



Lone Star News

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Lone Star Transportation Joins Forces with Daseke, Inc.

Daseke is the parent company of a family of open deck/specialty transportation carriers serving the U.S. and Canada. Together, we are creating the 2nd largest open deck/specialized carrier in North America serving 49 states, Canada, and Mexico.

We have joined this unique and wonderful family of specialized carriers in order to enhance our services and increase opportunities for all our employees and valued customers. The Daseke philosophy is to invest in great people, provide them with the resources they need to succeed, and then stay out of their way. That's the way we've always operated, too, so it's a great match.

Most importantly, joining with Daseke will not change our company's leadership, management, or brand, nor will we be consolidating any operating functions. Lone Star will continue to stand autonomously, proudly displaying our Lone Star signage on all of our equipment and terminal locations.

Our exciting journey continues as we enter this next chapter stronger than ever, and we can't wait to see what the future holds for our Lone Star family. So buckle up and remember—always ride for the brand.

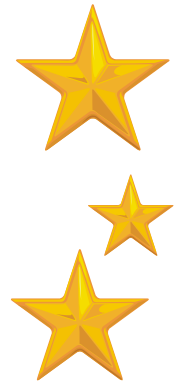
Lone Star Beauty!



(Above) - A beautiful picture, taken in Denver, Colorado, was submitted for the newsletter by Lone Star Transportation driver Terry O'Brien (900324). Terry has been with Lone Star since 01/29/2009. Thanks Terry!!!



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2013 Driver of the Year

The 2013 Lone Star Driver of the Year was announced during National Driver's Appreciation Week. This year's winner is Kenneth Cantwell (4604), out of our Seguin terminal. Kenneth qualified with Lone Star on January 18, 2005, and he has exhibited a high level of professionalism and has proven over time to be a safe and compliant operator. Congratulations, Kenneth Cantwell!



Special Gift Card Winners

As part of National Driver's Appreciation Week, 5 lucky drivers were randomly selected to win \$200 gift cards. Jerry Hall, 920009 (Left) with his Driver Manager James Hester, Dale Hollon, 240144 (Center), James Lovett, 900500 (Right), Mark Murry, 900311 (no photo) and Fermin Reyes, 350141 (no photo)

Safe Drivers of the Month - 3rd Quarter 2014

July - James Strickland, Truck 900424. James has been with Lone Star since February 23, 2012.

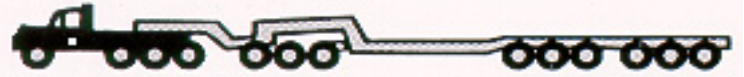
August - Kenny Brazeal, Truck 6446. Kenny has been with Lone Star since April 3, 2014.

September - Woody Gamero, Truck 350052. Woody has been with Lone Star since September 27, 1990.

******* Daily Thanks *******

As part of National Driver's Appreciation Week, we posted daily "Thank You" messages that were shared with all Lone Star Team members via marker boards, emails, satellite messaging, and posting on the Lone Star Web Site.

- Thank you for your dedication and loyalty to Lone Star. Your commitment to the trucking industry is crucial for the success of our nation.
- Operating a CMV on our nation's highway system is extremely dangerous. Your safe actions protect you and the motoring public. Thank you.
- We appreciate your sacrifice. You say good-bye to your families to supply the needs of the nation.
- Being a professional truck driver is not just a job; it's a way of life. Thank you!
- Although you are one of 3.2 million professional truck drivers, you are special to Lone Star. Thank you for all you do!

Lone Star Loads. . .

(Above) - John Heitzman (908251) hauled this Control Station, 145' long x 22' wide x 18' high, from Conroe, Texas to Port Arthur, Texas. John has been with Lone Star as an Owner Operator and Company driver for over almost 20 years! **(Below) - Michael Muentner (140047)** hauled this 216,000 pound Dipper Bucket, 120' long x 15' 10" wide x 16' 6" high, from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Houston, Texas. Michael has been with Lone Star for over 7 years!



(Below) - Andy Whitaker (9015) hauled this 198,000 pound 374 Excavator, 110' long x 13' wide x 15' high, from Galveston, Texas to Austin, Texas. Andy has been with Lone Star for over 8 years!





Laredo Team Work – After being assigned to move wind tower base sections from Monclova Coahuila, Mexico to Jacksboro, Texas, the Lone Star team demonstrated Great Team Work . Keep up the great work you all do! All of us at Lone Star appreciate you!

In the photo from Left to Right - Gilberto Sanchez (Laredo Yard), Ricardo Estrada (Shop Mechanic), Armando Rubio (Laredo Maintenance), Alejandro Carreon (Laredo Yard), Joe Benavides (Laredo Terminal Manager), Darrel Bolin (900383), Bo Jones (Field Supervisor), Joscardo Conde (Laredo Local Driver), Dal Lorentz (Laredo Crane Operator), Junior Talley (Escort) , Mark Talley (Escort)

Standard of Excellence - *Sometimes we feel as if people only notice when we do something wrong ... below are examples reported to the Safety Department of Lone Star Drivers doing something right and maintaining a professional image.*

- **Thomas Robinson (900405)** – Adhering to Policy – It was reported that while at a shipper's location you were asked to move your load while unsecured, but you held to company policy and did not move until the load was sufficiently secured to safely move out of the way, as requested.
- **Todd Wood (900121)** – Driver Alert - The caller commented that you were doing a good job and felt you were a safe and professional driver.
- **John Byrd (900439)** – Driver Alert - The caller complimented on your driving in the Houston area, stating that you maintained the proper lane, paid very close attention while driving through a construction area, that your load was properly secured, and overall you represented Lone Star in an impressive and positive manner.
- **Kevin Corbett (3320)** – Peer Recognition - A fellow driver complimented you on your driving in the Sweetwater area. The driver noted that your load was properly secured, you used caution and signaled when changing lanes, exercised patience by following at a safe distance in slow and moderately heavy traffic, and you overall represented Lone Star in an impressive and positive manner.
- **Spencer Russell (900479)** – Driver Alert - The caller complimented you on your driving ability. The caller claims that you were doing a good job, and felt you were a safe and professional driver.
- **Earnest Rester (900497)** – Driver Alert - The caller complimented you on your driving ability. The caller claims that you were doing a good job, keeping a safe following distance, and felt you were a safe and professional driver.



Monkey Business
(Left) Terrance Hershberger (900494) gets a visit from a monkey while waiting for his truck at a Petro in West Memphis.

Tight Fit
(Right) Jared Galyean (140013) moves this dump bed 43' long x 25' wide x 12' high, from Pharr, Texas to



Lone Star Driver's Safety Awards Accident-Free Years 2nd Quarter 2014

One Year - Jacket		Three Years - Luggage		Eight Years - Diamond (3)	
Adams, John	900398	Ferguson, Mark	900111	Avilez, Jose	350059
Akins, Joseph	900312	Fletcher, Philip	9010	Flores, Joe	1548
Barnes, Donny	140092	Garza, Frankie	8614	Lora, Hector	350061
Bergeron, Thomas	900328	Harden, Joseph	240174	Wilson, Jerry	900374
Buchanan, Scott	900443	Hollon, Dale	240144	Nine Years - Diamond (4)	
Core, Michael	240173	Lee, Joseph	900436	Mitchell Sr., Mike	1591
Defend, Michael	900145	Lopez, Nery	350036	Spradlin, Allen	900307
Gange, Michael	900447	Matos, Pedro	240076	Ten Years - Diamond (5)	
Moore, James	900168	McKinley, James	900119	Martinez, Richard	320027
Morgan, Warren	900452	Mumphrey, Adrian	5299	McWilliams, Joe	9012
Schneider, Randy	900432	Sanchez, Julio	350221	Eleven Years - \$500	
Stacks, John	900341	Schuster, John	900420	Sumrall, Brian	7339
Sweetser, Anthony	900102	Tanksley, Braswell	240146	Twelve Years - \$1000	
Williams, Chris	900339	Wood, Todd	900441	Dodson, Lawrence	6247
Williams, Wayne	900419	Four Years - Coat		Reeves, Bret	8297
Two Years - Watch		Caldwell, Victor	7394	Fourteen Years - \$2000	
Flesher, Rodney	900156	Cisneros, Carlos	350220	Bures, Kenneth	6718
Flynn, Timothy	900160	Gonzalez, Jesus	320186	Saenz, Ramiro	8653
Fuentes, Humberto	320196	Gray, Chris	900303	Fifteen Years - \$2500	
Gonzalez, Juan	1535	Novian, Phillip	1550	Broussard, Howard	900247
Hights, Ronnely	9014	Olivas, Manuel	1521	Eades, Tim	358343
Key, Brian	900334	Five Years - Ring		Isley, Roger	900354
Ramones, Juan	900444	Harris, Marvin	900366	Shephard, Glenn	7461
Rasbeck, John	7403	Six Years - Diamond (1)		Sixteen Years - \$3000	
Rowan, Richard	3337	Robertson, Johnny	6480	Gomez, Ignacio	9016
Wiltshire, Keith	900138	Whitehead, Rory	7386	Woodard, Essie	1153
Three Years - Luggage		Seven Years - Diamond (2)		Nineteen Years - \$4500	
Bryant, Archie	240148	Gilbody, David	900310	Johanson, Brian	908251
Burk, Jimme	900000	Pate, Donald	5207		

Congratulations to:

Martha Sellers, Fort Worth Insurance Clerk, and her husband Troy as they became Great Grandparents on July 28, 2014, with the birth of Gabriel Baker. The new parents are Martha's grandson Chris Baker and his wife Jodie of Manhattan, KS.

Monica Martinez, Fort Worth Fuel Tax Clerk, on the birth of her new granddaughter, Gia Amelia Alvarez, who was born on September 3, 2014. Gia weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 21" long. The new parents are Emilio and Alicia Alvarez .

Condolences to:

Lawrence Burns, Driver (140032), whose father, Larence Burns, passed away on August 11, 2014.

Brian Johanson, Driver (908281), whose mother, Olivia Johanson, passed away on August 11, 2014.

Martha Sellers, Fort Worth Insurance Clerk, whose brother, Jimmy Porter, passed away on August 13, 2014, in Abilene, Texas.

John Heitzman, Driver (908251), whose father, Donald Edmund Heitzman Sr., passed away on August 14, 2014.

Leticia Gutierrez, Laredo CSR Clerk, whose brother, Roberto Saucedo, passed away on September 6, 2014.

Agustin "Jimmy" Martinez (350079), on the loss of his son, Rudy Guzman Martinez, who passed away on September 20, 2014, in Crystal Beach, Texas.

Kyle Delong, Driver (900415) and Tim Delong, Driver (900410), on the loss of their grandmother, Majel Delong, who passed away on September 22, 2014, in Circleville, Ohio.

Mike Fiedler, Driver (9013), whose father, William Fiedler, passed away on September 24, 2014, as a result of an auto accident.

Jesse Amaya, Driver (9013), whose father, Jesus V. Amaya Sr., passed away on October 10, 2014, in Corpus Christi, TX.



(Left) - Hugo Bonacci, VP of HR with his son Hugo Bonacci as they finished the Old College Tri in Denton, TX. This was a Sprint Triathlon where the participants swam 250 meters, biked 12 miles and ran 3 miles.
Time - 1 :38
Not Bad!!!



(Left) Congratulations to Tausha Kemp and Matt Reeves on their wedding October 20, 2014 at Clark Gardens in Mineral Wells, TX. Tausha is the daughter of **Mark and Glenda Lemon (900216)**.
(Right) Justin Tyrel Strickland, grandson of **James Strickland (900424)** loves his Lone Star hat!



(Left) Jim McKenzie (seen on the right), **Sweetwater Terminal Manager**, accepts the appointment of interim Mayor of Sweetwater, Texas. Jim has been actively involved in the Sweetwater community and has been serving on the city council.
(Right) Gonzalo "Speedy" San Miguel, Sweetwater Driver Manager with his son Chris as Chris received his veteran's stole from Texas Tech in preparation of his graduation in August with his Bachelor's degree.

