

NUTS AND BOLTS

A NEWS UPDATE FROM LEDWELL

Summer 2015

HOW LOW CAN WE GO?

Ledwell continues to improve equipment to meet the needs of our customers. This past year we introduced the Ledwell Hydratail Trailer - Low Profile as another trailer option for your fleet.

This low profile trailer has a ride height four and a half inches lower than the standard Ledwell Hydratail Trailer allowing taller loads of equipment to be transported. Lowering the trailer decreases the break over point significantly. The loading angle on a standard Ledwell Hydratail Trailer has a 13.5° loading angle, while the new Low Profile is 11°.

Ledwell Hydratail Trailer – Low Profile is the next big deal in equipment hauling and rental. Call your Ledwell Sales Team for more information on this innovative piece of equipment.



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LEDWELL WELLNESS CENTER

Ledwell acquired the building and remaining property on the corner of 7th Street and Kilgore; giving Ledwell the perfect spot for a future wellness center. Ledwell's maintenance crew, led by Cliff Mitchell, worked during the heat of the summer to gut the building and re-purpose as a modern, minimalist-style fitness center with restrooms, showers and changing rooms. The idea was to offer Ledwell employees and their families a safe, convenient place for them to improve their fitness. The focus was to have a wellness center where employees would want to go, either before or after work or over their lunch break, helping to increase employee morale.



Demo of original building

“We stand to benefit from a stronger, healthier workforce and outfitted the gym with a wide range of cardio and old-school strength and fight-training equipment that would fit a variety of preferences.” ~ John Crisp



Progress on Wellness Center

Ledwell has a number of skilled craftsmen allowing a unique opportunity to build some of the strength equipment in-house, particularly the custom-fabricated pull-up, squat and bench power rack. The maintenance crew also crafted custom storage for steel weights, rubber bumpers and dumbbells, saving room in the budget.

The result was a facility Ledwell employees now enjoy with their immediate family. There are groups of employees that, even with the physical work they perform each day, have become regulars in the early mornings, over their lunch break, just after the work day ends and even over the weekends. There are a few employees that enjoy some amateur boxing and mixed martial arts on weekends and train for their fights during the week. Ledwell plans to continue to outfit the wellness center with equipment that challenges employees and improves their health, strength and pride in working for Ledwell.



Ledwell Wellness Center

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ALZHEIMER'S ALLIANCE

The Alzheimer's Alliance Tri-State Area was founded in 1981 as a support group by Murray James and area families affected by Alzheimer's disease. The organization was incorporated in the State of Texas as a non-profit organization under the name Alzheimer's Support Group of Texarkana, Inc. on October 24, 1989.

The chapter Board of Directors made the decision in 2012 that area families could be best served if the chapter became an independent organization, resulting in Alzheimer's Alliance Tri-State Area. This allowed all funding and donations to remain in the tri-state area to reach those affected by Alzheimer's and other related dementias through education, support, training and respite services. Alzheimer's Alliance currently provides resources to over 17,000 people in 22 counties in Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas.

Terrie Arnold, director of Alzheimer's Alliance, referenced the quote by Rosalynn Carter, "There are four kinds of people in the world; those who have been caregivers, those who currently are caregivers, those who will be caregivers, and those who will need caregivers."



In the last year Alzheimer's Alliance extended their services to include, Our Place Day Respite Center. The focus of Our Place Day Respite Center is to allow caregivers the chance of respite, or rest two days a week. Our Place is a social environment that is filled with stories, activities, and music therapy. The best part of the center, no one is turned away based on their inability to pay. Sponsorships to families who are unable to pay are available.



Roger Adcock, Ledwell employees for 26 yrs & Ken Coltharp, 20 yrs, musical guests at Wine Fest

On May 2nd, Office Source presented the inaugural Twice as Fine Texarkana Wine Festival benefiting Alzheimer's Alliance. This event celebrated food, wine, and art

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to help raise funds for Our Place Day Respite Center, support groups, and Alzheimer education.

The weather was perfect and the Wine Fest ran smoothly. There was an estimated 4,000 people in attendance to help raise a substantial amount for Alzheimer's Alliance. 100% of all proceeds raised through this event stay in the tri-state area to support Alzheimer's Alliance.

Twice as Fine Texarkana Wine Festival was so successful that plans are underway for next year's event.

For more information about Alzheimer's Alliance Tri-State Area, please visit their website at alztristate.org.



Blaze Lewis & Brett Beck volunteering at Office Source booth

TOUCH A TRUCK



On April 11th, Ledwell Machinery displayed a Bobcat E35 and Toro Truck at the Annual Junior League of Texarkana Touch a Truck event. This event helps support Junior League of Texarkana's mission and community projects while providing families the opportunity to learn about trucks, construction vehicles and public safety equipment. There was a wonderful turn out and we cannot wait to be a part of the event next year.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

EDDIE COKELEY

Eddie Cokeley has worked at Ledwell for 25 years. He is one of those rare cases where he has worked in the same shop, Feedbody, his entire career. While there, Eddie has still managed to work on other types of equipment besides feed trailers. Included in the array of equipment he has worked on are tub dump trucks, water tanks, lumber dumps, and Haliburton floats. "There is a different opportunity to work on every day at Ledwell," according to Eddie.

One of his most memorable projects was working on an Orange County Chopper trailer. His most recent project, developing the specifications for the industry revolutionizing Low Center of Gravity feed trailer has become one project Eddie will never forget.



"Years ago on our pay stubs there was a motto, 'Work isn't work if you like it.' I have thoroughly enjoyed working at Ledwell and Son over the past 25 years. Building feedbodies and a variety of other products has given me the opportunity to develop expertise in the trade. It has been a joy, not work."

During his free time, Eddie enjoys spending time with his family, especially playing with his grandbabies. He loves to grow flowers in his garden and go hunting for hogs.

Visit www.ledwell.com/news/employees to see more Employee Spotlights throughout the year.

February
Wayne May

March
Wayne Adams

April
Santiago Simon

INNOVATION

SELF CONTAINED UNIT

Ledwell's Self Contained Unit is a portable hydraulic power unit that allows any tractor to pull your Ledwell trailer. Commonly known as a Pony Motor Unit, the Ledwell Self Contained Unit provides portable hydraulic power for mobile equipment, tools and trailers.

This unit includes a 23 gallon hydraulic tank and an eight gallon fuel tank.



WATER TRUCK SPARGER BARS



Folding Sparger Bar

Ledwell Water Trucks offer an additional feature, sparger bars. Sparger bars are fully customizable; options include a folding sparger bar or a stationary sparger bar.

Sparger bars allow you to control dust on construction sites and roads. Our design allows the customer to control volume and distribution of the water flowing through the sparger bar.



Stationary Sparger Bar

The folding sparger bar gives the convenience of stowing the bar upright and an extra wide distribution of water. The stationary sparger bar is welded in place.

For more information on the Self Contained Unit or sparger bars, please contact your Ledwell Sales Team at 888-533-9355 or sales@ledwell.com.

PRODUCTS YOU COULD USE

HIGHLIGHTS FROM OUR INVENTORY



Ledwell 4000 Gallon Water Truck on 2015 Peterbilt 348

All welded subframe
Top discharge hydrant fill
2 front, 2 rear & side spray nozzles

Allison Auto Trans
Air Ride cab & suspension

USED INVENTORY



Ledwell 14/17 Tub Dump

Standard liftgate with air lock
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indicator light
Two 12,000# Liftable Pusher Axles
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2012 Peterbilt 386

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