



Sabin Nugget



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I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I know 2020 has been a strange year with COVID-19, but I want to thank everyone for being safe and helping keep everyone around them safe. We have managed to continue to operate throughout this pandemic thanks to all of you. I know the holidays have been and will continue to be a little less festive due to the restrictions on travel and large gatherings, but I hope everyone enjoys the holidays and that they are able to reach out to their family and friends during these times. I truly hope that COVID-19 is under control in 2021 and we can all go back to our normal lives (as normal as it gets for some of us😊)

Thanks again and Happy Holidays!
Jim Barrett, General Manager



Fred Plimpton (Security Scottsville) completed a solo climb of Mt. Washington in northern New Hampshire, on August 17th. Fred is pictured here some 500 feet from the summit, just before final push to the top.



On 11/03/2020 **Keven Rolland** (Security) became a U.S. Citizen. Congratulations Keven welcome to the freest country in the world. (Fact-checked)



Prairie Nuggets

December 2020

Sabin Metal West workers set a pace that would make even Santa's elves jealous. In mid-December SMW surpassed the all-time received product weight record by more than 700,000 pounds.

Trucks have delivered more than 10.5 million pounds of precious metal-bearing catalyst to North Dakota as 2020 ends.

Shipping and Receiving also set a record of unloading 15 trucks in one day. Trucks were lined up outside the plant and down the street as they drivers waited their turn to unload.

A big year in what turned out to be a very different year. Fighting the Covid pandemic, production has been virtually non-stop as a team effort ensured that machines were kept running and people were kept healthy.

The different year includes a brown Christmas for northern North Dakotans!

SMW has had less than 40 positive Covid employees as North Dakota cases spiked, making North Dakota the news across the United States. As numbers soared, SMW showed a few cases as precautions like masks and distancing produced results.

Testing was implemented in August, swabbing employees to put their minds at ease and identify persons with the Covid-19 bug. People testing positive were quarantined, helping SMW control the spread within the plant.

It is also unusual that no foreign reps have visited this year.

As 2020 folds, 2021 is looking up. SMW has product to run, the virus is slowing and a vaccine is on the way! Who knows, we may see our foreign friends this year and a little snowfall ... very little snow please!



Hannah Self (above) is the latest addition to the Sabin Metal West family. She was born Oct. 30, 2020, to Colton and Miranda Self. Colton is an assistant furnace operator for SMW. Hannah graced this world at **96.24** troy ounces.

Happy Holidays!

Contributed by: Tim Penderson
– SMWC



On behalf of everyone here at SMC (Canada) we wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year. Keep healthy everyone.

Dan Cleroux

Happy Holidays from the Great North!



Employee Highlight: David Bair, Security Guard - Scottsville

As Sabin Metal celebrates its 75th anniversary, Dave has the great distinction of being older than the company he is currently working for! Dave was born in March of the same year that Sabin was founded.

He has been with the company just over 8 years, but has had a certain impact on the company and people he works with. A proud Navy veteran, Dave wants to celebrate at least his 80th birthday while still at Sabin!

Contributed by: Ed Garbowski
– SMC - Scottsville

Scottsville News

Employees News

Retired

On 7/31/20 **Charlie Flickner** (Furnace) retired after 40 years of service. Due to Covid restrictions we didn't have an official party, yet. However he did receive his watch and celebratory congratulations in the meantime. (Charlie – below left with Scott Yarnes – below right. Pre-Covid photo)



Also on 12/31/20 **Art Kemp** (Maintenance) will retire after 9 years at Sabin. Art (below right) receiving his watch from Terry McGinnis (below left).



25 Year Recipients

John Collins (HPO Supervisor) celebrated his 25 years on 07/23/20. John (below-right) receiving his tie tack from Scott Yarnes (below-left)



Doug Hesse (HGPS Supervisor) was also on hand on 07/23/20 to celebrate his 25 years of service. Doug (below-right) received his tie tack from Scott Yarnes (below-left)





On July 2, 2020 **Linda Anchor** (Formerly Dept. 47) passed away following a lengthy battle with Parkinson's. Linda was 74; she was also a graduate of Caledonia-Mumford High School. Linda (above) worked at Sabin from 12/02/1985-10/17/2003. She had a kind and gentle spirit, and always loved to laugh and join in on the constant mayhem created by mostly me. We will miss her and our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends.



Phil Hoffman (HGPS) left us on 08/29/2020. Phil (above) worked at Sabin from 09/05/1995 until his death. Phil was dedicated employee that always had a smile on his face. He enjoyed a good joke and sharing stories of hunting, and his homemade delicacies. Phil will be greatly missed and our thoughts & prayers go out to his family and friends.



Glenn Yager (Security Supervisor - Retired) passed away on 10/10/2020. Glenn (above) was employed at Sabin from 02/16/1982 until his retirement on 09/03/2011. Glenn retired to Sebring, Fl. returning to Caledonia for the summers to visit and share stories. Glenn attended various functions at Sabin after his retirement including helping out with chicken barbeques. He was always up for a good laugh even at his own expense and will be missed. Our thoughts & prayers go out to his family & friends.

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays

Again, I would like to thank everyone who helped with this edition of the Nugget. If anyone would like to share Sabin related news, from any of our locations, please contact me, **Marty Spoor** at the Scottsville Plant {585} 538-2195 ext.267 or martys@sabinmetal.com

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