

March 2015

The 'Pile Times'

Hazard Recognition Statistics:

TOP Reported Hazards

Month of March

- ❖ Struck By
- ❖ Equipment Hazards
- ❖ Fall Potential

Great thoughts speak only to the thoughtful mind, but great actions speak to all mankind
Theodore Roosevelt

Project Tracking: Safely Delivered [On Time]

Cajun Deep Foundations' has completed numerous safe, quality, on time projects over the years, and the vast majority of our projects result in a satisfied client. In this edition of **The 'Pile Times'**, you will read about two recently completed Dow Polyethylene projects and what sets Cajun Deep Foundations apart from other companies. In addition to the project summaries that you will read about later in this newsletter, I want to share with you the following letter from Kerry Cantrelle, Construction Manager for Project Gulfstream Poly "B" TR3.

Team;

As of 3:47 PM this evening all piles for the PBT3 project have been driven. 2,053 piles were driven with the last pile being the money pile. The PBT3 team along with Cajun Deep foundation guys placed ~20 dollars under the last pile to signify the teams buy in to success and to wish the project profit growing from the ground up. In the picture attached the gentlemen to the right is placing the money under the pile.

I want to take my hat off and extend a very sincere thanks to the Cajun Deep Foundation crew for a job superbly done. To note that; these guys worked the past three days in driving rain and mud up to the knees to accomplish a safe, high quality job ON TIME. Words cannot do justice to the folks trudging through the mud to make this a successful 1st stage. These three days were awesomely managed and accomplished, as we had a rising river coming to us and threatening our abilities, but also note that; these last three days were really no different than any other day since October the 10th 2014 when the first pile was driven. These guys were like mailmen, rain, sleet, snow, nothing stopped them from completing the task. Thanks you guys for a great job, it was truly a pleasure to have you on my work site.

*Kerry W. Cantrelle
Construction Manager
Project Gulfstream Poly"B" TR3*



This letter is a testament to the hard work and focused attention of the CDF Dow Project Team, including Site Manager – Burt Ogilvie, Project Managers – Dane Lambert and Dean Story, Project Superintendents – Dennis Dozier, Sr and Ken Krebsbach, Project Safety Supervisor – Bobby Story, and the entire field team. While the effort that the CDF Project Team dedicated to the Dow projects was noticed by the client and shared in this letter, similar efforts are being repeated on other CDF projects every day by many other individuals not named above. It is your efforts, and testaments from happy clients such as the one you read about here, that continually make me proud to work at Cajun Deep Foundations. To all the Cajun Deep Foundations Mailmen and Mailwomen who keep Safely Delivering Deep Foundations success – Thank You!

-Scott Callaway

All Aboard the “Poly Train”

In August 2014 Cajun Deep Foundations was awarded two piling contracts at Dow’s Louisiana operations in Plaquemine, LA. The two contracts included pipe piling for two additional polyethylene units named Poly “D” and Poly “B train 3”.

Poly D scope of work consisted of:

- 1426 each 14” x 105’ long concrete filled pipe piles (installed in 2 pcs)
- 219 each 14” x 60’ long concrete filled pipe piles
- 85 each 36” x 105’ long pipe piles that needed to be augered out, then concrete filled.

On Aug 11th the mobilization for Poly D began. Mobilization consisted of two 14” pile crews staggered by a week and a 36” pile crew set to mobilize in October. Poly D site conditions were overall very good. One of the biggest obstacles was large bathtub excavations that would hold several inches of water. These excavations limited site mobility and production. With most large projects they always have some curveballs. Several months into the Poly D scope large deficiencies were discovered in the quantity of piles ordered for both 14” and 36”. These deficiencies could have caused major delays for the following civil and mechanical construction. Therefore CDF came up with a way to reuse the pile cutoffs instead of waiting several months for a pipe pile mill rolling.

Poly B scope of work consisted of:

- 2053 each 14” x 105’ pipe piles.

Poly B mobilization began in September with two 14” piling crews. The scope of work was slightly different for Poly B as CDF was just contracted to drive the pipe pile and not to also supply the concrete fill. The Poly B site conditions were very challenging; the entire site was one big mud pit. These conditions greatly limited site mobility for any rubber tire piece of equipment. The only way to move around on site was tracked equipment and mats. With the site being as it was the problem arose on how equipment was going to be fueled. Our piling equipment uses extreme quantities of fuel each day and with no site mobility this became a problem. CDF also had to be conscious of other contractors performing work on the Poly B site.

March 2015 both Poly D and B completed their scopes of work. Five piling crews and almost 4000 pipe piles CDF completed another successful project. CDF completed both projects with an impeccable safety record. Neither site had any loss time injuries!

~Dane Lambert



CDF'S "BUILD-A-RIG" PROGRAM

Cajun Deep Foundations has a long track record of having an incentive based approach to safety. Our safety incentive programs may vary per jobsite based on structure, longevity, and budgeting; but there is a common thread, HEIGHTENED AWARENESS.

Working safely is a value, but it's also a job requirement. We put incentive programs in place to heighten awareness and challenge employees to recognize potential conditions and behaviors that could compromise our safety. CDF's *Build-a Rig* Program is no different. Each week, every single hazard recognition submitted on our jobsites is reviewed and voted upon by our project managers, safety representatives, and division management. The votes are used to determine the best two submissions and those two employees receive 1 of 6 crane stickers necessary to complete the rig. Upon completion of the rig, the employee is rewarded with a diecast model crane. We'd like to recognize the only 3 employees to ever achieve this goal since the program's inception over two years ago.

Congratulations to **Randy Crowe**, **Robert Baker**, and **Derek Knight**. We recognize your commitment to safety and we appreciate your effort in consistently submitting *quality* hazard recognitions. We'll never actually know how many incidents you've been a part of preventing...

~Mark Mumford



CONSTRUCTION HUMOR

I learned to drive an 18 wheeler in my days of adventure.

Wouldn't ya know... I misjudged the height of a bridge. The truck got stuck and I couldn't get it out, no matter how I tried.

I radioed in for help and eventually a local cop shows up to take the report.

He went through his basic questioning...OK...no problem. He looks pretty smart until he asks, "So...is your truck stuck?"

I couldn't help myself! I looked at him, looked back at the rig, and then back to him, and said, "No, I'm delivering a bridge."

CAJUN DEEP FOUNDATIONS SAFETY CORNER



2014 was a banner year for Cajun Deep Foundations for a number of reasons; most notably, Success in Safety. December marked **3 years** without a recordable injury. To celebrate this achievement, the 2nd annual safety day plan was put into motion! Quarters Family Entertainment in Baton Rouge was the venue. There were over 150 Cajun employees and family members in attendance! As each employee arrived he/she was given a door prize ticket and enough game cards for their family. Each employee signed a Cajun Safety Day banner with the words from our Crossroads Safety Oath.

This being the second year we've used this venue, I have to say what a hit the laser tag seems to be for all! Kids and adults alike seem to have a blast blasting at each other with the laser tag gear. Other big hits were among the arcade games, air hockey, and ski ball. The kids collected prizes from small candies, drink cups, balls and other novelty game items. The bowling lanes were quite busy throughout the event and the kids had just a little help from lane bumpers.

As the event neared its close, the families gathered and drew for a chance to win a door prize. Dylan Aucoin was the lucky winner of a Sony PlayStation 4 Game Console. Thanks to all of our employees for striving for safety excellence and making events like these possible!

~Shelly M. Ferguson

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SPOT A STROKE FAST

Face Drooping – Does one side of the face droop or is it numb? Ask the person to smile. Is the person's smile uneven?

Arm Weakness – Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

Speech Difficulty – Is speech slurred? Is the person unable to speak or hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence, like "The sky is blue." Is the sentence repeated correctly?

Time to call 9-1-1 – If someone shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 9-1-1 and get the person to the hospital immediately. **Check the time so you'll know when the first symptoms appeared.**