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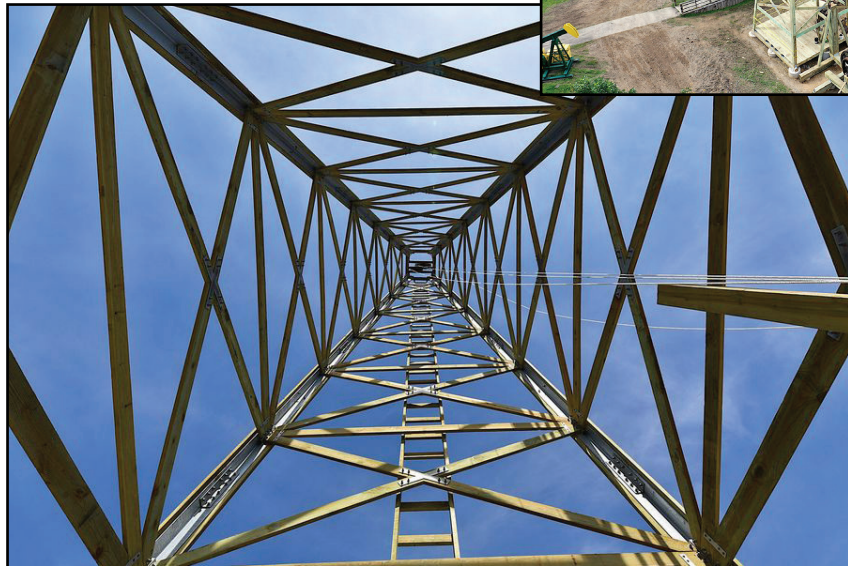
ARG's Emergency Response Team (ERT) conducted live, night-time fire training this summer.



PRACTICE: a learning environment where repetition and reinforcement help to develop mental and physical skills. During competition there's no time for repetition, reinforcement or do-overs.

-- Dr. Michelle Cleere

Something old, something new



The new oil derrick at the Penn Brad Oil Museum was dedicated to legendary Bradford oil man, the late Bill Cline, during the Oil 150 celebration there Sept. 19.

Best welcomes first grandchild

Ryan Best, Manager of Supply Gathering and Safety at our Sandyville terminal, welcomed his first grandchild this summer.

Amara Ann Best was born July 30, 2021, to parents Lex Farrow and Brandon Best.



Amara Ann Best

This little lady tipped the scales at 7 pounds, 8 ounces and stretched the tape measure a full 19 inches.

Historical Highlight



An 1880s fire engine sits on museum display. Fast forward 140 years (and four pages) to see and learn more about the refinery's most modern pumper.

Greg English served 40 years at refinery

DERRICK CITY, Pa. - Greg H. English, 61, of Olean Road, passed away June 7, 2021, at Bradford Regional Medical Center, following an apparent heart attack.

Born Dec. 12, 1959, in Bradford, he was a son of Lawrence E. and Bella Jean Brocious English.

Mr. English was a 1977 graduate of Otto-Eldred high school, and a 1978 graduate of the DuBois School of Trade, where he received a certificate in masonry. He was a lifelong resident of Otto Township.

Greg had been employed by Kendall Refining, which then became Witco and finally the American Refining Group, in Bradford, for over 40 years, and was set to retire in January. When not at ARG he could always be found working on either masonry



or fireworks.

He was a lifetime member of the Old Home Days Committee, where he was instrumental in preparing and conducting the fireworks display. He also enjoyed spending time at his cottage on Pigeon Lake, in the Kawartha Lakes Region of Ontario, Canada.

Surviving are his mother, "Bella" Jean English of Duke Center; a son, Carl (Kristen) English of Derrick City; a daughter, Valerie (Brian Duffy) English of New Springfield, Ohio; two granddaughters, Taylor English and Brooke English; and a sister, Becky (Steve McMahon) English of Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his father; and his brother, Lawrence E. "Larry" English, in 2000.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Otto Township Volunteer Fire Department or Otto Township Old Home Days Committee.

ARG earns 2020 AFPM Safety Achievement Award

WASHINGTON, D.C. – American Refining Group Inc. earned recognition for its 2020 safety record this summer.

ARG's statistics clinched the Safety Achievement Award from American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers (AFPM). The 2020 Annual Safety Awards are part of AFPM's ongoing mission

to enhance and recognize outstanding workplace safety.

The awards are one aspect of a comprehensive program developed by the AFPM Safety and Health Committee to promote safe operations in the refining and petrochemical industries and to recognize facilities with outstanding occupa-

tional and process safety records.

AFPM President and CEO Chet Thompson said, "There is nothing more important to the fuel and petrochemical industries than safety. Our member companies go above and beyond requirements to keep our people, communities and facilities safe, and the AFPM Safety Awards recognize

their strong commitment to safety and their persistence to improve on their already outstanding records."

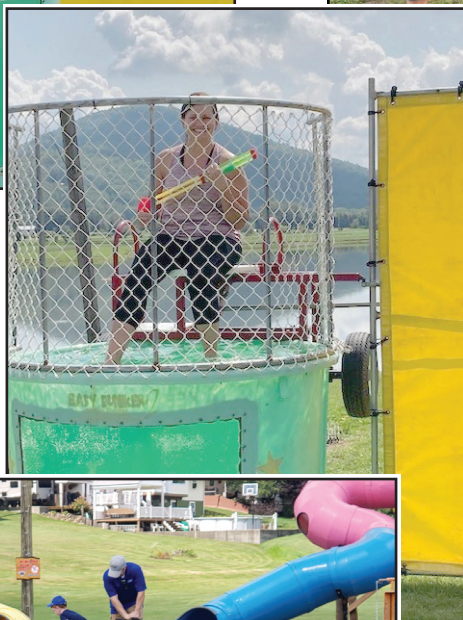
The Bradford plant submitted safety records/statistics for verification against a lengthy list of screening criteria to achieve this recognition.



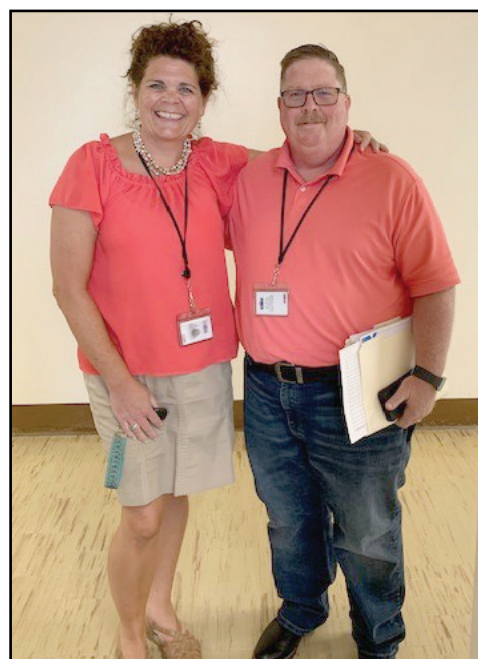
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Manufacturers

Annual family picnic returns to Mystic Water

The ARG Family Picnic returned, in person, for 2021 at the spacious, open-air Mystic Water Resort in Limestone, N.Y. Company leaders braved turns in the dunk tank to raise money for charity - the ARG ELF Fund Committee and the ALS Association Western Pennsylvania Chapter.



Twinning!



Human Resources Manager Heidi Boser and Operations Director Jeff Brewer were spotted coincidentally wearing shirts of a similar color one Tuesday in August.

Our secret is in the **service**

40 years

Brent Burgess
Vinny Colella
Mark Hulings

John Hannahs
Char Layton

35

Jim Chapman

30

Katrine Melka

25

Jeremy Murphy

20

Jeff Coles
Jimmer Furlong

15

Rick Byron
Tammy Haynes
Doug Keller
Hank Krakat
Casey Menteer

Scott Mishic
Sam Pearce
Karl Ross
Jim Todd
Mick Weimer
Jeremy Wells

10

Darrel Bailey
Shawn Disney
Gordon Fink
Brenda Fish
Sara Furlong

Bryan Greenman
Larry Gross
Rob Henretta
Dwayne Johnson
Lenny Keyser

Vince Kinniburgh
Chris Manning
Bruce Manross
Josh McCarthy
Scott Rodgers

Kevin Rose
Lisa Stiles
Tom Strait
Jenna Suppa
Brian Zolkos*

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Bill Brooks
Dave Burkholder
Jason Campbell
Tylor Clark
Beau Close

Jodie Nelson
Tom Perry
Mike Salada
Jim Shulock

Mike Silluzio
Kevin Smith
Steve Westerburg
Randy Wolfgang

* Pittsburgh, Pa.

** Sandyville, Ohio

We thank all ARG employees for their service and dedication, especially those marking an anniversary in 2021!

We hope to be able to gather our milestone groups for photographs again in 2022.



Four retire with 143 total years of service

ARG recognized four more retirements during the second half of our 2021 fiscal year.

Ed Jay and **Steve Woods** both started work at the Bradford refinery July 5, 1978; moved to Operator I in Blending and Packaging on May 19, 1979; and to Operator II in August 1979.

Ed was an operator at the Plattformer briefly in early 1981 before heading to Foster Brook, where he worked at the FB Boiler Plant, FB Blending, Tank Farm and Crude Unloading. In 2002 Ed undertook learning the Energy Tech role, moving from trainee to Energy Tech I on March 3, 2003. He was promoted to Tech II on Oct. 27, 2003, and named Lead Energy Tech on June 17, 2016. Ed retired from this role

May 14, 2021.

Steve, meanwhile, worked his way up to Operator II at the Barrel House by February 1985. He worked just more than two years with the Electric Shop before returning to the Barrel House as Operator II, the role from which he retired Sept. 7.

Charles Marshall joined ARG on Oct. 1, 2008, when ARG acquired Clinton Petroleum Co. He hauled crude oil to our Sandyville terminal for 13 years, until his retirement July 30.

Ed Crandell began his career at the refinery June 20, 1977, with Maintenance. On July 25, 1978, he was named Operator I with Packaging and Operator II in October. He transferred to learn-



Ed Jay



Steve Woods



Ed Crandell



Charles Marshall

ing the Machinist/Mechanic role in 1979 and was named Machinist on June 27, 1994. Ed worked another 27 years in this role, retiring May

25, 2021. Best wishes to you all in retirement, you've earned it!



Fast forward ...



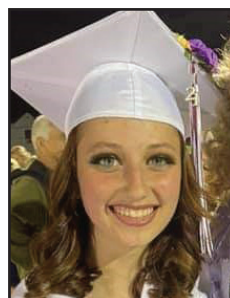
ARG's most modern pumper, a 2013 Sutphen Foam Pumper, sits ready for service outside the refinery's Emergency Response Team (ERT) Station on Williams Street. The truck is outfitted with a 2,000 GPM (gallons per minute) water pump with a National Foam balanced pressure foam system as well as plant and McKean County radio.

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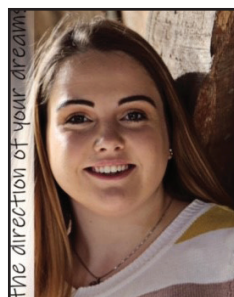
Graduation days



Katie Smith

Reliability Technician **Justin Smith**

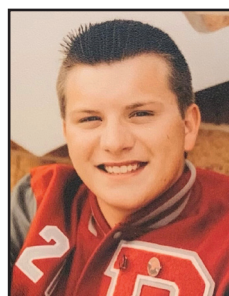
Portville (N.Y.) Central School



Bailey Cooper

Sandyville Dispatcher **Desta Cooper**

Carrollton (Ohio) High School



Xavier Daniel Best

Sandyville Crude Gathering and
Safety Manager **Ryan Best**

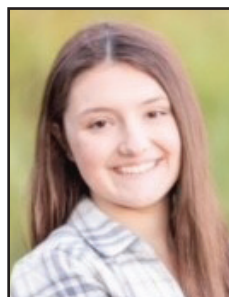
Dover City (Ohio) Schools



Laura Wilhelm

Sales Business Manager **Adam
Wilhelm**

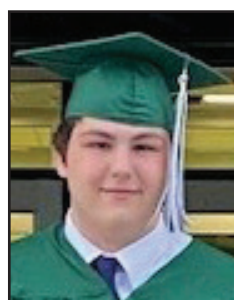
Portville (N.Y.) Central School



Kylie Stiles

Payroll/Benefits Coordinator **Lisa Stiles**

Bradford Area High School



Kyle Rounsville

HR Generalist **Keli Rounsville**

Allegheny-Limestone (N.Y.) Central
School



Brooks Hayden

Heavy Equipment Journeyman II
Cory Hayden and former Logistics &
Marketing Manager **Devon Kloss**

Bradford Area High School



SAFETY SNAPSHOT

Bradford refinery

REPORTED INJURIES/RECORDABLE INJURIES/LOST-TIME INJURIES

27/1/2

FY21 totals

24/5/1

FY20 totals

ARGold™ debuts at ILMA



John Zarroli (left) and John Malone were part of the ARG Team on hand June 2-4 in Orlando, Fla., for ILMA ReEngage, where our new product ARGold™ officially launched. The team received great feedback from customers and competitors alike:

UniSource, customer:

"Glad ARG took the step forward and you should be proud."

PetroChoice, customer:

"You guys are the talk of ILMA."

ERGON, competitor:

"You have arrived."



Kneeling (from left) are Rob Curtin, Jon Rovder, Steve Schiappa. Standing (from left) are Matt Henretta, Ed Dalenbach, Garrett Baker, Bruce Manross, Casey Mentee, Tom Osborne, Ron Pepper, Brandon Caswell and Sabra Warren.

Fourth class graduates training

A fourth class of American Refining Group employees completed Leadership for Team Leaders training. The group completed the spring semester course and graduated in early summer. The training is provided by

the Manufacturer & Business Association out of Erie, with trainer Tracy Daggett.

MBA is a non-profit focused on helping businesses succeed with services like trade courses and professional development.



This most welcome (and tongue-in-cheek) sign on the ARG Temp-Shed™ door announced its closure in June, coinciding with Pennsylvania health guidelines. Let's do our part to avoid further COVID spread and keep the shed closed!

No more spread? No more shed!