Miller Pipeline’s very own Brad Heck was inducted into the Midwest Energy Association (MEA) Hall of Fame this past August for 2014. The MEA was founded as a trade association over 100 years ago by distribution utilities, whose vision was to improve safety and efficiency. Today these utility companies benefit from MEA’s industry learning seminars, operation summits, and other events. Members who are inducted into MEA’s Hall of Fame are those who exemplify the spirit of great leaders, by contributing their time and expertise to the energy industry through service to MEA.

Brad has been part of the MEA for almost 30 years when MEA was first known as MGA (Midwest Gas Association). Heck worked with the MEA when the concept of OQ (operator qualification) was just being formed and was an influential instrument in MEA’s success in the industry. Heck served as a chairmain for three years of the OQ Steering Committee and is currently serving on the MEA board. Also, he is an active liason and informant of OQ and helps with projects and strategic plans when needed. Brad received his award at the MEA’s Annual Gas Operations Conference. President of MEA, Patrick Van Beek (pictured below), stated “It was such a big surprise for Brad to be inducted. It was kept such a surprise that Brad was not aware he was supposed to attend an award ceremony. I had to make a trip over to where he was presenting and congratulate him!”

At the corporate office in Indiana, Brad is the Director of Compliance. His most recent influence has been coordinating and establishing the re-evaluation of Operator Qualifications for nearly 2,000 employees.
RUNNING FOR 811
In early August, Call 811 organized & sponsored a 5K Run/Walk to support Operation Warm around Lake Calhoun, located in Minneapolis. Minnesota Limited employees were able to participate in the fun! Minnesota Limited was a sponsor of the event and representatives from CenterPoint, Excel Energy, Enbridge, KOCH, BP Pipelines attended with informational booths and giveaways at the safety fair. Additionally, Connexus Energy provided a live electrical demonstration teaching the effects of coming in contact with electricity/power lines using dummies and live wires. Around 316 total attendees participated in this event.

All proceeds from the race went to Firefighters Operation Warm, an organization providing warm winter coats to children in need which is supported by Minneapolis & St. Paul Firefighters. Operation Warm was started in 2002 to counter childhood poverty and the lack of adequate winter clothing.

A major motivation for this run was to inform people of the “Call Before you Dig” number, 811. A special thanks to Terri Birkholtz, Abby Kemp, Mark Klimbal, Tehar Ramert, Jessica Rindy, Nicole Sotolova, Sara Younsg and Cassie Yuker for participating and helping MN Limited to support this great cause!

MILLER GIVES BACK
Thirty volunteers from the Indianapolis area volunteered time away from their daily tasks to build a better community with Habitat for Humanity on two separate days. With blue skies and perfect weather the first build day, the crews were able to surpass the daily expectations of the Habitat site supervisor by completing a list of projects such as finishing the framing for the house, installing beams for the front porch, preparing for the roof truss system, and installing four windows.

“I really enjoyed volunteering and being a part of this day,” Victor Wiles, laborer, stated.

The second build day, the volunteer group once again exceeded Habitat’s expectations. The house progress began behind schedule (due to rainouts with other groups the week prior,) but finished on schedule again with Miller’s help and expertise. Blazing sun and damp heat didn’t stop the group from enclosing the entire roof and framing all the windows. Although very challenging, volunteers still left with smiles on their faces. “Not only are we helping out the community but we do it as a team,” said John Richardson, operator. “It’s great to meet people from the different departments and finally put a face to a name after all these years.”

This is the fourth year Miller Pipeline has partnered as a corporate sponsor with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis. “This was my first time helping with Habitat for Humanity with Miller Pipeline and it was hard work but so much fun,” mentioned Laura Babij, communications specialist. “Seeing everyone work together as a team was impressive; each day we left sweaty, dirty, and tired but with a smile!”

SHIRLEY CALHOUN
Administrative Assistant
Dover, OH
On May 21, 2014 three Minnesota Limited employees left their Columbia Gas site in Sugar Grove, Ohio to get a sandwich. As they were driving south on Route 33, they came upon a two vehicle accident that had just occurred. They parked their company truck, preparing to help the passengers in the car. Two more cars pulled over to help, of which were a nurse and a paramedic. Realizing the situation with the drivers was under control, the three employees turned their attention to the traffic. Utilizing the flashing lights on their company truck, as well as flags, the men began to direct traffic around the crash scene. A state police trooper came and asked them to continue to work with the traffic while he assessed the situation. After quite some time they noticed a helicopter circling overhead, and the state trooper motioned them to stop all traffic. A life line helicopter landed in the North bound lane. Within minutes, a second life flight helicopter was landed in the south bound lane. Passengers from both vehicles were safely flown from the scene. Thank you to these employees who went beyond the call of duty!

How long have you worked with Minnesota Limited? How did you get started here? I worked for Dover Contracting in June 2008 and a friend of mine was a welder for Dover who had Russ Hawk call me when he needed an Office Manager. Dover was then sold to Miller Pipeline which then our division was incorporated with Minnesota Limited.

What is your favorite part of your current job? I enjoy working with payroll and using the Equential program.

What are some of your hobbies? I enjoy walking our dog, car shows and motorcycles.

What’s the most unusual job you’ve ever had? When I was a teenager, my friend and I worked at Stark County Fair one time and our job was to take pictures and make into buttons. We thought it was great to get paid and also be able to go to the fair anytime we wanted and not have to pay admission.

What date on your calendar are you looking forward to and why? I don’t have a specific date, we usually take a vacation between my husband’s birthday, September 25th and my birthday, November 3rd.

**LEAN IN: OUR ROAD TO IMPROVEMENT UPDATE**

5S activity continues with an efficiency overhaul of our sewer camera rigs. So far, seventeen of the 25 trailers have been completed, with the goal to reach the rest by the end of the year. Each trailer is delivered to the Columbus, OH office where it is completely stripped out (SORT), and cameras and cables are thoroughly cleaned and repaired if necessary (SHINE). Next, the trailer is set up with a more efficient layout, all shelves and bins are labeled, and each crew is appropriated tools for any job they could encounter (SET IN ORDER). The last step is making sure protocols and checklists are put in place to STANDARDIZE and SUSTAIN the improvements. The entire process takes around three full days. A big THANK YOU to: Russ Ibold, Chad Lowe, Scott Sherriff, Beeman Morrison, Darryl Rooker and John Norton. Without your help, we wouldn’t have such an organized fleet of equipment, of which we can all be very proud!

**OHIO COMPLETES ANNUAL CONFINED SPACE AND RESCUE TRAINING**

Four offices in Ohio and around thirty employees recently completed their annual confined space and man rescue training. The training focused specifically on the situations our sewer locators could encounter on a job site. Regional Technical Trainers, Raleigh Isaacs and Dave Miller teamed up to facilitate the all day training sessions. “In Ohio, we perform this type of training on an annual basis,” said Raleigh, “it’s really helpful and meaningful to the employees to know exactly what to do if they encounter any type of emergency while working.” After passing an equipment fit test, a pulmonary function test, and receiving their blood-born pathogen immunizations, participants in the training underwent a series of mock emergency sessions, as well as training in the use of the Miller Intruder winch system (top right), four gas monitors and air movers. Employees ran through scenarios ranging from medical issues to toxic gas fumes filling the sewer lines. Equipped with SCBA rescue gear, as well as 10-minute oxygen rescue hoods (both pictured at left) each employee had a turn at running through procedures. One group even trained inside a 23 foot deep manhole!

“We get a really positive response from this training each year,” said Dave. “it really puts things into perspective at how dangerous our jobs can sometimes be.”
MINNESOTA LECET SAFETY DRIVEN AWARDS

The Minnesota LECET (Laborers-Employers Cooperative and Education Trust) has announced the recipients of their Safety Driven Awards for the second quarter, and three of Minnesota Limited’s laborers are among those being recognized! Congratulations to Brian Brady, Daryl Larson and Tom Moen, who were nominated by their peers and chosen to receive this honor!

The Minnesota LECET Safety Driven incentive program was established in 2007 as a way to recognize both Laborers Union members and Signatory Contractors for their commitment to and strong results in the area of construction safety. The goal of the Safety Driven program is to reduce injuries, illnesses and the resulting workers compensation costs, while improving productivity and overall construction job site safety. To be eligible, nominees must have no lost time or recordables due to a work-related accident or illness, have obtained at least 250 field hours of work in a calendar quarter and be generally classified as a skilled construction craft Laborer field employee. Brian, Daryl and Tom received Safety Driven award t-shirts and are also eligible for random draw prizes administered by LECET. Additionally, all quarterly award winner names will be published in the LECET News quarterly newsletter and on the Minnesota LECET website at www.mnlecet.org. Great job to these individuals!

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