

# Roxsand

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#### New Addition to the Fleet

By: Bob Hansen / Railroad Mechanical Supervisor, Dell Rapids, SD

L. G. Everist has added 40 new 2932 CU. FT. gondola railcars to the fleet. The railcars were made by National Steel Car in Hamilton, Ontario Canada. They are a welcome addition to the fleet as the demand for rip rap and other product that needs to be hauled in the winter increases.



New gondola railcar built in 2024.



The week of March 12th, a group of representatives from LGE went to Hamilton to a final inspection on the cars. I was fortunate to be one of the individuals to go along with Rick Everist, Scott VanDenTop, and Tim Smith to inspect the cars. As part of inspection day, they gave us a tour of their manufacturing plant. As we were touring the plant, we saw state of art robotic wheel presses and welding machines being used to manufacture the railcars. Then a little farther down the line, we also observed a 100-year-old hydraulic metal press also being used. This made me think of D & I Railroad and how we use locomotives that were built in the 1950s thru 1980s to pull new railcars down the track. This just shows that no matter how old the piece of equipment is it can be a valuable part of the operations in our company.

Looking forward to a ROCK SOLID future for the D & I

Railroad.



New gondola railcar that was built in 2024.



#### **QC** Corner

Last week we kicked off our production season with our first Quality Control Training in Sioux Falls that provided training to our QC technicians from all sites, including Colorado. We also had representation from Plant Managers, Sales, Safety, M&R and ACE. The training consisted of a review of processes and procedures, Excel training, safety, stockpile management, concrete and asphalt testing, standards and expectations, and networking.



Donald Hostettler (far left) teaching about concrete testing and cylinder breaks.



Justin Harvey demonstrating stockpile management and segregation.



Dan Rokusek teaching and demonstrating stockpile management.

## **Anniversaries**

Dave Cumrine – April 6 Firestone

Rhiannon Gross – April 6 Ragsdale

Brian Pies – April 7 Summit

Jared McLaughlin – April 7 Ragsdale

**Dusty Ruehlen – April 8** Kelker – CO Springs

**Dylan Arndt – April 8**Dell Rapids Shop

Alec Riswold – April 9 Hawarden

Brian Hanneman – April 10 Myrl & Roy's Paving

James Bachmeier – April 10 Myrl & Roy's Fleet

James Waddell – April 10 Ace Ready Mix – Harrisburg

### We are Hiring

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Jeffrey Hoffman – April 10 Dell Rapids East

Karen Kittelson – April 10 L. G. Everist

Loralee Polzin – April 10 Myrl & Roy's Asphalt Plant

Ricky Severtson – April 10 Myrl & Roy's Fleet

**Ryan Evenson – April 10** Ace Ready Mix – Sioux Falls

Mary Brown – April 11 Myrl & Roy's Fleet

Raymond Vetsch – April 11 Ortonville

**Tyce Kidd – April 11**Nelson – Recycle

Sergio Covarrubias Padilla – April 12 Ragsdale

# **Happy Birthday!**

Jose Mendez – April 6 Hawarden

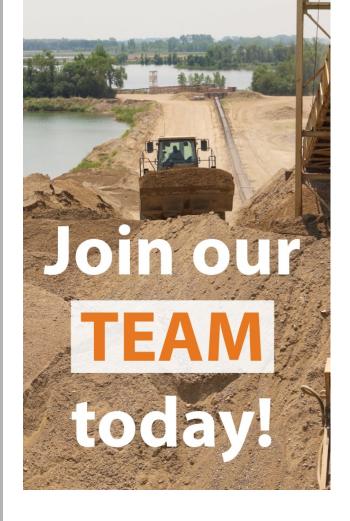
Daniel Kruger – April 7 Myrl & Roy's Shop

John Bunkers – April 7 Dell Rapids East

Karen Kittelson – April 8 L. G. Everist

Lynn Mayer Shults – April 9 L. G. Everist - Colorado office

Bryce Brenden – April 12 Brookings



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