



# The Dashboard

## JUNE



## International Roadcheck



International Roadcheck, now in its 28th year, is the largest targeted enforcement program on commercial motor vehicles in the world, with nearly 17 trucks or buses inspected, on average, every minute across North America during a 72-hour period in early June. Each year, approximately 10,000 CVSA-certified local, state, provincial and federal inspectors in every jurisdiction across North America perform the truck and bus inspections.

International Roadcheck is an annual three-day event when CVSA-certified inspectors conduct compliance, enforcement and educational initiatives targeted at various elements of motor carrier, vehicle, driver and cargo safety and security.

Since its inception in 1988, roadside inspections conducted during Roadcheck have numbered over 1.4 million, resulting in more than 318 lives saved and 5,840 injuries avoided. It also provides an opportunity to educate industry and the general public about the importance of safe commercial vehicle operations and the roadside inspection program.

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) sponsors International Roadcheck with participation by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators, Transport Canada and the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation (Mexico).

**International Roadcheck 2015 will take place on June 2-4, 2015.**

***"Be Careful Out There."***

# GETTING TO KNOW OUR CUSTOMER



Located in Cynthiana, KY since 1991, Solutions Dispersions is a member of the ChromaScape family of brands a world leader and producer of black and colored dispersions used in applications such as mulch, paint, coatings, printing ink, building materials and asphalt sealers.

ChromaScape and its family of manufacturing subsidiaries has plants in Texas, Ohio, Arizona and Kentucky. ChromaScape focuses on providing effective, safe and environmentally friendly colorants to make the world brighter and more attractive.

Solution Dispersions ships their product in pails, drums, totes and even tankers. Phoenix Transportation has recently partnered with Solutions to handle much of their flatbed business. The business is somewhat seasonal starting in late February and peaking in June. The corporate offices for ChromaScape are located in Twinsburg, Ohio. Their Rocky Hatfield and his staff monitor on time service, delivery times, and rates as a way to judge the value of a carrier. We look forward to a long and prosperous relationship with Solution Dispersions.

## Proposed Rule Would Simplify Insulin Exemption for Drivers

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has proposed that drivers with controlled insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) be permitted to operate commercial motor vehicles in interstate commerce without first obtaining an individual exemption for that medical condition from the agency.

[Per the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) published in the *Federal Register*, if enacted the rule would allow drivers with ITDM to obtain a Medical Examiner's Certificate (MEC) at least annually to operate in interstate commerce if the treating clinician — who is the healthcare professional responsible for prescribing insulin for the driver's diabetes — provides documentation to the Medical Examiner that the condition is “stable and well-controlled.”

FMCSA noted in the NPRM that it believes the new procedure would “adequately ensure that drivers with ITDM manage the condition so that it is stable and well-controlled, and that such a regulatory provision creates a clearer, equally effective and more consistent framework than a program based entirely on exemptions.”

The agency added that its own evidence reports as well as ADA studies and other data “indicate that drivers with ITDM are as safe as other drivers when their condition is well-controlled.”

Comments on the proposed rule (Docket Number FMCSA-2005-23151 may be submitted on or before July 6 via the Federal eRulemaking Portal, [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).



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## IN THE KNOW

How long have you been working for Phoenix Transportation?.....2 years.  
What do you do at Phoenix Transportation?.....Utility Worker.  
What is your favorite music?.....Classic Rock.  
What is your favorite movie?.....Blow.  
What is your favorite drink?.....Iced Tea.  
If possible, who would you most like to meet whether they are living or not? ...  
.....George Jung.  
What is your favorite car?.....Corvette.  
What place would you dream of going to?.....South America.



## The History of Flag Day

The Fourth of July was traditionally celebrated as America's birthday, but the idea of an annual day specifically celebrating the Flag is believed to have first originated in 1885. BJ Cigrand, a schoolteacher, arranged for the pupils in the Fredonia, Wisconsin Public School, District 6, to observe June 14 (the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of The Stars and Stripes) as 'Flag Birthday'. In numerous magazines and newspaper articles and public addresses over the following years, Cigrand continued to enthusiastically advocate the observance of June 14 as 'Flag Birthday', or 'Flag Day'.

On June 14, 1889, George Balch, a kindergarten teacher in New York City, planned appropriate ceremonies for the children of his school, and his idea of observing Flag Day was later adopted by the State Board of Education of New York. On June 14, 1891, the Betsy Ross House in Philadelphia held a Flag Day celebration, and on June 14 of the following year, the New York Society of the Sons of the Revolution, celebrated Flag Day.

Following the suggestion of Colonel J Granville Leach (at the time historian of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution), the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames of America on April 25, 1893 adopted a resolution requesting the mayor of Philadelphia and all others in authority and all private citizens to display the Flag on June 14th. Leach went on to recommend that thereafter the day be known as 'Flag Day', and on that day, school children be assembled for appropriate exercises, with each child being given a small Flag.

Two weeks later on May 8th, the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution unanimously endorsed the action of the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames. As a result of the resolution, Dr. Edward Brooks, then Superintendent of Public Schools of Philadelphia, directed that Flag Day exercises be held on June 14, 1893 in Independence Square. School children were assembled, each carrying a small Flag, and patriotic songs were sung and addresses delivered.

In 1894, the governor of New York directed that on June 14 the Flag be displayed on all public buildings. With BJ Cigrand and Leroy Van Horn as the moving spirits, the Illinois organization, known as the American Flag Day Association, was organized for the purpose of promoting the holding of Flag Day exercises. On June 14th, 1894, under the auspices of this association, the first general public school children's celebration of Flag Day in Chicago was held in Douglas, Garfield, Humboldt, Lincoln, and Washington Parks, with more than 300,000 children participating.

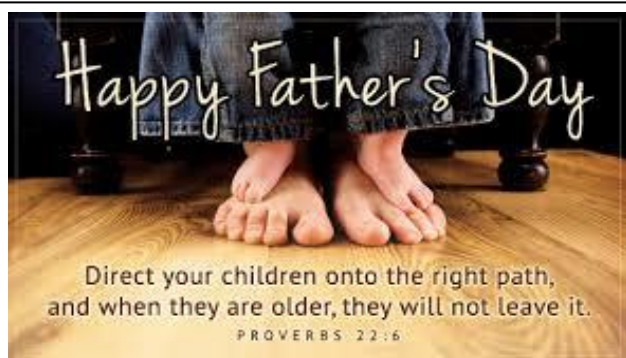
Adults, too, participated in patriotic programs. Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, delivered a 1914 Flag Day address in which he repeated words he said the flag had spoken to him that morning: "I am what you make me; nothing more. I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself."

Inspired by these three decades of state and local celebrations, Flag Day - the anniversary of the Flag Resolution of 1777 - was officially *established* by the Proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson on May 30th, 1916. While Flag Day was celebrated in various communities for years after Wilson's proclamation, it was not until August 3rd, 1949, that President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating **June 14th** of each year as **National Flag Day**.



**VACATION TIME IS HERE! NEED EXTRA MONEY???**

**RECRUIT A NEW DRIVER AND GET \$500 CASH!!!**



### JUNE DAYS TRIVIA

June 7<sup>th</sup> is National Chocolate Ice Cream Day

June 11<sup>th</sup> is National Corn on the Cob Day

June 18<sup>th</sup> is International Picnic Day

June 21<sup>st</sup> is Go Skate Day

June 25<sup>th</sup> is National Catfish Day

June 30<sup>th</sup> is Meteor Day



# June Birthdays

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Dustin Lewis      | 03 |
| William Sizemore  | 03 |
| Paul Stephenson   | 03 |
| Billy Wade        | 05 |
| Elba Richard Neat | 05 |
| Mark Barnes       | 09 |
| Hugh Shepard      | 10 |
| Maynard Hall      | 10 |
| Travis Rouse      | 13 |
| Ricky Little      | 16 |
| Jackie Beasley    | 22 |
| Chad Wright       | 22 |
| Danny Miller      | 24 |
| Edwin Clark       | 28 |
| Jon Sharron       | 28 |
| Raymond Haakinson | 29 |



## CONGRATULATIONS



## BEST WISHES



### Butch Adams and Steve Lail both retired in May!

Butch has been at Phoenix 20 years and Steve has been at Phoenix 15 years. Best of luck to both of them in their retirement. They will be missed!

## Care Corner

Please feel free to submit any prayer request, special need or celebration to the HR Department for inclusion in the Care Corner. We also have developed an email address ([care@phoenix-transportation.net](mailto:care@phoenix-transportation.net)) that will help support the communication process. If you would like to be included in the Care Mail Group please contact Mark Barnes.

- Lyndsay Whitaker-Prewitt had a beautiful baby girl named Amelia. Congratulations!!
- Patrick Clinch's grandmother passed away. Please pray for his family.
- Patrick Clinch's daughter Trinity got married. Congratulations!!
- Jimmy Wilson is in the hospital with pneumonia.
- Paul Stephenson's dad had triple by-pass surgery. Please pray for his recovery.
- Please pray for David Courtney's sister who is seeing a specialist for a brain aneurysm.

***\*\*Please continue to lift up those co-workers with unrequested prayer needs!***



Several new employees were hired during the month of May. Please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

Benjamin Chivarria  
Sonnott Williams  
Patrick Holliday

A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty.

~Author Unknown



Richard Fifield

## IN THE KNOW

How long have you been working for Phoenix Transportation?.....6 months.  
 What do you do at Phoenix Transportation?.....South Carolina Driver.  
 What is your favorite music?.....Country.  
 What is your favorite movie?.....???.  
 What is your favorite drink?.....Southern Comfort/Coke.  
 If possible, who would you most like to meet whether they are living or not?...  
 .....John Wayne.  
 What is your favorite car?.....Ford F150.  
 What place would you dream of going to?.....???