



# Sabin Nugget



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## Nitric Acid Group



The Nitric Acid Group is continuing its exciting journey. Sabin had their first cleaning at Trademark Nitrogen near Tampa Florida in November 2018. With the help of Peter Ford, and the hard work of the crew, I believe it was a successful endeavor. We are hoping to build upon this success and expand our presence in the Nitric Acid cleaning industry.

Crew pictured above left to right. Peter Ford, Les Lamphier, Doug Hesse, Ray Minisce, Dave Eldridge, Chad Shaffer, Brent Vesa, Tom Brady & photo by Jim Barrett.

We have our second gauze customer and our first customer is coming back for a second gauze.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**

**James Barrett (GM)**



## New to Sabin



The nitric acid group brought on a new member to expand their technical expertise; **Juergen Neumann** has joined the company. Below is a quick Bio for Juergen:

- Advanced studies in chemistry, with a concentration on catalysis as well as process and reaction technology
- Doctorate in technical chemistry with focus on technical chemistry, physical chemistry and catalysis
- Leading management positions in applications technology, research & development, sales and production management; most recently Business Line Manager of "Performance Catalysts" at Umicore AG & Co. KG
- August 2012 foundation of amoxEXPERT

Sabin believes that Juergen will be a vital part of the expansion of the services we offer.

I am looking forward to reporting on many more achievements in the near future.

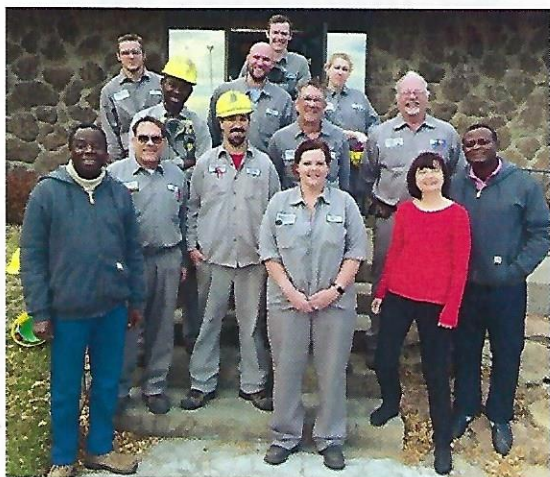




# *Prairie Nuggets*

*December 2018*

## *Visitors*



### **AXENS-WARRI**

Emmanuel Edemayibo Agbajor and Sopriye Nathaniel Briggs, representing Warri Refinery of Nigeria, accompanied by Helene Delot of Axens France, visit Sabin Metal West in Williston to witness the processing of their catalyst. This is the first catalyst SMW has received from Nigeria. The visitors are pictured with a sampling crew from SMW.



### **QAFAC**

Mansur A. Malek and Ali Al-Buinin, representing QAFAC, along with A. H. Knight rep. Frank Montoro and Ledoux rep Devin Dahl, spend time at SMW following the process of the Middle Eastern catalyst shipped from Qatar to Williston, ND. Also pictured are SMW employees Sarah Henderson, Kari Marmon, Bonnie Steen and Jim Hicks.



### **JAMAL & SAHIR**

Sonatrach reps Jamal and Sahir, from Algeria, accompany their product during processing at Sabin Metal West. This was the first product from an Algerian company received at SMW. They are pictured with SMW Security Chief Dan Thorpe who escorted them to the North Unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Park to see some buffalo.



### **AWARD**

Security Chief Dan Thorpe is recognized for his extra effort in entertaining visiting dignitaries that come to Sabin Metal West. With visitors, and now friends, from around the world, Thorpe spends long days shuttling, dining, answering questions and even getting a bucket and ladle for showering! If there is extra time, he gives them a tour of buffalo lands and painted hills of northwestern North Dakota. Presenting the plaque is Tim Pederson and Bonnie Steen.



### **CONTINGENT**

Hosted by Sabin Metal Salesperson Derek Wang and Director of Corporate Operations Bob Hansen, an East Asian contingent visits Sabin Metal West to view operations for processing their catalyst. At this time, eight different countries were represented at the Williston plant including other visiting reps.

Contributed by: Tim Pederson - SMWC



## Scottsville News

### Employees News

#### Retired

On 12/31/18 **Joan Carr** (Gov't Liaison) will be officially retired even though she has already departed on vacation to avoid all the fanfare (abuse). Joan has been with Sabin for 39 ½ years. Her immediate plans were to spoil grandkids and catch some sun in Florida. Remember Joan "Retirement Rocks"! Joan (below left) receiving her retirement watch from Jim Barrett (GM).



**Any other retirees drop us a note tell us what you're doing & we will share it with the poor schleps still working.**

#### Births



On September 29, 2018 **Mike Shellman** (HGPS) & **Stephanie Taylor**, welcomed their new daughter, **Emmalynn Jean** (above) was 19 ½ inches long and **112.1 T/O's**. Congratulations and best wishes to all!



On December 10, 2018, **Hillary Shaffer** (Purchasing) & **Chad Shaffer** (Maintenance) welcomed their second bundle of joy. **Colson Chad Shaffer** (above) was 20 ½ inches long and weighed in at **116.6 T/O's**. All are doing well including big sister Gwen.



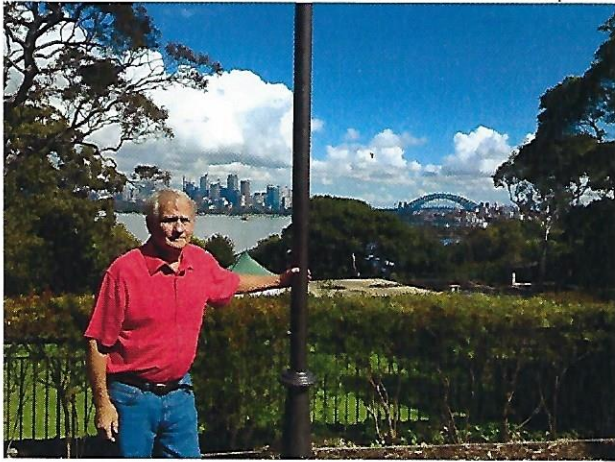
**Jacob Gasiorek** (Lab) & **Lilly Wheeler** were joined in wedded bliss on September 8, 2018 at St. Mary's Church in Geneseo, NY. Followed by a reception at Camp Stella Maris, (on Conesus Lake) with most of the Lab there to help celebrate. Best Wishes and a long and happy life together.



June 29, 2018 **Marchal Johnson** (retired) passed away unexpectedly. Marchal started at Sabin in 1987 where he worked in various departments until his retirement in 2014. In his 27 years he will be remembered for constant smile, good natured humor and willingness to help anyone in need. He will be greatly missed and our condolences go out to his family.



## Final Salute



Conrad in Sydney Australia

At the end of this year, after nearly 20 years developing business for the Sabin Metal Corporation, **Conrad Affholter** will be retiring. As many of you are aware, Conrad could sell a ketchup popsicle to a nun wearing white gloves, but some of you might not know the back story.

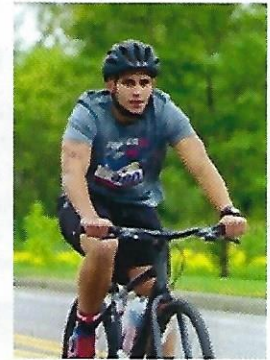
Conrad joined Sabin in February 1999 and was given a rather challenging assignment: to go out and win catalyst refining contracts from the petroleum industry BEFORE Sabin Metal West opened for business. As a matter of fact, the SMW acreage didn't even become the property of Sabin until June of 2000, and it then took almost another year of construction and installation before being ready for the first customer shipment.

Nonetheless, Conrad landed one client after another, bringing on board the likes of Chevron, Exxon and so many others. He sold the dream: that Andy and Dr. Bob and the Sabin Team were pioneering a pyro-metallurgical technology that would revolutionize the industry...and virtually every one of those customers still does business with Sabin to this day.

So before he goes off riding off into the Arizona sunset, let's all raise a toast to Conrad. To the huge portfolio of clients he brought in, to his successful career, and to wish many more years of happiness to him and his wife. Thanks from all of us!

Submitted by: Brad Cook - Vice President Sales and Marketing

## Racing On



Two members of Sabin Metal security force competed in the "Finger Lakes Triathlon" on September 9, 2018. **Fred Plimpton** (above left) and **Shane Conley** (above right) finished 193 & 206 (respectively) out of 345 entrants. Congratulations on your successful completion guys, great job.

Late note: Rumor of a 2019 rematch. Apparently Shane feels he can shave some time off by removing the training wheels next year!



Wishing all the best during the Holiday break and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to everyone.

Dan Cleroux – Sabin Canada

## 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](mailto:martys@sabinmetal.com)

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