

# DODGE MOVING & STORAGE



## Celebrating 1 Year at our Expanded Commercial Facility



“It’s hard to believe that this January marks the one year anniversary that Dodge expanded our commercial facility,” said Facilities Director, Alex Clerc. “Over the past year, Tom Linhares, Executive V.P., Greg Ziegler, Logistics Manager and I have spent a lot of time creating a well functioning facility to house a long list of commercial and distribution accounts.”

“We had a few things to work out in the beginning,” says Logistics Manager, Greg Ziegler. “But we have worked through those issues and in 2017, we successfully exceeded customer expectations while transitioning into our new commercial location. We are very proud of that accomplishment.”

Among the list of high-profile accounts is Unigroup. Just recently, Unigroup West Region Director, Edward Danzer paid a visit to the Dodge operation. Edward was very complimentary of the Dodge and Unigroup relationship. “We are very excited how everything has worked with Dodge as our Central Region Cross-dock since January 2017,” he said. Edward continued, “Dodge has truly been a major contributor and an integral part of the Express Network. Thanks again for all the hard work and wonderful success we were able to enjoy with the support of the entire Dodge team.”

Facilities Director Alex Clerc said, “The Dodge team is thrilled with the success of the expanded commercial facility and we look forward to another great year in 2018 and years to come.”

# DODGE NEWS

## Moving the First Responders



Our O'Fallon, Illinois office recently responded to the First Responders. Dodge was awarded the contract to move the Edwardsville, IL Public Safety offices from the old building to the new state of the art Public Safety offices.

The move involved moving both the fire department and the police department. "We were allotted Friday, Saturday and Sunday to complete the move, but we were able to have it completed by Saturday evening," said Mike Ligibel, General Manager of the Illinois office.

"It was a pretty straight up move with over 300 totes of office files and office furniture to be moved," Mike continued. "But we did have some really heavy things like the police station weight room and scuba gear for the fire department. Everything went smoothly and we are proud to have handled the move into their new facility. They are a vital part of our community".

## Mayflower Milestone



Dodge was just recognized for being part of the Mayflower family for 45 years!! Here's to many more years to come.

## A "Pizza"ation Luncheon



Our Dodge Management team wanted to express thanks and appreciation to Unigroup Home Office Operations, Logistics, Safety and Military areas for all their hard work and help throughout the year.

On Thursday December 14th Dodge had pizza and soda delivered for the entire group. Dodge team members, Matt Kilian, Regina Beach, Alex Clerc and Barb Cox were on hand to offer personal thanks to the home office staff. Everyone enjoyed lunch and visiting old friends and making new acquaintances.

Pictured left to right is:

Jeff Heath (Unigroup Area E Manager)  
 Laura Denny (Unigroup Customs Brokerage)  
 Matt Kilian (Dodge Interstate Dispatcher)  
 Barb Cox (Dodge Local Safety Director)  
 Alex Clerc (Dodge Container/Facilities Mgr)  
 Jim Mallette (Unigroup Express)

## Halloween Happenin'



Several Dodge employees entered the company Halloween Costume Contest. We had a cat, a chef with a "grand moustache" and a walking around hot dog. But in the end the winner was the Zombie Cheerleader – better known to us as Account Coordinator Cindy Bowens. Cindy won a \$25.00 gift card for her "back from the dead costume." Congrats Cindy!

## Penny Wars



The Red Cross and its volunteers have been hit hard in 2017. With the floods in TX, hurricane Harvey in FL and wild fires in CA, Red Cross funds were quickly being depleted. Dodge chose the Red Cross as our 4th qtr. charity and played a fun game of Penny Wars. Two teams were chosen each month and the "wars" began. The competition was fierce and at the end we raised \$472.89 – that's a lot of pennies! Dodge management generously matched the money raised so we were able to donate \$945.78 to the Red Cross. It was fun and served a good cause.

## Christmas Donation



This year the Dodge Giving Tree benefited the St. Louis Crisis Nursery. The SAINT LOUIS CRISIS NURSERY is an not-for-profit agency founded in 1986 and funded by donations. Crisis Nursery is committed to preventing child abuse and neglect by providing short-term, emergency shelter for children, birth through age 12, whose families are faced with emergencies or who are in crisis.

They have become a cornerstone in the fight against child abuse and neglect. In addition to the direct care of the children, the Crisis Nursery gives ongoing support and follow-up care to families and serves as a child/family advocate within the social services system. As always our Dodge staff came through and donated a generous amount of toys, diapers, clothing and other items for children.



# On The Road Again...



Van Operator Danny O'Connor and helper Ontario. Butterfly Collection arrived unharmed!



Owner Operator Nelson Bean loading up a customer during a Boston, MA snow storm. Talk about true dedication!



Owner Operator Don Ivy delivering The University of Missouri's basketball Head Coach to Missouri!



Owner Operator Nick Elking enjoying the weather during a load in San Francisco, CA



Danny O'Connor moving Schnucks supermarkets Vice President!



## By: Interstate Safety Director, Regina Beach

It is my pleasure to work with such an awesome group of van operators. There are actually four van operators that qualified for the 3rd Quarter 2017 Safety Incentive. CONGRATULATIONS gentlemen on a job well done!!

### Below is the criteria to win this award:

- \* No late or missing logs for the quarter.
- \* No safety infractions for the quarter.
- \* Must be an Owner Operator for the full quarter.
- \* No accidents during the quarter.



Danny O'Connor

Mark Henson

Nelson Bean

Ray Terran

# Celebrating Employee Milestones

## **KABRENA SNIPES**

### **COORDINATING & MARKETING MANAGER**

Kabrena is celebrating **20 years** with Dodge. She started with Dodge as our front receptionist. When a coordinator left on maternity leave that same year she quickly moved into that position and has been coordinating ever since. In 2010, she was promoted to Coordinating and Marketing Manager.



## **BARB WILLBRAND**

### **ACCOUNTING / CLAIMS & IT MANAGER**

Barb is also celebrating **20 years** with Dodge. She started as the interstate billing specialist and over the years moved into her current position. She came into Dodge with some knowledge of the trucking industry as a buyer for a local furniture company. She has learned much over the years and is looking forward to what the next years hold in the every changing moving industry.



## **RICH HORVATH**

### **CORPORATE SALES DIRECTOR**

Rich is celebrating **10 years** with Dodge. He is no stranger to the moving industry. Having worked for both Fry Wagner and North Dallas United he came to us with an outstanding National Account booking background. We are very lucky to have him as part of our team and congratulate him on this anniversary.



## **JOE WAFE**

### **WAREHOUSE SUPERVISOR**

Joe Wafe has been in the moving industry for 18 years and is celebrating 10 years with Dodge. Joe started with us as a local mover. We quickly realized he was a great fit for our warehouse and currently holds the role of supervisor for our St. Louis warehouse!



## **BOBBY ALMO**

### **LOCAL MOVER - ST LOUIS, MO**

Bobby Almo is celebrating 5 years with Dodge as a local mover. He has had a great trainer, his Dad – who was an Owner Operator for many years but is now a local driver and accompanies Bobby on many of them. We get a lot of compliments on Bobby from our customers. We're glad he is celebrating 5 years with us.



