

# **Sabin Nugget**

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Last month at the Sales Meeting, the sales staff gathered for the dedication of the newly renamed Jacobsen Refinery. Dr. Bob was a principal part of the development of the HPO Refinery.



Brent Vesa raising a toast to Dr. Bob, after accepting the IPMI Posthumous Award on behalf of Dr. Robert Jacobsen.



#### Bodo Albrecht receiving the IPMI Founder's Award / Paul Revere Liberty Bowl at the Awards Banquet.

# **IPMI Student Award Winner**



The IPMI Sabin Metal Ron Bleggi Award recipient is **Hanah Na** of University of Houston. Her research is focused on synthetic strategies to optimize photophysical properties of luminescent cyclometalated iridium complexes.



Mid-April IPMI offered the first "Precious Metals and Mobility Symposium" at the beautiful and conveniently located Heldrich Hotel in New Brunswick, New Jersey. It was attended by close to 60 delegates from a broad range of industries. The symposium was conceived by Bodo Albrecht, current President of IPMI, and his interest in the development of alternative power train solutions in the automotive industry. With the support of industry leaders and fellow IPMI members involved in emission control catalysts, battery and fuel cell materials and a steering committee a program was created providing insight into developments of hydrogen, fuel cell, and battery powered cars focusing on the impact on PGMs, the PGM use and market. Presentations discussed these developments, their pros and cons, geo political and legal implications that play into their future, and the impact they may have if and when gasoline powered cars become obsolete, and the need for catalytic converters will come to an end.

# **GM** Corner

**Breaking News!** 

James Barrett is a grandpa see page 4 for details.



Nuggets From the High Plains June 2018

- Tim Pederson / SMC



**Jonathon Proffitt** (center), Refining New Zealand, ventured to Sabin Metal West Corp. in April to witness the processing of the refinery's material. What is becoming a tradition, **Bob Hansen**, Director of SMC, and **Danni Thorpe**, Captain of Security at SMW, get photographed under the moose with the visiting dignitary at a local eatery.



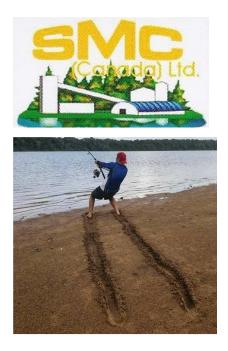
Security Captain **Danni Thorpe** (left) bids farewell to **Rick Johnson**, one of the security guards at Sabin Metal West. Johnson was a security guard for nearly 14 years at SMW. Everyone at the plant wishes Rick a happy retirement!



As one of the first hired in the Sabin Metal expansion west, **Dick Schroeder**, Maintenance Supervisor at SMW, decided to retire in May after nearly 18 years. Dick was a fixture at SMW. He reported to work every morning at 7 a.m. and was usually one of the last to leave at night. His knowledge of the equipment and where parts were buried was invaluable. Saying he will be missed is an understatement. Sabin Metal West Office Manager **Bonnie Steen** and all of us at the plant wish Dick a great retirement!



SMW Lab Supervisor **Mark Kelly** decided he had too many grandkids to be travelling and working in North Dakota! Mark began working for Sabin Metal in 1980 in Scottsville, NY, eventually coming to North Dakota to run the lab at Sabin Metal West. He also was the plant's Quality Control officer, Sabin Nugget information collector and token liberal Democrat. Everyone at the plant hopes he is enjoying his time at home, cottage and as a grandpa!



Dan Cleroux's exhausting fishing trip on the Montreal River. For the record the guy in the rowboat (about 5' 10" / 185 lbs.) spit the hook. But we all know how fishermen lie!

## **Employees News**



**Morgan Wilson** (Environmental Health & Safety Tech.) Team Captain & her team competed in The J.P. Morgan Corporate Challenge in Rochester, NY. The 10 Sabin employees participated in the 3.5 mile race on 5/22/18. Congratulations to all who attended, and next year maybe we can get more participants. Results posted below.

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1064. Matthew Cole	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			00:29:30		
1103. Morgan Wilson	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			00:29:39		
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2460. Frederick Plimpton	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			00:34:52		
3169. Chloe Williams	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			00:38:01		
4219. Richard McKay	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			00:45:25		
5930. Catherine Bundschuh	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			01:02:54		
5932. Elizabeth Gremer	SABIN METAL CO	RPORATION			01:02:54		



**Hillary Shaffer** (General Office Clerk) graduated from Genesee Community College on 5/20/18 after completing her A.A.S. in Business Administration with a concentration in Supply Management. Upon completion she took over responsibilities in Purchasing, Material Handling & assisting Human Resources at the 2018 Job fair (above with **Cathy Bundschuh**) Congratulations Hillary.



In December, John Waldon (Maint. Supervisor) above received his watch from Jim Barrett & Scott Yarnes. Then Charlie Metz (Assistant Maint. Supervisor) below with Scott Yarnes, Jim Barrett & Terry McGinnis received his watch for retirement also.



On March 15, 2018 **Tom Klein** (HPO Supervisor) with his wife Christine celebrated Tom's retirement after 37+ years at Sabin Metal. Tom got his watch and Bologna sandwich at the party held in the Main Plant break room.





On February 18, 2018 **Bill Daniels** (Maint.-Retired) passed away in Port Allegany, Pa. where he moved to following his 2012 retirement. Bill had worked at Sabin Metal for 24 years prior to his retirement. My father (**Mike Spoor**) and Bill were born and raised in the same area of Pennsylvania and would often share stories & memories from the old days. The stories always ended in laughter and smiles. He will be missed and our condolences go out to his family.



**Don Duell** (HPO) passed suddenly on May 8, 2018. Don started at Sabin Metal 1/26/81 and had been an employee for 37 years. He started shortly after I did so we shared a lot of stories and jokes over the years. Don was always willing to give you a hand and maybe a joke or two while helping you. His smile and presence will be sadly missed. Thought and prayers go out to his family.

**Dr. Robert Jacobsen's** Memorial Service will be held on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 1:00pm at the First Unitarian Church in Rochester. A reception will follow the services at the church.

Follow up to **Mark Kelly's** retirement back in New York. He has turned to Homesteading now, and plans on increasing the acreage of his garden. He is also hoping to play golf if anyone is interested just call (After 9:00am though he's retired now). As you can see (below) he's been working on his swing!



Just in - On 6/28/18 **Jim Barrett** (GM) & his wife Patti became grandparents. **Leo Arthur Tuchrello** (above) was born to Jim's daughter Fallon & her husband Garrett. Leo weighed in at 133.0 **T/O's** and was 20.5 inches. Best wishes to the Proud Parents & Grandparents!

# **Thank You**

Ok Great, 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} 538-2194 ext.267 or martys@sabinmetal.com.

Submit news for any section of the Nugget to Marty Spoor in the Furnace Area (ext. 267)

Submissions for the December issue are due by Friday, December 17, 2018