



The Clothes Line

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Pure Michigan Summer

Greetings CLS Team Members,

There are so many things to do here in the beautiful state of Michigan during the summer. Maximize your summer by planning ahead for that canoe trip, camping up north, exploring the lakeshore, shopping, or any of the other fun activities that are around us. Visit www.michigan.org to discover what Michigan has to offer. We hope you take time to enjoy new things with friends and family!



On June 1, we are welcoming our District Service Managers from all CLS locations to Kalamazoo for a day. Bringing our Managers together in one location for a day of training, planning, and idea sharing is a great way to strengthen the CLS Service Team. We are looking forward to their visit!

EFFICIENCY UPDATES

We have been working hard across the company to gain efficiencies. The Administration Department has been converting as many Vendors to ACH automated payments versus mailing physical checks. This has cut down on time and office supplies needed for processing payments. We also have been working on moving Customers to ACH to pay for their products and services received from CLS. Lastly, we have been working to reroute our locations to save miles driven between customers. Over time as we add and lose customers, our routes begin to overlap causing trucks to cross over and drive unnecessary miles. Completing a reroute straightens out our delivery sequence of Customers and saves miles driven and fuel consumed. Reroutes have already completed in Alpena, we are currently working on Cadillac, and Livonia will be next!

MANCHESTER CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Slow progress has been made over the last few weeks with our new addition. Last week the concrete floor was poured and this week the steel structure has begun to take shape. More exciting news to come as the project unfolds. Stay tuned...



SAFETY MESSAGE

Each month we remind each of you to be safe at home and while at work. June is National Safety Month so we would like to raise even more awareness on the importance of Safety. CLS works hard every day to provide a workplace free from safety hazards. Please be sure to report anything that you feel is unsafe to a Leader or Manager.

Let's make this summer our best one yet! Together as a Team we will continue to be successful in providing excellent products and services to our valuable Customers. Thank you for being part of the CLS Family!

Sarah, Kurt, Ron

SUMMER SAFETY



Summer officially begins on June 21. Before you dust off your sandals, grills, and beach bags, let's talk about how to have the best summer possible by staying safe!



Wear Sunscreen Daily

You can reduce the risk of skin cancer by wearing sunscreen daily. Summer activities bring most people outdoors and wearing sunscreen can help protect your skin from harmful rays and early-onset wrinkles. The American Academy of Dermatology recommends applying sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher. Since no sunscreen can block all of the sun's UV rays, be sure to wear items that can help protect yourself. Wearing sunglasses and a hat can help shade your eyes and face. People with sensitive skin are more likely to burn quickly.

Have a First Aid Kit Together

Be prepared for all of the injuries that summer brings, scrapes, scratches, bites, and more! Keeping it stocked with disinfectant spray and antibiotic ointment will protect these injuries after they occur. Having one at home or in your car for unexpected accidents can be handy. Items for your first aid kit could include, but are not limited to, gauze pads, medical tape, bandages, eye protection, and alcohol wipes!



Watch your Grill

Summertime is perfect for outdoor grilling and eating. Make sure you keep your grill at least 10 feet away from your house and you never grill inside! Grilling can be fun, but turn dangerous quickly. Never leave the grill unattended when it's in use.

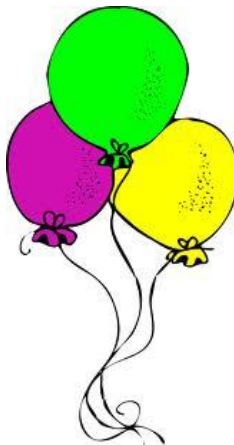
Stay Hydrated

Body fluids are lost through sweat which happens more in the summertime. If you plan on being outdoors for long periods, bring water or other hydrating beverages with you. Consuming foods with higher water content, such as watermelon, cucumbers, and lettuce, can also help you stay hydrated to avoid heat illness.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Fatima Camarena	June 1
Jemar Duckett	June 4
Christine Rantz	June 9
Sara Bergstrand	June 10
Griselda Mares	June 10
Rachel Parker	June 11
Mabel Gomez	June 14
Beth Pierson	June 16
Nathan Strzelecki	June 22
Aaron Reason	June 24
Franco Martinez Jr.	June 24
Cristina Elias	June 24
Dana Duncan	June 25
Terecita Mejia	June 27
Lindsey Peters	June 28
Hector Reyes	June 30



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Kurt Vander Meer	42 Years
Bob Slobin	23 Years
Josefina Torres	21 Years
Claudia Cervantes	16 Years
Rosa Maria Ramiro Mejia	15 Years
Julie Pueblo	7 Years
Quierra Stevenson	3 Years
Stacy Ackley	3 Years
Victoria Lopez	1 Year
Armando Garcia Gama	1 Year
Araceli Arcos Gomez	1 Year
Elizabeth Simbron Francisco	1 Year
Clelia Berfalia Mendoza	1 Year
Martha Santiago Martinez	1 Year
Noelia Antonio Hernandez	1 Year

UP-COMING EVENTS



To celebrate summer, we will be sending out a **Summer This or That** form that can be filled out online or in person. Make sure to send it to Kendall Schut by June 27 to have your name entered into the summer raffle!

Attention Branches, RSPs, and Relay Drivers! Golf Trivia will be sent out on June 6. Make sure to fill out the paper and send it back to Kendall Schut or submit it online. Entries will be accepted until the end of the day on June 9 to be entered into the raffle. Best of luck!!



Summer Spirit Week

June 20th-24th



Monday June 20

Tie-Dye Day



Tuesday June 21

Hawaiian Day



Wednesday June 23

Neon Day



Thursday June 23

Sunglasses / Hat Day



Friday June 24

Flashback/Dress like
any decade!



PLINKO CHALLENGE

PLINKO WINNERS



Sandy Amates



Lindsey Peters



Franco Martinez



Marcia Aguirre



James Mathews

PEOPLE ON A ROLL

Christine Rantz



Christine Rantz is being promoted to Accountant from Accounts Payable Specialist!

Christine is looking forward to continuing to drive measurable efficiencies with Accounts Payable processes and assisting the Accounting Team with various financials. Her responsibilities will include projects that will help CLS continue to grow and prosper. Her favorite season is summer because she enjoys sitting on the deck with a good book and taking weekend trips in the camper. A fun fact about Christine is that she is an avid seamstress. She has been sewing for 20 years and enjoys the process of creating her own clothes.

We are so glad to have you as a part of the CLS Team Christine!! Congratulations!



HAPPY RETIREMENT



John Schoff worked for CLS in the Maintenance department since 2010. We have enjoyed working with you for these last 12 years and you will surely be missed. From all of us at CLS, we wish you the best! Congratulations on your retirement!

WELCOME NEW HIRES



Heather Yingling
Accounting Department
Favorite color: Lime Green
Hobbies Include: Going to the beach, shopping at flea markets and thrift stores
What makes her laugh the most? Her grandson
How many states have you been to? 15 different states and most of the Caribbean Islands



David VanDyke
Facility Coordinator
Favorite color: Purple
Pets: Two dogs one named Henry and Lucario Mastodon
Hobbies: Playing guitar in an AC/DC cover band called OCD/C
How many states have you been to? 40 different states
Who inspires you most? Sherri his wife because she is a real go-getter and a very disciplined individual



Adam VanSweden
RSP-Kalamazoo Branch
Favorite color: Midori Green
Pets: 11-year-old husky named Mila
Hobbies: Camping and riding motorcycles
Motivation and Inspiration: Mostly by family
Friends describe you as: Outgoing, usually a glass-half-full kind of guy



John Bodnar
RSP-Cadillac
Favorite color: Royal Blue
Pets: Two dogs
Hobbies: Hunting, fishing, ski/snowboard, play video games, hike, bike, camp and lawn care
How many states have you been to? 15 different states and nine different countries
Inspiration: Comes from his grandfather



Jeff Penning
RSP- Grand Rapids
Favorite color: Blue
Hobbies: Golfing and going to the gun range
How many states have you been to? 22 different states
Friends describe you as: Funny, kind, loyal
Inspiration: His grandpa



Matt Worley
RSP- Kalamazoo
Favorite color: Purple
Pets: Two ferrets named Ross and Luis
Hobbies: Traveling to different restaurants
How many states have you been to? 11 different states
Friends describe you as: relaxed, fun to be around, easy-going and extroverted



Rosa Garcia
Garment Department
Favorite color: Red
Hobbies: Likes to dance
Laughs the most: At her crazy kids
Motivation and Inspiration: Is her family
Friends describe you as: Relaxed and calm



Angel Gomez Mizrahi
Linen Make-Up
Favorite color: Blue and Pink
Pets: German Shepherd
Hobbies: Likes to go to the beach and go hiking
How many states have you been to? Three different states



Juana Irazema Cota Mendoza
Linen Make-Up
Favorite color: Pink
Hobbies: Playing Volleyball
Motivation and Inspiration: Her children
Friends describe you as: Happy and always ready to help others



Andrea Gutierrez Alvarado
Quality Team-Kalamazoo
Favorite color: Blue
Hobbies: Going to the gym and walking her dog
How many states have you been to? 10 different states
Motivation: Living in the moment because life is the best gift
Friends describe you as: Brave, patient, outgoing, friendly, responsible and empathetic