

MCO Currents



MCO TRANSPORT, INC.
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MCO DONATES ITS SERVICES FOR LIBERIA RELIEF

Wilmington, NC~

MCO Transport donated its services to the Wrightsboro Methodist Church, transporting a 40 foot ocean container from Wilmington, NC to the state port in Charleston, SC.



The container, fully loaded with 65,000 meals along with various donated items such as computers, clothing and tools was loaded on the vessel Torensen Maersk destined for Monrovia, Liberia. From there it will be delivered to the missionary Frido Kinkolenge, who takes children of war-torn Liberia under his wing giving them hope through education.

"Most of all, Frido needed food", explained Bill Haddock Minister of the Wrightsboro Methodist Church. "Children are eating roots, tree leaves, and sometimes dirt to survive."

The church linked with the Raleigh-based nonprofit group StopHungerNow to produce the 65,000 meals. On December 2nd, 270 volunteers showed up to assemble the 65,000 meals into sealed pouches. Each child is allotted only one meal a day.

The container, marked JOHN 1718, made the 360 mile round-trip trek to Charleston, SC on December 20th, powered by an MCO driver using a company owned tractor and chassis. MCO is honored to have been part of such an important cause.

Driver Compliment Corner

William from Basic Shipping USA Wrote:

"Thank you for the information and great job. It's too bad I don't have more for you, you guys are very professional and efficient."

John Passantino Joins the MCO Team



Wilmington, NC~

On January 7th, MCO welcomed John Passantino as Vice President of Marketing and Business Development.

John started his career in Transportation and Logistics with International Paper. After International Paper, Federal Paper recruited John to develop and lead their first Logistics Department. He built this department to bridge the communications between corporate levels and facility levels.

Later, he worked with Cherokee Brick (now General Shale) and National Packaging.

Throughout these experiences, John has led projects involving fulfillment objectives, system needs, and delivery experience with development of customer relationships. His experience will help our operations, but most importantly grow our business.

John has a BA Degree in Economics from St. John's University in New York City. He has lived in Wilmington for sixteen years, and is married with two adult daughters.

We welcome John to the MCO team!

Welcome Aboard!

Drivers:

- Joe Jenkins- BRU
- Jerry Bland- BRU
- Gordon Tilghman- WIL
- Ronald Southern- WIL
- Daniel Russell- BRU
- Robert Estep- WIL
- Thomas Jordan- WIL
- Bernard Peterson- SAV
- Wayne Morley- CHS
- Michael Lubinski- BRU
- Daniel Plummer- SAV
- Richard Wilson- SAV
- Johnny Hutchison- SAV
- Ken Donahoe- CHS

Lease Drivers:

- Gary J. Lee- SAV
- Karen McGuire- SAV

Warehouse:

- Brian Niedman

Staff:

- Mandy Zieke- HR & Compliance Assistant
- John Passantino- Vice President of Sales



SAFETY BITS FROM BILL

Stale Green Lights

According to the National Safety Council, drivers of trucks and other large vehicles should drive with extra care when approaching a stale green light.

If a driver comes to an intersection from more than a block away, and the light remains green, the driver needs to be prepared to stop. Most green lights are set to last for 15 seconds. (A green light could be longer at intersections which have several turn lanes.)

Drivers need to remember that turns at intersections require additional safety precautions.

Taking right hand turns too sharply can have drivers ride up on the curb endangering pedestrians. If a driver swings out too far to the left, drivers of small vehicles might think the driver is turning left and try to cut ahead and cause a collision.

Please be aware of these stale green lights.

2007 Employee Appreciation Parties

The MCO team enjoying good times at the 2007 Employee Appreciation Parties. The parties were held at Wilson's Restaurant (ILM), Mudcat Charlie's (BRU), The Shell House (SAV), and The Sun Fire Grille and Bistro (CHS). It was fun for all!



SAFETY MEETINGS

SCHEDULES:

Brunswick, GA Terminal~

Feb 20th and 21st at 6:30 pm
Brunswick Mill House Restaurant

Charleston, SC Terminal~

Feb 27th at 6:30 PM
North Towne Grill & Seafood

Wilmington, NC Shop~

March 4th at 3:30 PM
Terminal Conference Room

Wilmington, NC Warehouse~

March 6th at 12:00 PM
Warehouse Conference Room

Wilmington, NC Terminal~

March 15th at 8:00 AM

Savannah, GA Terminal~

March 20th at 6:30 PM
Perkins Pancake House

Celebrations!

December Birthdays

- Tony Taylor December 2
- Wayne Morley December 3
- Bernard Mickens December 5
- Howard Davis December 5
- Terry Brown December 6
- Thomas Benton December 8
- Randy McIntyre December 8
- Ronald Southern December 9
- Hubert Webb December 10
- Robert Morris, Sr. December 13
- Doug Lee December 15
- Charles Lienhop December 17
- Washington Grant December 21
- Greg Williams December 21
- Tammy Rooks December 23
- Bill Etheridge December 27
- Rodney Fulks December 27
- Willie Powers December 28
- Paul Jones December 31

MCO Anniversaries– December

- Lori Overton WIL 9 years
- Nicki Bolin BRU 5 years
- Aaron Walker BRU 5 years
- Robert Morris CHS 3 years
- Francis Craton SAV 2 years
- Charles Lienhop WIL 2 years
- Mike Hilliard SAV 2 years
- Jessie Beaver BRU 1 year

January Birthdays

- Adam Youmans January 7
- Mike Carroll January 8
- Jewel Hamme January 11
- Steve Clarke January 14
- George Bryant January 16
- Mike Curtiss January 19
- Marvin Hansley January 23
- Perry Copley January 23
- Teresa Newton January 24
- Richard Strickland January 27
- Deb Parrella January 29

MCO Anniversaries– January

- Thomas Benton WIL 17 years
- Howard Robinson WIL 14 years
- Tommy Chester SAV 13 years
- William Hampton WIL 8 years
- Mike Carroll WIL 6 years
- Clarence Byrd BRU 3 years
- Jimmy Jordan WIL 3 years
- Mike Curtiss WIL 2 years
- Chris Holland CHS 1 year
- Gary Henry WIL 1 year
- Penny Tertzagian WIL 1 year
- Rodney Fulks BRU 1 year
- Bernard Mickens BRU 1 year
- Willie Powers BRU 1 year

February Birthdays

- Ricky Marvin February 2
- Sylvia Oliver February 3
- Bruce Rozier February 6
- Joseph Jenkins February 12
- Dean Smith February 13
- Stevie Ormond February 14
- Danny Brown February 21
- Leroy Head February 21
- Mandy Zieke February 25
- Mike Hilliard February 28
- Art Hook February 29

MCO Anniversaries– February

- Jim Jordan WIL 13 years
- Beth Hiatt WIL 7 years
- Ryan Andresen WIL 5 years
- Deb Parrella WIL 3 years
- Gerald Kehler SAV 1 year



Don't let personal problems interfere with your daily routine. Your Employee Assistance Program is standing by to offer help 24 hours a day. Call 800-728-9444; help is free, confidential and available to all MCO employees and dependents.

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If you have any suggestions, or ideas for the newsletter, we'd love to hear from you!

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