

Anderson Concrete Newsletter

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The Science of Big Machines at COSI



For many years, Anderson Concrete has supported the “Science of Big Machines” exhibit, held annually at the Center for Science and Industry (COSI) in Columbus.

Anderson Concrete and Buckeye Ready-Mix support the event financially and provide two mixer trucks for the exhibit, which consists of a variety of construction equipment from trowel machines to bulldozers, backhoes, forklifts, excavators, cranes and of course, concrete mixers. During the week-long event, children can observe and even operate some of the machines first hand, while learning from project engineers and contractors who volunteer their time. This event is presented by the Ohio Contractors Association, which Anderson Concrete has been a longtime member.

More pictures on the back cover.



Special points of interest:

- *Big Machines at COSI*
- *New Hires & Promotions*
- *Pelotonia Fundraisers*
- *ODOT Projects Update*

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A Word from the President by: Doug Anderson



The end of June is just the beginning of summer, but it is the halfway point in the 2019 production year for Anderson Concrete. I am pleased to be able to tell you that our production is 7% ahead of last year at this point. This accomplishment has been achieved through the strong effort of our entire team. Despite the fact that the total rainfall for the year rain is eight inches above normal, we have all worked hard to produce and deliver over 200,000 yards of concrete to our customers.

The second half of 2019 will continue to be busy. The rental car garage at the John Glen International Airport is the biggest project that we are currently pouring. Highway projects all over town, including I-71 South and the I-70/71 split downtown, continue to progress with deliveries on days, nights and weekends. Our backlog for the rest of 2019 and early 2020 is greater than a year ago and we have several big projects in the pipeline to bid. It is exciting to participate in these projects that are helping to fuel the growth of Columbus.

I am also excited about two events that are coming up in August: Pelotonia and Kings Island. For the 4th year, we will have a team of bicyclists participating in Pelotonia on August 3rd, along with many others who volunteer during the event and help with the fundraising. The team has been training hard and I would like to thank everyone who has helped raise money for cancer research at The James Cancer Center at The Ohio State University. Then, on August 18th, we will be having a company outing at Kings Island. I hope we have a big family turnout because it will be a fun day at the park!

Producing and delivering the volume of concrete that we do on a daily basis takes great teamwork. I would personally like to thank all the members of our team for their contributions. As we continue to deliver concrete for the rest of this busy year, please stay focused on being safe and 2019 will be successful for all of us.

~Doug

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August 4, 2019

September 1, 2019

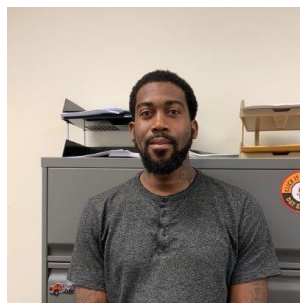
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**From 8:00 pm (Saturday)
to 4:30 pm (Sunday) in
the lake south of the office.**

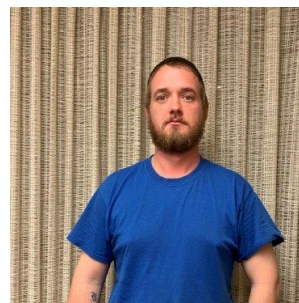
**Be sure to get your permit
from the front desk at ACC!**



**Anderson Concrete has welcomed
23 new hires so far this year!**



Everett McClinton—Driver



Blake Greeno—Driver



Dustin Gollate—Driver



Ken Goslin—Driver



Jon Chesshir—Driver



Odell Teague—Driver



Ken Zyvonoski—Driver



Robert Dade—Driver



Robert Smith—Driver



Nicolas Barkey—Driver



Nicolas Leist—Driver



Ronnie Prater—Driver



Joey Gillespie—Driver



Robert Zerkle—Driver



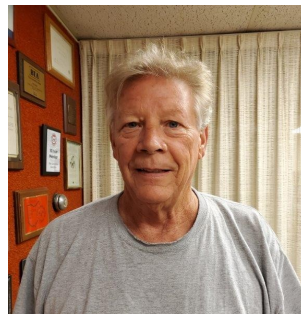
Manuel Jenkins—Plant



Steve Sturgill—Driver



Adam Parlier—Driver



James Jeffery—Driver



Antonio Stokes—Driver



Daniel Stack—Mechanic



Taylor Coy—Driver



William Griffin—Driver



Charles Jackson—Driver

Quality Control Promotion by: Rod Jenkins

This year, we have delivered an incredible amount of highly technical concrete mixtures on a variety of projects. The amount of parking structures we are supplying is at an all time high, while simultaneously producing concrete for many ODOT projects. In addition, we are looking at several projects that may require higher strength concrete than Anderson Concrete (ACC) has ever produced. Much of this work is happening at night and on the weekends, and this type of work requires constant inspection at our plants and a great deal of attention on jobsites. John Fairchild, senior field representative, has announced his intention to retire sometime next year. The combination of these factors led us to the conclusion that adding a seventh field representative this season was of the utmost importance.

The quality control department used to be divided evenly between plant testing technicians and onsite quality control representatives. Retired Vice President of Production, Bill Feltz, combined the position, which resulted in the department being much more efficient. Consequently, the increased efficiency led to a gradual reduction in the size of the department. The senior employees in the quality control department say that we have just now increased the size of the department back to where it was when the responsibilities were divided.

Earlier this year, we conducted extensive interviews, which included many current employees as well as outside individuals. This interview process led to the conclusion that there are many talented, qualified employees at the company who could fill a quality control position.

Cody Hughes, who volunteered to work in the lab last winter, went through the interview process. His hard work in the lab and positive reviews from current field representatives made him an ideal candidate. So far, Cody has proved to be hard working and has had a great attitude in his new position. When not at work, Cody enjoys spending time with his young daughter. I found it interesting that Cody has several really unique tattoos that tell his life story. *Congratulations Cody, you are a great addition to department!*



Cody Hughes

Tech Tips from Kiley Flickinger

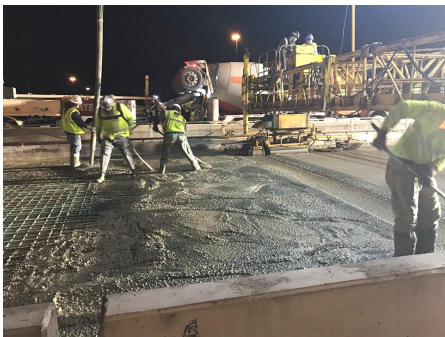
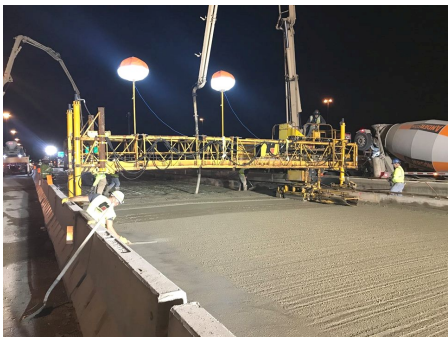
Google search is a valuable tool that most of us use on a daily basis and we usually find what we are looking for. There are, however, a few tricks you can use to make your search more efficient.

- 1) **Search for exact phrase** – When using Google search, it attempts to search for sites containing all the words you typed in the search box, in any order or placement. If you are searching for an exact phrase, enclose it in quotes. Example: “Concrete Specifications”.
- 2) **Search for particular file types** – If you are searching for links to a pdf file type, state the file type by typing in – filetype:<file type>. Example: “Concrete Specifications” filetype:pdf.
- 3) **Search a particular site** – To search a particular site for a phrase or subject, type – site:<site name>. Example: “Concrete Specifications” site:dot.state.oh.us.
- 4) **Use these tips together** – You can use these tricks together to narrow down your results even further by typing – “search term” filetype:<file type> site:<site name>. Example: “Concrete Specifications” filetype:pdf site:dot.state.oh.us.

Project Pics



Above: Project Hackman, Walcutt Warehouse with Thompson Concrete, May 2019



Above: ODOT I-71 bridge over 270 with The Ruhlin Company, March 2019



Above: Shelly & Sands at I-71/Frank Road, June/July 2019

Above and right: Barrier Wall on I-71 with Shelly & Sands, Spring/Summer 2019



Left: The Ruhlin Company at I-270/I-71, March 2019



Right: Complete General at I-270/62, May 2019

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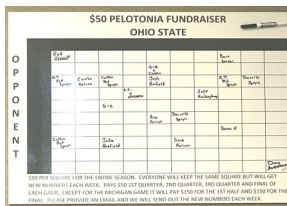
The Anderson Concrete/Buckeye Ready-Mix Pelotonia Team set a goal to raise \$100,000 this year! Every dollar raised goes directly toward cancer research at The James Cancer Center at The Ohio State University. In order to help us meet our goal, you can donate to the team at: www.pelotonia.org/acbbrm. Or, you can participate in several of our fundraisers, which are open to employees, suppliers and customers, and all proceeds go toward #ONEGOAL!



Anthony Thomas Candy Bars
\$1.00 per candy bar



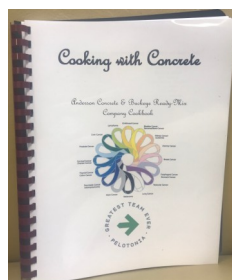
Country Meat Sticks
\$1.00 per stick



Ohio State Football Pool
\$50 per square for the entire season. New numbers every week. Payout \$50 Q1, Q2, Q3 and final of each game. Michigan game \$150 for 1st half and \$150 for final.



Anderson Concrete & Buckeye Ready Mix Peloton Hats
\$20 minimum donation per hat



Cooking with Concrete: Pelotonia Cookbook:
\$10 per cookbook

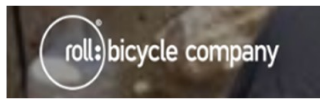
2019 Pelotonia Concrete Raffle
\$20 donation per ticket
2 Prizes: 10 yards of concrete each



Each winning ticket will receive up to 10 yards of concrete delivered in a single delivery to one location. Drawing will be held on August 1, 2019.

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New this year! We are selling raffle tickets for prizes! Items include coolers, a mountain bike, a Lego set, an autographed picture of Eddie George, a painting of Urban Meyer, and a variety of gift cards and Pelotonia apparel (not all shown on this page). The items are being showcased at the main offices of Anderson Concrete & Buckeye Ready-Mix, and they are posted on our Facebook page as well: <https://www.facebook.com/acbbrmpelotonia>. Ticket prices are: **1 ticket for \$2.00; 6 for \$10.00; 15 for \$20.00**. Tickets can be purchased by cash, credit card or check. The drawing for all items will be held on August 23rd. Contact Patty Anderson or Kari Snyder at 614-443-0123 for information or to buy tickets.



Con-Tech Mixer Units by: Shawn Anderson

Anderson Concrete has three different brands of mixer units equipped on all current truck chassis. Divided among the lot by most outfitted to least are: McNeilus, Con-Tech, and Continental mixer units. This year, Anderson Concrete purchased all Mack chassis with four McNeilus and five Con-Tech mixer units. Both McNeilus and Con-Tech manufacturers are based out of Dodge Center, Minnesota. This article highlights the new improvements on the Con-Tech mixer units.

The 2019, Con-Tech mixer units came with an upgrade called an “Elite Control System.” This package includes a 7-inch LED color information display, a flexible ergonomic joystick next to the driver’s seat, and a wireless remote control. This system displays a ton of valuable information while keeping the driver’s focus on the road ahead. The information display also doubles as a back-up camera. The color coded and labeled joystick puts job site functions in the palm of the driver’s hand. Finally, the remote control removes a lot of wiring from the rear pedestal and is the first of its kind here at Anderson.

Senior mechanic Dave Dickinson has been with the company for 30 years. He says “Con-Tech is a superior mixer. I like the way they operate and how the controls are. Personally, I like the remote because you can carry it with you.”

How do you know if your truck is a McNeilus or Con-Tech?

It is logoed on the control box in the cab. Currently, Anderson Concrete has six Continental mixer units and although they do not have a logo on the control box, they do have a unique metal arch around the drum attached to the rear pedestal.



Senior Mechanic, Dave Dickinson, working on a mixer.



Joystick, LED screen and remote control in Con-Tech mixer.

Safety Alert: How to Beat the Heat by: Brandon Double



As we continue the summer season and transition into fall, it has become the new “normal” for temperatures to reach 90+ degrees in September and continue in the 80’s into the early parts of October. Heat Stress is a huge factor that people should take into consideration while working on the job as well as at home.

Temperatures can fluctuate between twenty and thirty degrees from 5 AM to 11 AM. Different people react differently to heat. Some symptoms of heat exhaustion are headache, heat cramps, weakness, dizziness or nausea. You may have blurred vision, pass out, suffer convulsions and ultimately, if left untreated, death.

High humidity adds to the suffering. Your body will not cool down as much from sweating because the sweat cannot evaporate as efficiently. Everyone is more irritable and makes more mistakes when the temperature is above the comfort zone. Be aware of the conditions and be more careful.

In general, at about 85° and 90% humidity, most people begin to be uncomfortable. At about 92° and 90% humidity, the body begins to react and heat exhaustion is possible. Whether or not a person can function in the heat is dependent upon your health, your physical condition and how hard you are working. Other factors that affect your ability to cope with the heat are how much sleep you got the night before, or how well rested you are, and stress. Another major factor is your acclimatization or how much time you spend working in the heat. And finally, smoking, alcohol, and illness greatly reduces your tolerance to heat.

What can you do to improve your tolerance?

Spend some time working outdoors in the heat. Always drink plenty of water. Some extra salt is necessary because salt is lost in sweat. Acetic acid increases your tolerance to heat. Acetic acid is in lemonade and citrus fruits as well as vinegar. Pickles and pickled products will also help you feel more energetic in the heat.

What not to do!

Beer is not a sports drink. Alcohol is a diuretic, which means it will dry you out more than quench your thirst. Coffee and soft drinks that contain caffeine will act the same way in your body. The more you drink, the more you will need to drink to keep up with your moisture loss through urination. A hangover is dehydration, about the same feeling as heat exhaustion complete with the headache and nausea.

ODOT Projects Update by: Chad Higginbotham

ODOT Project 170393: I-71 Major Reconstruction

Shelly & Sands continues making progress with the major rehabilitation of I-71 from Stringtown Road to the I-70/71/315 interchange. Complete General Construction and The Ruhlin Company are assisting Shelly & Sands on this project by performing the electrical work, concrete paving and bridge construction. In total, there are six bridges and 10,000+ yards of concrete paving yet to be poured. Project completion is scheduled for August 2020.



Shelly & Sands pouring a bridge footer at I-71/Frank Road

Traffic Note: Jackson Pike at Frank Road will remain down to one lane through Labor Day.

ODOT Project 190037: IR 70 Major Reconstruction (“The Split”)

Kokosing Construction is set to begin another phase of the much anticipated reconfiguration of our downtown I-70/71 split. This phase may finally begin to show progress with the construction of four new bridges for traffic crossing over and under the current freeway system. Project completion is scheduled for July 2021.

ODOT Project 180381: IR 67(“SmartLane”)

A “Smartlane” is an extra travel lane only open during heavy traffic times to relieve congestion. ODOT will use newly installed cameras to monitor the higher traffic times. This system is currently being used in several other states. Complete General Construction began production of the Smartlane in the summer of 2018. The Smartlane will begin on I-670 eastbound just east of I-71 and will end at I-270 on the east side. This project also includes two new bridges to help the flow of traffic on I-670 eastbound to I-270. Project completion is scheduled for October 2019.



PILOT PROJECT: I-670 East Afternoon Commute I-670/270 Interchange Improvements



Upcoming ODOT jobs to bid:

I-71- between Schrock Road & Gemini Place (bid date 7/25/19)

I-71/70 Split (bid date 1/2020)

Frank Road / Jackson Pike Intersection improvement (no bid date assigned at this time)

Summer Sales Report

by: Art Marchi

We are over halfway through the 2019 construction season and our workload will keep us very busy throughout the rest of the year. Just like last year, the two biggest factors that impact everyone will be Mother Nature and finding more people to add to the workforce; but we all know that in order to be successful, we have to overcome obstacles.

We finally started delivering concrete to the new rental car garage at the John Glenn International Airport with Dugan & Meyers. There are 60,000 yards of concrete in this project and the first garage deck pour should be in September. We also have another garage with Dugan & Meyers, right next to Battelle on 5th Avenue called “Founders Park Garage.”

As Chad Higginbotham notes in his article, the ODOT projects at the I-70/71 split, I-71 south, Route 315, Route 33 south, I-670 and I-270 are in full throttle and will require some challenging delivery schedules. In fact, the projects at I-70/71 and I-71 south will be a daily routine for us until December.

As busy as we are, there will be more work to come with projects that have already bid or will be bidding soon. Some of the projects that have bid but have not been awarded are:

Grandview Crossing Garage
OSU Central Sterile Building
OSU Wexner Medical Garage
OSU Arts District Buildings
WOSU Buildings

Some projects bidding soon:

Columbus Crew Stadium
Hilton Hotel by the Convention Center
Columbus Senior Living Tower
Arlington Gateway Project

Projects are starting to slow down on the High Street Corridor from Downtown to OSU, but the hot spot this year will be the OSU campus. Other areas that will continue to be active are the Grandview Yard, Bridge Park in Dublin and Hamilton Road/161 next to the Big Lots headquarters.

At Anderson Concrete, we not only sell a product, but we also provide a service. The service portion of our business will continue to require a lot of man-hours throughout the rest of the year. Whether it's delivering the concrete, batching the concrete, maintaining our trucks and equipment, quality control, scheduling and dispatching, accounting, administrating, sales or ownership, we all have to work together as team to be successful.

We are in our 98th year of being in business and we wouldn't have made it to where we are today if it weren't for the **people** who work at Anderson Concrete and the willingness to work as a **team**. So, turn up the AC, buckle up and be safe!



Above: The Anderson Concrete antique truck in the Upper Arlington 4th of July Parade, Stan Ward driving.
Below: The Anderson Concrete Pelotonia truck with some fans at COSI's Science of Big Machines Exhibit.



Anderson Concrete Summer Outing

Where: Kings Island, Mason, Ohio

When: Sunday, August 18th

Park is open from 10am–10pm

Lunch provided 12pm–1:30pm

Who: Employees & Retirees, up to 4 guests

All tickets include admission to Kings Island & Soak City Water Park, lunch at Picnic Grove & a parking pass.

* Maps and tickets will be distributed beginning August 5th.

* Please RSVP by Friday, July 26th to the Anderson Concrete HR Department.

