1865 had "The Battle of Lexington" and "Columbia Leading a Procession" on either side of the face and obligation text conspicuously in the middle. The reverse featured "The Baptism of Pocahontas" in black, and a green border.

The "New Jersey Cent" was a copper coin minted from 1786 to 1788. The obverse depicted a plow beneath a horse head facing right with the legend NOVA CÆSAREA. The use of "CÆSAREA" is based on the ancient classical name for the Island of Jersey in the English Channel. The coin pictured is listed on eBay for \$2,100.00 or best offer.



