

Will Work for Food

By Mike Haller

Meet Wild, our new on-site rodent control manager. Wild was brought to his new work location November 24, 2009. He lives, works and eats in the old fabrication shop at our Wolcott office. Wild is a feral cat who I adopted from the Eagle County Animal Shelter free of charge. The Shelter neutered, vaccinated and guaranteed that he was feline leukemia negative.

We had such a problem with mice at our Wolcott office it only made sense to try something new other than mouse traps and the Orkin man. Since Wild's arrival the rodents have been kept outside of the building and there has been nothing caught in the indoor traps.

I have put a couple of pet doors in the old shop, which allows him to go outside and hunt. He is fed and watered regularly. As a special treat for doing such a bang-up job, I feed him a can of Gerald's sardines every couple of weeks.

He is a gray and was about this size when I last saw him. I have only seen Wild three times since I brought him to Wolcott—he works Monday through Friday and relaxes on the weekend. Since it's almost impossible to catch Wild, I could not get an actual photo of him, this bears a very close resemblance.



One Bag of Trash at a Time...



Thanks to a spring storm that dumped a couple of feet of snow all around Eagle County, the annual highway clean up was postponed till mid-May.

A hearty group of Gallegos employees braved rain, snow, speeding traffic and high winds to tidy up I-70 on Friday, May 14. The crew picked up more than 60 bags of trash. A big thanks goes to the following employees who got out there and helped beautify the 'Gallegos' miles: Frank Gutierrez, Mike Haller, Mike Woods, Linda Giordano, Jose Hernandez, Ramiro Cuevas, Mario DeLara, Gerardo Guardian, Jose Monje Rodriguez, Jake Jacobson, Ramiro Garcia, Jesús Gallegos, Wes Geist, Andy Romero, Jose Garcia, Francisco Saenz, Seth Cole and Geoff Soelter.



Brandi Resa, AP Manager, frequently bikes to work, or takes the bus and walks—in a bright orange vest for safety sake—from I-70 to the Gallegos offices in Wolcott. For her efforts to cut down on emissions she was nominated as Eagle County's bike commuter of the year. Brandi toughs it out in all weather and refuses rides from coworkers. Great job Brandi!



Pamela Venzor (Division 10) had baby boy Alexander on May 5 at 11:19 p.m. He weighed 6lbs 14oz and was 20 inches tall—he's doing great and growing like a weed. (photo on left)

Marcette Gordon (Divisions 40 and 94) trained hard this winter and ran the Bolder Boulder on Memorial Day weekend with a stellar time of 1 hour 8 minutes and 55 seconds—placing in the top half of her age group. Way to go Marcette!

Chris Edwards (Senior Estimator) and his wife welcomed 8-pound baby boy Cooper August into the world at 2 a.m. on July 13.

Village at Breckenridge Moves Forward

By Jake Jacobson



One of our larger jobs in the mountains this summer is the Village at Breckenridge. Currently we have approximately a crew of 40 onsite. We started erecting the scaffolding the first week of April even before the ski season ended. We were awarded the scaffolding, stucco, stone-work and later on concrete work. The job is a fast-track job consisting of a complete exterior skin replacement, all new windows, stucco, and stone: a complete facelift.

We had Dave Glabe's company design and engineer the scaffolding for this project. After we ramped up we had as many as 38 men help from divisions 20, 31 and 60 helping to erect this job. Key personnel are Nacho Gallegos, Dean Burke, Mike Gifford, Shannon Gallegos, Andy Romero and Steve Fluty.

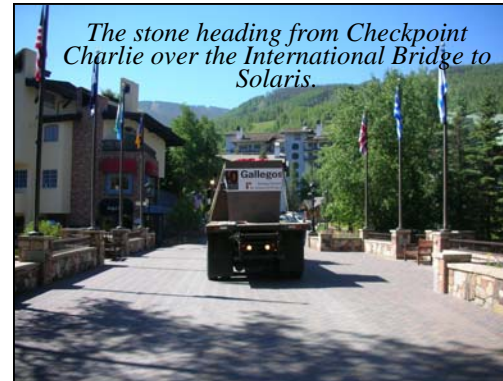
Nacho, Dean and their crews erected more than 4,400 frames in 9 weeks on 5 buildings at 9,400 feet above sea level. That is more than 28 semis of equipment coming from the Gypsum Stoneryard, Glenwood yard, Denver, California and Oregon. This is the largest scaffolding job undertaken by The Gallegos Corporation in our 40 year history, and it ran like clock work except for the occasional late snow storm that appeared each week in April and into May.

John Cunningham, an independent safety specialist with Complete Safety, was hired by the owner to consult on this project. He has been quoted as saying it is the best scaffolding job he has ever been associated with. Hats off to all those involved.

Now it is up to the stucco and stone masons to get'er done so we can unveil the new buildings before the snow starts to fly again.



The stone heading from Checkpoint Charlie over the International Bridge to Solaris.



At the end of June Gallegos set a 47,000 pound monolith at Solaris. The 10-foot tall art piece is made of two massive Café Imperial Brazilian granite pieces, stacked one on top of the other, one weighs 22,000 and the other 25,000.

The crew, headed by Steve Kalabany, Senior PM division 20, used a 110-ton crane to install the pieces; and a 65-ton crane to unload and load the granite blocks from the stoneyard.



Loading and unloading at the stoneyard.



The monolith set in place.



Happy Birthday

July

1 Jennifer Law (10), Emily Stege (31)
 3 Irineo Serafin (21), Sam Evancho (31)
 5 Andy Romero (20)
 7 Jeremiah Paris (50), Rodrigo Gonzalez-Portillo (60)
 8 Joaquin Martinez (21), Jason Wiethoff (21), Adrian Izaguirre (31)
 9 Ryan Mondragon (31), James Nierzwicki (50)
 12 Rolando Velazquez (21), Francisco Tafoya (60)
 13 Luis Gomez (21), Fermin Saucedo (60), Ben Spillner (60)
 15 Sarah Hughey (60)
 16 Rachel Thompson (10), Fernando Lopez (31)
 17 Rosalie Marquez (10), Humberto Romero (23)
 18 Heladio Olivo (50), Jose Lopez (60)
 19 Jake Jacobson (20)
 23 Paul Siemonsma (10), Wes Geist (20)
 24 Julio Atilano (60)
 26 Ben Harrison (21), Caleb Smith (21), Victor Escarcega (31)
 27 Fernando Velasco (60)
 28 Manuel Ortiz (20), Gabril Saenz (60)
 29 Salvador Paez (60)
 30 Leopoldo Sarmiento (20)
 31 Hillary Gallegos (10), Jose Torres (50), Dacia Woodworth (10)

August

1 Ben Pereida (50)
 3 Corey Burke (31), Luis Rodriguez (60)
 4 Ruth White (10); Bryan Zukowski (10), Jose Camarillo (31)
 5 Rodolfo Montes Alaniz (21)
 7 Julio Puebla (20), Sergio Velasco Martinez (50)
 8 Dan Harrison (21)
 9 Chad Woodworth (31), Victor Mena (60)
 11 Jose Meraz (31), Roberto Baez (40)
 12 Roberto Rodriguez (31), Eldon Wright (60), Jose Garcia (90)
 13 Sergio Arellano (31)
 16 Erasmo Morales (21)
 17 Salvador Velasco (90)
 18 Kevin Kahtava (60)
 20 Marvin Franklin (10)
 21 Luis Guzman (20)
 23 Floyd Andreatta (21), Jorge Urbina (60), Frank Guterrez (94)
 25 Gerardo Chavez-Rodriguez (20), Salvador Gamez (60)
 26 Eduardo Bernal (40), Steven Fluty (60)
 27 Michael Reardon (50)
 28 Jorge Guerrero Ornelas (31), Harry Lujan (31)
 29 Felipe Becerra (20), Branden Pace (31)
 31 Ramon Estrada (31)



HR Updates

Health Tip



Summer Sun Eye Protection

You know that the sun can damage your skin. But did you know that it can burn your eyes too? Both short-term and long-term sun exposure can cause damage and increase your risk of conditions such as:

- Cataracts, which can impair vision by clouding the lens. Most Americans develop cataracts by age 80.
- Photokeratitis ("snow blindness"), a painful burn of the cornea (the central clear covering of the eye) that occurs from excessive sun exposure.
- Skin cancer, which occurs on the lower eyelids or elsewhere near the eyes.
- Pterygium, a non-cancerous growth that may partially cover the cornea and require surgery.

What to do to protect your eyes from sun damage:

- Wear a wide-brimmed hat that shades your eyes from the most direct rays.
- Wear sunglasses that block at least 99 percent of both UVA and UVB rays.
- If you wear contact lenses, choose a UV-blocking type. Ask your eye care specialist about your options.

Anniversaries!

1 Year

Spencer Sedbrook (60); Alfredo Lopez (60); Rodrigo Gonzalez-Portillo (60); Edy Venzor (20); Martin Colis (20), Francisco Martinez (50); Armando Rojas (20)

2 Years

Jorge Avila (60); David Johnson (40); John Trujillo III (20); Cole Allison (40); Leopoldo Sarmiento (20); Cayetano Sosa (60)

3 Years

Joe Kehrer (60); Luis Rodriguez (60); Antonio Cardiel (60)

4 Years

Sergio Irazoque (60); Dustin Posegate (40)

5 Years

Harry Lujan (31)

6 Years

Ben Harrison (21); Casey Kraft (50); Paul Siemonsma (10); Jose Flores (21); Daniel Harrison (21); Manuel Jaquez (31); Jose Meraz (31)

7 Years

Kevin Hughey (60); Julio Puebla (20)

8 Years

Marcette Gordon (40); JC Slocum (60)

9 Years

Dacia Woodworth (10); Mike Woods (10)

10 Years

Rich Passey (40)

13 Years

Wes Geist (20); Fernando Antillon (20)

14 Years

Jamie Woodworth (31); Taylor Serson (21); Juan Becerra (20)

15 Years

Fermin Saucedo (60)

17 Years

Juan DeParra Lisardo (20); Art Breda (21)

18 Years

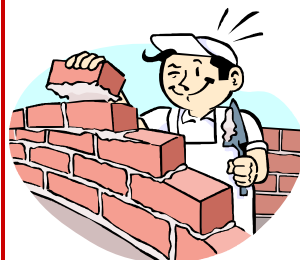
Bryan Zukowski (10)

22 Years

Jimmy Pereida (50); Marvin Franklin (10)

30 Years

Andy Romero (20)



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America the Beautiful

Gallegos, committed to its communities, was proud to sponsor Vail America Days and the Minturn parade once again this year. The theme of this year's Vail 4th of July parade was America the Beautiful—and it was a beautiful day indeed. Tens of thousands of spectators came to Vail to watch the parade and celebrate. Our spectacular float, with purple mountains majesty, amber waves of grain and stunning maps of the United States, came away with the title of "Best Merchant" float.

The Minturn parade did not attract thousands, but the spectators enjoyed every minute of the parade, followed by a community picnic to celebrate our nation's birthday.

Many employees put in hours of time to make the day a success—from Marvin Franklin coming up with the idea for a map of the United States made out of, what else?, Colorado red granite, to everyone who executed the plans.

One of the best parts of the entire float is that it will be enjoyed for years to come by students of all ages. Gallegos will sponsor an essay contest, with two schools winning the granite maps. (If you want your child's school to receive information on the essay contest, please contact Heather.)

Thanks to all the employees and their families who helped make the 4th of



July special for the parade goes, from those who built the

float to those who worked at the booths handing out water and those who actually marched (or rode) in the parade: Cole Allison, Rich Passey, Mike Hawley, Jen Law, Angie Suntken, Jamie Woodworth, Heather Hower, Dave Little, Mike Haller, Dacia Woodworth, Gary Woodworth, Chris Edwards, Brandi Resa,



Harry Lujan, Dennis Hawley, Jose Otero Trejo.



The Gallegos Corporation's Mission

To finish each job completely with the highest quality and with safety "the first time."

Provide construction and construction management services of the highest professional standard.

Generate profit from these services while adding value to our customers & employees.

Continue to grow as the industry leader.