

# Sabin Nugget

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### The Voice of Sabin Retires...again.



On 12/18/08, the voice of Sabin Metal Scottsville for almost 3 decades retired. We believe for the last time. Gail Heale recognized by her voice by employees, sales people & anyone else, whom called on a regular basis for years, has left us for a long deserved rest and to catch up on old email. Gail started in April of 1980 and was running the switchboard for 28 ½ years. She always had a pleasant voice and a kind word for anyone, when they called. Gail says she has been enjoying lunches with friends, catching up on reading & cleaning out the clutter. She misses everyone, so call once in awhile (19).

# Nuggets West June 2009

**Scott Lawrence** (Sampling) was married to Stefanie Parks on May 23 in Billings, Montana. They were engaged for 9 years and honeymooned in Las Vegas, NV. Congratulations to both- and good luck!

Bonnie Steen (Administration) just returned from Michigan where she welcomed her newest grandchild, number 12! Aurora Cathryn (right) was born May 5, weighing in at a healthy 116.7 troy ounces. And as you can see, she is beautiful



Cristina Carns, daughter of **Don Carns** (Kiln), has won the Evans-Zepp Memorial Scholarship to attend the prestigious International Music Camp at the International Peace Garden on the North Dakota-Manitoba border. She was also the only Williston High student selected this year for the North Dakota State Choir, which performs throughout the state. Great job, Crissy!

Army Captain Evan Kelly's scheduled deployment to Iraq in October has been cancelled by the Obama administration. Captain Kelly, son of **Mark Kelly** (Lab), will now be stationed at Fort Polk, LA. His unit will likely be sent to Afghanistan in 2010, which will be his second tour there. May Peace be upon him, and upon all of the men and women serving our nation.

- Mark Kelly / SMC West

### Sabin Metal History



This second segment is a brief timeline dedicated to the location. In future issues we will be showing photos and articles from different eras surrounding the site

Our many thanks to Florence Field & Barb Chapman at Wheatland Historical Society for all their information and the time they shared with us. I would like to thank the Scottsville library for their contributions too.

#### **Wheatland Center Mills**

**1890's** Wheatland Plaster Co. was organized. Later to be succeeded by the "Consolidated Wheatland Plaster Co." in the 1900's

**1903** A 3-story building with 50-horse power engine & a turbine water wheel.

1903 "Wheatland Cave Mushroom Co." leased unused mine tunnels from the plaster company for a period of 40 years. Making them the longest business to operate on the site, so far.

1913 The building was completely destroyed by fire.

1915 The plant was rebuilt with a capacity of 40 tons of wall plaster + 20 tons of land plaster daily.

1920 "Ebsary Gypsum Co." purchased the property + moved block manufacturing from Garbutt to the new Wheatland Center plant. Mr. Ebsary began manufacturing gypsum partition blocks in 1911 at the smaller Garbutt facility.

1925 Ebsary Gypsum Co. (both photos) mined about 450 tons of gypsum rock per day. They manufactured gypsum wallboard, wall plaster & plaster block. Mr. Ebsary continued to operate until 1954. The men could always tell when Mr. Ebsary was coming through the plant, because his dog was always way ahead of him.

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More photos on page 4.



# **Employees News**

Walter Moutrie (HPO) on August 29, 2008 retired after 28 years. Walt (pictured below) receiving his watch. Walt & his wife retired to Georgia to get out of the New York heat Congratulations Walt, it is quiet around here now. Best wishes on your retirement.



**Glen Yager** (Security) hit the Trifecta as Grandpa. Glen & Ida's daughter in-law Kristy delivered 3 little bundles of joy on 3/29/09. The boys Dylan, Kaelyn & Bryan (below) are all doing well. The Parents Richard & Kristy Courtney are quite busy, but don't worry though Glen is doing fine.



**Kevin Beirne** (Sales) has the Daily Double in the Grandpa lottery. Reese Mckenzie Beirne (below) arrived on Easter April 12, 2009 at 3:35 AM 3 weeks early, everyone is doing well.



Caroline Beirne Hoyer (below right) arrived April 27, 2009 at 3:07 PM weighting in at 6 lbs. 7oz (93.8 T/Os) Megan and Keith and Grandparents all doing fine.



**Everett Sayers** (Supervisor/Retired) is currently in the Batavia VA Hospital. Everett was at the Scottsville Plant before Sabin started operations. Rumor has it he may have built the first buildings on the property. It seems there isn't a part of the plant Everett did not know in his days as Yard Crew Foreman. If you would like to drop him a letter or stop by he can be reached at:

222 Richmond Ave. Batavia, NY 14020 Oak Lodge 2<sup>ND</sup> Floor Our Best Wishes to you Everett!

Mike Spoor (Maint./Retired) 68, passed away quietly in his sleep on May 7, 2009. Mike worked on the HGPS Maintenance Crew from 1978 until his retirement in 1996. He enjoyed his time at Sabin Metal, and often referred to humorous stories about himself or other employees over the years. During his retirement, Mike spent summers camping and did a little woodworking throughout the rest of the time. Mike's contagious laughter will be sadly missed.

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers, thoughts and memories during our loss. Thank You, The Family of Mike Spoor

**Kevin Beirne's** brother LTC Michael Joseph Beirne, Jr., 72, passed away on Wednesday, June 3, 2009

I would like to thank everyone for the cards and your thoughtful words regarding my brother Mike's death Thank You, The Beirne Family

# **EDUCATIONAL AWARDS IPMI**Sabin Metal Corp. Student Award

2009 - Elisa Alonso Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2008 - Timothy Cook (below) Massachusetts Institute of Technology



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### This Issues 25 Year Club

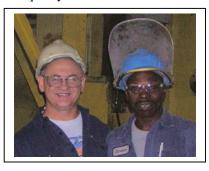
**Tom Leone** (Maint./Supervisor) Leads off the list of employees who have been at Sabin Metal Corp. for 25 years. On 8/08/08, Tom (below left) celebrated his 25<sup>TH</sup> anniversary quietly. **John Waldon** (below right) presents Tom with his tie tack.



**Terry McGinnis** (Maint. Supervisor) also took the quiet celebration option on 8/16/08. **John Waldon** (below left) presents Terry (below right) with his 25-year tie tack.



**Clarence Marshall** {Furnace) reached his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 8/22/08. Citing a need to avoid cake, Clarence (below right) also celebrated quietly.



On March 26, 2009, **Bob Thomas** (Furnace) received his 25-year tie tack from Tick Burns (below left). Bob (below right) also claiming to be shy opted for a quite celebration.



Then on June 5, 2009 we celebrated 25 years for **Betsy Gremer** (Sales)-(5/21/09), **Dennis Alwardt** (Security)-(5/29/09) & **Mara Gallo** (Dept. 47)-(6/04/09). Betsy (below left) was presented with her necklace by **Jim Barrett** (below right)



Dennis (below left) receives his tie tack from **Glen Yager** (below right)



Mara could not be present due to a family medical emergency.

### Now for a fish story....

Andrew Sabin becomes a member of "The Monster Club" with his 20 pound plus – Matapuri Peacock Bass

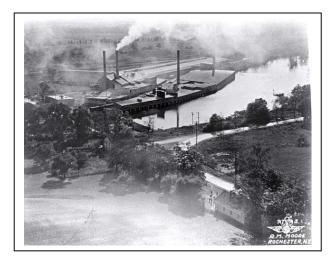


Congratulations Andrew!

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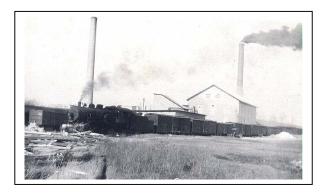
### **Ebsary Gypsum Company**



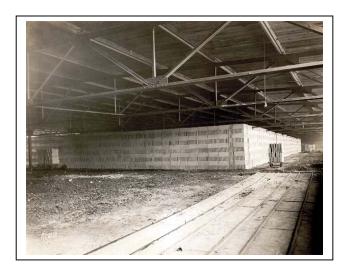
The Schoolhouse in the bottom right corner.



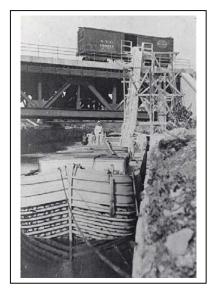
Looking at our current Lab Building.



Loaded Railcars shipping out.



A load of blocks waiting to ship.



Loading a Barge on the Oatka Creek.

### Thank You

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

HAVE A HAPPY & SAFE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY!

