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*"It's not the critic
that counts, not the
man who points out
how the strong man
stumbles, or where
the doer of deeds
could have done
better. The credit
belongs to the man
who is actually in
the arena".*

**Theodore
Roosevelt**



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Penn Warehousing & Distribution, Inc. **Goin' Green**

Penn Warehousing & Distribution, Inc. has been pursuing various modalities to conserve and reduce their energy consumption and related costs. As part of this project, Penn has refitted the lighting systems in the warehouses and employed the use of sensors to extinguish lights when not needed. As a result of this energy conservation initiative, Orion Energy Systems has conferred upon Penn the Environmental Stewardship Award because of displacing 140,048 kwh annually

having the equivalent of planting 26 acres of trees, removing 1,850 tons of airborne pollutants and saving 231,222 gallons of gasoline.

Penn has engaged two energy consulting firms to assist the company in exploring alternative forms of energy conservation and creation. Some of the alternative measures being explored include co-generation, data center heat recovery, replacement of window air conditioners with a ductless split heat pump, outdoor lighting upgrades

and other systems. In addition, Penn has contracted with Reliable Power in joining a consortium of power purchasers to realize the cost savings associated with this type of power contracting.

Penn is committed to do its part for energy conservation. In so doing, everyone becomes a winner including the environment that we all enjoy. In months to come, Penn will emerge as a very "green" company as a result of these strategic energy management plan initiatives.

**AT PENN, WE ARE DOING OUR PART TO PRESERVE OUR ENVIRONMENT
FOR THE NEXT GENERATION!**

9/11 Remembered 10 Years Later

September 11, 2011 marked the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center in New York and at the Pentagon in Virginia.

People all around our nation gathered to remember the nearly 3000 people killed on that tragic day, and how those events forever changed our country.

The National September

11 Memorial was unveiled at a ceremony at Ground Zero in New York on 9/11/11. The memorial is a tribute of remembrance and honor to those who lost their lives in the attacks.

The Memorial's twin reflecting pools are nearly an acre in size and feature the largest man-made waterfall in North America. The pools sit below where the Twin Towers

once stood and the names of every person who died in the attacks are inscribed into bronze panels edging the Memorial pools.

The Memorial is a powerful reminder of the largest loss of life resulting from a foreign attack on American soil and the greatest single loss of rescue personnel in American history.



World Maritime Day

Every year the International Maritime Organization (IMO) celebrates World Maritime Day. The exact date is left to individual governments, but is usually celebrated during the last week in September. The day is used to celebrate the international maritime industry's contribution towards the world's economy, especially in shipping. The day is also used to focus on the

importance of shipping safety, maritime security, marine environment, piracy and stewardship.

This day has been observed in the United States since 2006.

This year, North American World Maritime Day Observance will be held on October 27 at the Marriott Waterside located in Tampa, Florida. Admission is free and open to the public.

New Hires:

Michael Golden

Mark Griffin

Patrick Tobin

Welcome!



Workplace Safety Committee

The Department of Labor and Industry has approved our Application for Certification Renewal of our Workplace Safety Committee effective September 30, 2011. Our initiative in establishing and maintaining this certified committee demonstrates our strong commitment to workplace safety. Thank you to everyone for making Pennsylvania a safer place in which to work.



Annual Safety Committee Training

September 28, 2011 – The safety team members at Penn received the required Annual Safety Committee Training provided by Jane LaGreca of Safety & Risk Specialist, Inc.

The training included the roles and responsibilities of the Safety Committee Members, how to properly conduct a hazard

assessment/inspection and the role of the Safety Committee in the Incident/Accident Investigation process. Committee Members completed a training exercise that included completing and reviewing an accident. The Safety Committee also discussed unsafe conditions, unsafe behaviors, contributing factors and corrective

actions.

The Safety Committee Members completed an inspection and discussed temporary and permanent solutions to the findings of that inspection.

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Safety Team Members
(L-R) Bill Collins, Shanna Gattuso, Donna Lasch and Brian Smith

PPI Transport Symposium, 19

John Brown, President of Penn Warehousing & Distribution, Inc., and Tom Mutz, Director of Global Business Development, attend the PPI Transport Symposium, 19 held on October, 11 to 14 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The PPI Transport Symposium is the longest running conference and exhibition dedicated to the global

forest products logistics industry.

The event is organized by RISI, the leading information provider for the global forest products industry, in partnership with the IFPTA (International Forest Products Transport Association) and focuses on the issues surrounding the worldwide transport,

materials handling and distribution of forest products.

Penn Warehousing & Distribution, Inc. brochures and CD's highlighting Penn's products and services were available at the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority booth exhibit. Visit www.transportsymposium.com.



Employee Spotlight – Donna Lasch

Donna joined the PENN Team on January 24, 2011.

Donna's responsibilities at Penn include serving as Receptionist, Administrative Assistant and Shipping Clerk. Donna is also a member of Penn's Workplace Safety Committee.

Prior to her employment with Penn, Donna worked for 21 years for Honeywell Scanning & Mobility. She was laid off due to production moving overseas.

Donna currently resides in Williamstown, New

Jersey. In her free time she enjoys biking, gardening, music and, most recently, is learning to play the guitar.

Donna brings to the Penn Team her previous job stability, professionalism, the ability to multitask and the willingness to learn new tasks. .

When asked what challenges she faces this year, Donna was quick to reply, "Learning to deal with the traffic traveling to work from New Jersey to Philadelphia every day!"



COMMENTS? SUGGESTIONS?

This is your *Port Side Post*! If you have ideas for future articles or information you'd like to see included in *The Port Side Post*, please let us know. To submit ideas or suggestions, please contact:

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