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From The President's Desk



Thanksgiving is one of our most cherished holidays and most Americans are reflecting on what is most important: our families and friends, our faith, and our freedom. Wherever you are this Thanksgiving, take time to ask a blessing for those who are absent from your dinner tables, and give a special prayer for our armed forces who are in harms way.

The first American Thanksgiving was celebrated in 1621 to commemorate the harvest reaped after the preceding harsh winter. In subsequent years the Pilgrims continued their celebrations regardless of whether the harvest was large or small. Thanksgiving is upon us and we have an opportunity to look for reasons within our homes, organizations, and work environments to be thankful. Most of us had little or no control over the major events that contributed to the country's recent economic downturn. Many businesses have experienced a "harsh year" in terms of profits, stock prices, business growth, employee morale and employee retention. W.L. Hailey has been in business since 1925 and has survived and even flourished during good times and bad times. We can look to the future with optimism and confidence by remembering what people with commitment and a strong spirit can achieve.

Safety Message

In today's fast moving, technologically driven society there are a lot of distractions, especially when behind the wheel. Eating, drinking, reading a newspaper, trimming your mustache, putting on lipstick, changing CD's in your stereo and driving while drowsy are just some of the ways today's worker is distracted while driving.

A study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Virginia Tech Transportation Institute finds that almost 80 percent of crashes and 65 percent of near crashes involved some form of driver inattention within three seconds of the event.

The most publicized danger of distracted driving is use of cell phones. These days workers use cell phones for a lot more than just a conversation. A new term, telematics, has come to represent the use of technology, sending, receiving and storing information via telecommunications devices while driving. These devices can include cell phones, smart phones, PDAs, computers and GPS devices.

Avoid the temptation of distracted driving. Put your computer or day planner in the back of the vehicle, pre-set your climate control, radio or any other devices you may use. Don't wait until you're driving to plan your route or attend to personal grooming. If you're hungry or thirsty take a break. Wait till you stop, or pull over to make a phone call or send a text message or email. Even if you think you're a good driver and won't make a mistake you have to watch for other drivers who might be easily distracted. Driving is complicated enough without adding distractions.



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Contracts Awarded

Bon Aqua- Lyles WTP Improvements Lyles, TN Project Manager: Randy Pridemore	\$3,141,000
Cumming Raw Water Intake Cumming, GA Project Manager: Ryan Gutridge	\$6,371,742
Belltown Creek Diversion Ducktown, TN	\$3,532,000
Southside Interceptor Sewer Winchester, TN	\$856,000
RPV Spent Fuel Mockup Chattanooga, TN Project Manager: Bill Harworth	\$5,781,212

Employee News



Andrew (Martin) Hooper

Martin has worked in marine construction for 30 years and has worked for W.L. Hailey since 2000. His specialty is the installation of cofferdams and cells, installation of underwater pipelines, raw water intakes and outflows. He and his wife, Pamela, live in Chickamauga, Georgia and have 3 grown children and a nine year old daughter, Andrea.

Recent projects Martin has worked on include the State of Tennessee, Shelby County bridge retrofit project; the Livingston, Tennessee Raw Water Intake project; and the Norris Lake Water Treatment Plant.



Thomas (Tim) Garnette

Tim is an ex-Navy bomb disposal diver. He began work in marine construction in 1973 as a diver and bridge blaster. He has worked on most of the Nation's major waterways, the Great Lakes, and in Canada and Puerto Rico. He became a partner in a successful diving and marine

contracting company, which they sold to a large service provider for the petroleum industry.

Tim began working for W.L. Hailey in 2001. Significant Hailey jobs he's worked on include the State of Tennessee Shelby County Bridge Retrofit Project; the Shoal Creek water Intake project, and the City of Somerset, KY Floating Pump Station.

Tim makes his home in Ohio with his wife Penny. They have three children. When he has leisure time, he enjoys target shooting, reloading and riding his Harley "Fat Boy".



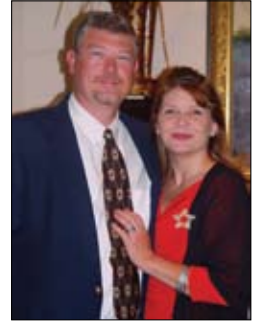
Edwin (Eddie) Proctor

Eddie has worked for W.L. Hailey for 22 years. Through the years he has worked in every Hailey division, including tunnels, pipe, marine, sewer rehab, and civil. For the past 8 years Eddie has worked with Operations Manager George Naylor. His specialty within the Naylor group is

concrete forming and placement, water and sewer treatment plants and pumping stations. Recent Hailey Projects Eddie has worked on include Bon Aqua-Lyles Water Treatment Plant, the Shelbyville Bio-solids Building, and Shipetown Pump Station, Gravity Sewer & Force Main.

Eddie's son, Adam, also works for Hailey. On weekends Eddie likes to spend time at home in Cumberland Furnace, TN with his wife, Sara, and their horses, and his hobbies include hunting and fishing.

Welcome to our new Estimator, David Cruce



David is an Atlanta native, graduating from Southern College of Technology with a degree in Construction Management in 1994. For the past 12 years he has worked as both a project manager and estimator in the water / wastewater market with both Ruby-Collins and Archer Western. He lives with his wife, 3 children and 2 huskies in Marietta, Georgia. In his spare time he enjoys spending time with his family outdoors or being hip deep fly fishing on a secluded river.

Goodbye and good luck to Jennifer Zimmerlee

who is leaving our Hailey family to move to Bonanza, Oregon where she will be taking care of her elderly grandfather. Jennifer was an Administrative Assistant and Receptionist at our Nashville office. She will be missed by all of us as well as the many clients and vendors she has dealt with daily.



New Baby Evans

John, Beverly, and Jonathan Evans are thrilled with the newest addition to their family, a baby girl, Albany Elaine, born October 14. John is WLH's Operations Manager for Tennessee, and Beverly and Jonathan also work for Hailey.



Dickson High School Homecoming Parade

WLH Equipment Manager Dennis Petty and his son Mark, along with the about 20 parents and 150 members of the Junior Class at Dickson High School in Dickson Tennessee, won best float at homecoming 2008. The Vegas themed float featured Elvis, dice, and roulette wheel that all turned, and the Vegas sign was lighted. The float was covered with approximately 800,000 flower balls.



Livingston Raw Water Intake Celina, TN



The Water System Improvements, Raw Water Intake Project is being built by W.L. Hailey for the Town of Livingston, TN to provide additional water supply to the local treatment plant. The project was started in February, 2008 and is scheduled for completion in February, 2009. The project consists of a new raw water intake structure in the Cumberland River connected to land by a 40-foot long bridge.

Construction commenced with underwater drilling and blasting to enable the installation of a 40-foot diameter steel sheet cofferdam with anchors to connect the structure to the rocky river-bottom. Once completed, a 500 CY reinforced concrete structure was built inside the cofferdam to an elevation well above the river (see cover).

Overall, the concrete and masonry structure will rise 70 feet when completed. Construction of the bridge connecting the intake to land is underway. Supply partners on the project include a traveling screen supplied by Guthrie Sales and two Simflo Pump open line shaft vertical turbine pumps furnished by Southern Sales. Due to high operating pressures, the ductile iron pipe and Pratt ball and butterfly valves supplied by American Cast Iron Pipe Company will require testing to 500 psi.

Mr. Roy Wauford and Bob Qualman of J.R. Wauford & Company Consulting Engineers have been very helpful prior to and during the project's construction. W.L. Hailey employees include Superintendent Marin Hooper and marine crew Jerry Page, Bill Clouse, Roger McManus, Gonzalo Morales and Adrian Valdez. Concrete and mechanical Foreman John Guinn and crew Pedro Bailon, Paul Downer, Jake Heady, Lonnie Jordan, Jacinto Mejillo, Eusebio Raymundo-Perez and Hector Valles. The project is under Operations Manager George Naylor and Project Manager Mark Williams.

Omohundro Water Treatment Plant Filter Building — Nashville, TN

W.L. Hailey has been hired to renovate the Omohundro Water Treatment Plant Filter Building. The Omohundro Water Treatment Plant is an historic structure that provides drinking water for the Nashville area. The original plant was built in 1888 and is in the National Historic Register. Over the years the exterior masonry and roofing system have deteriorated, requiring restoration. The masonry, constructed in the early 1930's, is a multi-wythe brick wall. The different layers of masonry are separating and the steel roof trusses over the filter area are corroding.

A key element to our obtaining this project is our innovative design of a temporary dome shelter, 100-feet long by 112-feet wide by 50-feet high, which we built to totally enclose the exterior of the Filter Building and six filters. The temporary structure has seven, 3-foot wide, galvanized steel trusses and a cover that reaches from one side of the filter building to the other installed over the trusses. The structure will protect the filters from contamination, and the area from weather conditions, while keeping the plant operational during construction. Once work is completed on the first six filters, the exterior structure and interior filter protection will be moved over the next six filters, and so on, until the building around filters 1 through 18 is renovated. The water plant, rated for 90 million gallons per day output, has a total of 30 filters.

Metro Water Service representatives working with Hailey are Valorie Gilley, Gilbert Nave, Tommy Melton, and Glenn Doss. Jim Thompson of Centric Architecture is the Architect and Fred Zahn represents the Metro Historical Commission.

Subcontractors on this project are Mickey Petty of Petty Construction, who was instrumental in installing protective structures; Mike Kincaid of WASCO Masonry; Steve Righter of R.D Herbert & Sons, which will remove and install new Roofing; Ken Darby and Ron Farmer of Commercial Painting; Jackson Dale of Dale Inc. for window work; and Travis Electric.

W.L. Hailey has worked on projects at Omohundro many times through the years. This current project began in August 2008 is scheduled for completion in September 2009.

W.L. Hailey's construction team includes Operations Manager George Naylor, Project Manager Mark Williams, Superintendent Eddie Proctor, Foreman Roy Biggs, and crew Joe Biggs, Barney Dale, Harry Ford, Cory Gunter, Clint Mayo, Glenn Petty, Adam Proctor, Michael Southerland, and Robert Weaver.



Yahoola Creek Reservoir Water Treatment Plant Dahlonega, GA

The Yahoola Creek Reservoir Water Treatment Plant and Transmission Mains Contract B and Raw and Finished Water Transmission Mains project is being built by W.L. Hailey for the City of Dahlonega, Georgia.

About an hour north of Atlanta, the City of Dahlonega was the site of the first major U.S. gold rush starting in 1828 and continues to be a north Georgia tourism hot-spot with a charming downtown square, nearby wineries, and beautiful scenery. The City has recently created a reservoir for drinking water supply and built a raw water pump station. With construction of a new water treatment plant underway across from the reservoir, W.L. Hailey was awarded the contract for connecting the pump station to the new plant via 3,300 linear feet of 24-inch ductile iron pipe, and installing 6,200 linear feet of a parallel finished water line from the plant back towards town. Included in this contract is the installation of 2,400 linear feet of 12-inch DIP water line for use in constructing the water plant, relocation of various sections of 6-inch and 12-inch ductile iron force mains, and the installation of two parallel fiberoptic conduits for communication between the water plant and pump station. Many challenges have been present including blasting 2000 feet of trench rock, laying up to six utilities in a narrow right-of-way next to a heavily trafficked highway, and four highway bores. We even encountered an abandoned mine shaft, presumably from the gold rush!

A major consideration of this project is the crossing of the Yahoola Creek Reservoir by a 200-foot long single span prefabricated steel bridge. The bridge will sit on two concrete abutments and hold the 24-inch water line and 24-inch raw water line, a 6-inch and 12-inch force main, and two 2-inch fiber optic conduits. Flexible expansion joints will allow the utilities to expand and contract. The bridge is scheduled to arrive in early November and will come in four sections which will be put together on 6 pontoons and floated into place.

Hailey's team of Project Engineer Ashley Quinn, intern Justin Storey and foremen Doug Hall and Dale McClure are working closely with the City of Dahlonega and engineer Jordan Jones and Goulding in a cooperative effort for a successful result on this unique project.



W.L. Hailey Annual Fishing Trip

After much preparation, the annual W.L. Hailey team building trip was underway on September 19th. A bus was chartered from Atlanta for the Georgia group, and transportation was arranged for the rest of the group from Tennessee. After a recent hurricane, the gulf had settled down somewhat and allowed for a great day of fishing. There were several options for the day on Saturday, but once again the highlight of the year was the night at the Back Porch where people could re-acquaint and get caught up from the events of the past year. The fishing is great, but the time together to form lasting bonds is priceless. Many thanks to Kathy Morris and Wendy Scudder for helping to pull together all the details.



I-40 Sesimic Retrofit Memphis, TN

The I-40 Seismic Retrofit Project, begun in January 2004, is now 100% complete. The project took place on the Wolf River span of the I-40 Interstate Bridge over the Mississippi River at Memphis, TN and is part of efforts by TDOT to upgrade the bridge infrastructure in the event of an earthquake. Hailey's work included thickening and reinforcing the existing bridge footings, along with column and pier cap fortification and significant marine work in the adjacent Wolf River, which is affected by seasonal flows and flooding of the Mississippi.

Delays were encountered including flooding and the detection and remediation of an artesian well. The last three piers were finished with little access from land as the river stayed above the crane pads and cofferdams for several months. At one point the river reached 8' above flood stage. During this time the river became too deep to use the crane barge, so all materials and rebar had to be hoisted by hand.

Crews led by Superintendents Michael Thomas and Michael Torres, and foremen David Wharton, and Roy Biggs, have worked together to simultaneously complete the last four piers in the Wolf River. Crews led by Superintendents Martin Hooper and Tim Garnette, and foremen Jerry Page and John Porter finished the construction of the cofferdams, pile driving, seal pours, and demobilization of the cofferdams and crane pads.

The last phase of this job included installation of Inspection Platforms under the main span of the bridge over the Mississippi River. These catwalks were carried one piece at a time down an 18" wide walkway underneath the bridge, half way across the river. Each piece was then hoisted into place with chain falls and assembled 135' above the river.

W.L. Hailey President Don Ackerman would like to commend Operations Managers Randy Wiek and George Naylor for their fine work and dedication and give special thanks to all the Hailey employees who worked on this project during its duration.



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