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QUARTERLY

GRIND

This quarter the Profler would like to extend a deep heartfelt thank you to **Michelle Mayne** and **Angi Cutler** for their relentless effort in throwing the biggest and best Lagoon party that A-Core has yet to see. **THANK YOU!!!**

The Profler would also like to recognize **Ben Jackson** and **Adalmiro Espinoza** for their outstanding safety record on the I-Core project. Ben has worked 1,696 hours and Adalmiro has worked 1,646 hours both without an accident! Great job on such an accomplishment!!! The entire A-Core community is proud of your efforts towards safety.

A-CORNER

ANNOUNCING

BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

Jeremy Holloway	1	Jack Johnson	21
Jonathan Cattani	4	Deno Gerth	22
Cameron Murdock	6	Gary Hogue	26
Alan Vandermeer	8	Luis Flores	28
Matthew Bruns	9	Joshua Krob	28
Perry Speaker	9	Dallan Labrum	29

Teresa Perea	9	Paul Behrens	13
Dixie Sipe	15	Ronnie Gainsforth	13
Benjamin Duke	17	Tyler Atkinson	17
Benjamin Duke	17	Brad McDonald	19
Ricky Kaundart	11	Roger Morris	19
Rocky Adams	11	Sean Callaham	20
Chris Praag	12	Anthony Gustin	23
Gonzalo Martinez	13	Adam Park	25
Paul Behrens	13	Brett Burbank	25

YEARS WITH A-CORE

"Time goes by fast; people come in and go out of our lives so quickly so we should never pass the opportunity to tell these people how much they mean to us." We want to recognize the following people of A-Core for their committed years of service.

Robert Johnson	7/15/1977	35	Randy Gainsforth	8/8/2005	7
Benny Jensen	9/29/1984	28	Billy Jensen	9/7/2005	7
Bob Pueblo	7/15/1996	16	Chris Praag	7/10/2006	6
Spencer Sipe	7/30/1996	16	Bonnie Brown	7/19/2006	6
Roger Morris	8/14/1997	15	Rulon Priet	8/4/2006	6
Chris Gordon	8/27/1997	15	Teresa Perea	8/21/2006	6
Ken Passey	8/17/1998	14	Wendy Follett	9/25/2006	6
Sam Humphries	9/8/1999	13	Abisai Garcia	7/16/2007	5
Luis Torres	8/3/2001	11	Sabastian Bentacor	9/17/2007	5
Michelle Mayne	8/18/2004	8	Stephany Milich	9/17/2007	5

SAFETY FIRST

QUARTERLY SAFETY BULLETIN

APRIL 1 – JUNE 30



Quarterly Safety Bulletin

Safety Goals for 3rd quarter

- Comply with all safety regulations
- Fill out all proper paper work
- Lead by example
- Communicate with your team and all other crafts on site



Injury	Division	Region	Qty
Finger	Demo	Utah	1
Arm	Highway	Utah	1
Ribs	Demo	Utah	1
Finger	Service	Montana	1
Skin Irritation	Highway	Utah	1

Injury Evaluation

- All injuries were preventable!!
- Complacency was the main factor in every injury this last quarter
- We have to learn from our mistakes
- Zero injuries – we can accomplish this goal

Areas of Focus

- PPE- MANDATORY
- Quarterly compliant color-RED
- Fatigued Workers-Stay Focused
- Hand Safety
- More Summer Time Travelers on the road
- Electrical Cord/Equipment Inspection/safety
- Safety before production!!
- HYDRATION- Beat The Heat

SOUTHWEST

UTAH, ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO

Travis McDade Truck #29



Profiler had the pleasure to catch up with Truck 29, Travis McDade, out of the Salt Lake City, Utah office. Travis is one of those individuals who brighten your day. Those who don't know him personally may otherwise know him as Truck #29. Travis exemplifies taking pride in what you do. Along with enthusiasm and charisma, Travis brings a wealth of knowledge and skill to A-Core Concrete Cutting. With a keen understanding of concrete cutting, Truck 29 provides creative solutions to contractors' needs day in and day out. Truck 29 is arguably one of A-Core's most inspirational leaders.

Profiler: Where are you from?

Truck 29: Milton, Florida

Profiler: How long have you been at A-Core?

Truck 29: This time...3 years

Profiler: What is your favorite color?

Truck 29: Red

Profiler: What is your favorite hobby?

Truck 29: My job doesn't allow for hobbies... so...

Profiler: Tell us something unique about you?

Truck 29: What isn't unique about me...

Profiler: What is your favorite food?

Truck 29: Lasagna

Profiler: What is your job at A-Core?

Truck 29: I operate a complete combo truck (core drill, flat saw, hand saw, wall saw)

Profiler: How long have you done this job?

Truck 29: Since 1987, 25 years

Profiler: What is your favorite part of your job?

Truck 29: That I get to serve other people

Profiler: What is the most challenging aspect of your job?

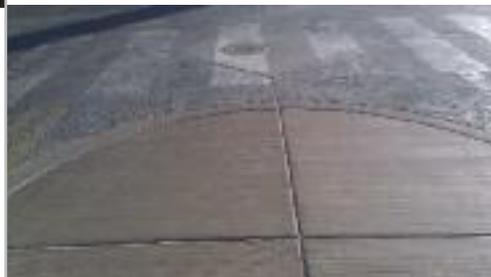
Truck 29: Troubleshooting difficult or unsafe jobs.

Profiler: Any tips for others to help operators to be more effective?

Truck 29: To surrender, press through, and just do it. Always have a positive attitude regardless of circumstances

Profiler: What do you like most about working at A-Core?

Truck 29: I like working for the best. A-Core has the nicest equipment that can solve nearly every concrete challenge. It has allowed me to unleash my potential.



Dennis Haun



Profiler traveled to the Arizona desert to catch up with Dennis Haun out of the Mesa, Arizona office. Having been with the Company for 4½ years, Dennis is learning the dynamics of the industry and how to adapt to its' uncertainties. His strong know-how of working with concrete cutting equipment allows him to constantly achieve excellent performance on every job. A-Core recognizes him and his hard work for making A-Core of Arizona a better company. Get to know Dennis:

Profiler: Where are you from?

Dennis: Utah

Profiler: How long have you been at A-Core?

Dennis: 4½ Years

Profiler: What is your favorite color?

Dennis: Green/White

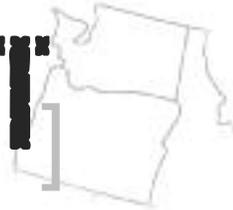
Profiler: What is your favorite hobby?

Dennis: Fishing with my family



NORTHWEST

NW IDAHO, WASHINGTON, OREGON



Profiler: Tell us something unique about you?

Dennis: hmmm

Profiler: What is your favorite food?

Dennis: Hamburgers and french-fries smothered with cheese

Profiler: What is your job at A-Core?

Dennis: Flat Saw, Core Drill, and Groover operator

Profiler: How long have you done this job?

Dennis: 4½ years

Profiler: What is your favorite part of your job?

Dennis: Payday

Profiler: What is the most challenging aspect of your job?

Dennis: Getting out of bed in the morning

Profiler: What do you like most about working at A-Core?

Dennis: Having a job



Wes Mitchell



The Profiler met Wes Mitchell out of the Boise, Idaho office. Wes clearly demonstrates a strong aptitude to solve many concrete cutting challenges. He is one of A-Core of Boise's selfless stars, who patiently strives for excellence in all he does.

Profiler: Where are you from?

Wes: Star

Profiler: How long have you been at A-Core?

Rocky: 4½ years

Profiler: What is your favorite color?

Wes: Green

Profiler: What is your favorite hobby?

Wes: Hunting, fishing, and spending time with my family

Profiler: Tell us something unique about you?

Wes: I am a great problem solver. I can get the job done even when a problem arises

Profiler: What is your favorite food?

Wes: I am a steak and potato guy

Profiler: What is your job at A-Core?

Wes: I run a flat and curb saw machine

Profiler: How long have you done this job?

Wes: 4½ years



Profiler: What is your favorite part of your job?

Wes: A happy customer

Profiler: What is the most challenging aspect of your job?

Wes: Keeping up with all of the rules and regulations for approach cuts

Profiler: Any tips for others to help make the shop/mechanics run more effectively?

Wes: Always be the person that steps up to help others

Profiler: What do you like most about working at A-Core?

Wes: The sense of accomplishment from a job well done



PROJECT

PORTLAND AIRPORT - PORTLAND, OR

A-Core Concrete Cutting Inc. was contracted by Concrete Placing to saw and seal south airfield taxiway at Portland International Airport. Due to the fact that airport authorities had to close the entire section of the taxiway, this project was very time sensitive. The overall project scope consisted of saw cutting 250,000 square yards of 16½ - 18" thick portland cement as well as sealing the joints we cut. The committed efforts and apt skill set of A-Core's sawing and sealing crew helped complete the project on budget and within a tight time frame. Portland Airport Authorities and Concrete Placing were pleasantly surprised and extremely pleased with the outcome.



How'd we do it? We did it with great people and innovative equipment. Once again, A-Core deployed the state-of-the-art Spider Saw. This saw consists of a mechanical arm that spins multiple blades a onetime which, allows for one single operator to cut a transverse joint in seconds, resulting in higher production. This machine substantially increases cut time, making possible for A-Core

crews to get in and get out. It also deployed a team of ride it saw crews to finish the remaining cuts. After all of the cutting, the sealing crew filled each joint with military approved compression seal. *Nannette Smith*, a seasoned A-Core employee ran this specialized machine. Accompanying her was *Rick Smith*, who oversaw the entire operation. These two had a strong supporting cast consisting of

Kris Fenn, Rick Kaundart, Heath Hale, Jeff Wolf, Brandon Mael, and Keith Latscha. Together, the A-Core of Idaho sawing and sealing division accomplished the unexpected; leaving the customer and project owner delighted.

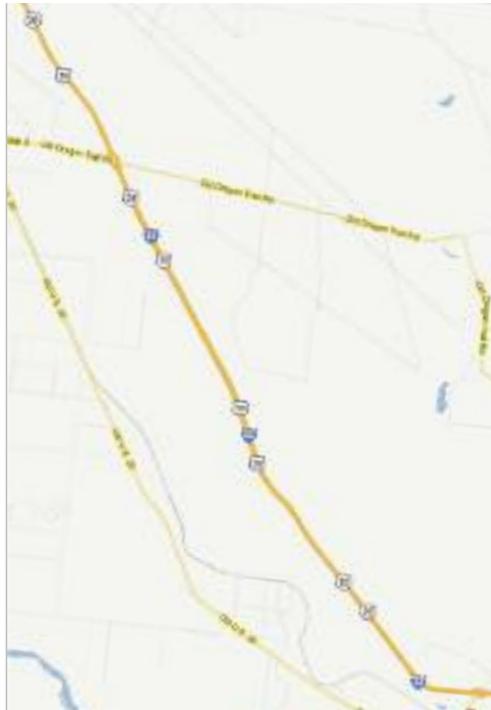
Contractor: Concrete Placing Company
By: Brad Rodgers

PROJECT

I 84 - IDAHO

Harsh weather conditions, climate change, and aged pavement result in adverse affects on roads and highways around the country. Therefore, in order to provide travelers safe roadways it is essential to rebuild or maintain these roadways. Such was the case in Idaho this last summer. Idaho Department of Transportation (IDT), project owner, contracted A-Core Concrete Cutting Inc. to perform a multimillion dollar comprehensive maintenance project on Interstate 84 from to Mt. Home, Idaho - Hammett, Idaho. This project gave A-Core the chance to prove itself as a highway general contractor. Despite adversity and dry weather conditions, by the end of the project A-Core indeed proved to itself and the project owner as a premier highway contractor.

The overall project scope was massive for its kind. It consisted of sawing and sealing 1.3 million feet of joint, placing 93 miles of rumble strip, 48 miles of shoulder surface sealing, 1,800 square yards of concrete panel replacement, 1,500 square feet of spall repair, and lastly 613,000 linear feet of road way striping. One of the challenges presented involved managing traffic control across five to



six different work closures throughout a 24-mile stretch of I-84. To IDT's surprise, all of the aforementioned details were completed in just 50 working days.

From the initial bidding to the finishing touches on the project, this job required superb communication and a special attention to details. All of which were professionally managed

by the project's experienced and talented team of individuals.

TJ Hubble was the principle project manager. He was accompanied by many exceptional individuals, some of which include; *Rulon Priet, Darren long, Kory Lovell, Brett Burbank, and Dallas Anger*. Everyone on this project worked very long shifts in 100 degree temperatures. Our hats go off to these individuals and everyone else who worked tirelessly on this project to get the job done, and done right!

On behalf of A-Core we would also like to extend our thanks to all of the talented and skilled subcontractors who made this job possible. Thank you on a job well done!

Owner: IDOT

By: Steve Checketts



“A-Core indeed proved to itself and the project owner as a premier highway contractor.”

LOOKING AHEAD

Happy 38th Birthday to A-Core!

On September 2, 2012 A-Core turned 38 years old.

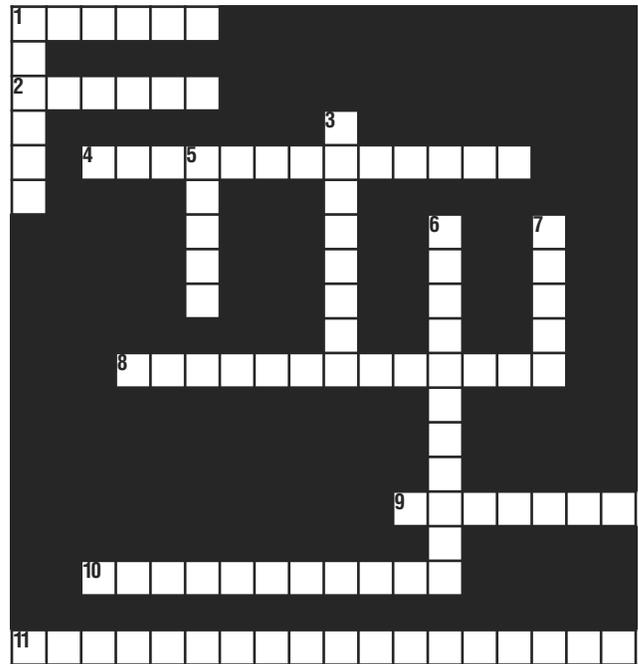
Founded in 1974, by Jack and Ruth Johnson, A-Core Concrete Cutting Inc. got its start from humble beginnings as the entire operation was ran from the back of a yellow station wagon, known as "Old Yeller". Over the past 38 years, A-Core has steadily grown and evolved from a small-time operation into one of the largest companies in the industry with 8 office locations, over 300 employees, and the ability to mobilize for any job across the United States.

A-Core has been privileged to work on some of the nation's greatest landmarks, highways, airports, and airbases such as the Hoover Dam, Bonneville Dam, State Capitol Buildings, I-15 Corridor, Kennecott Copper Mine, Barrick Gold Mine, Hill Air force Base, Space Port America, Sky Harbor Airport, McCarran International Airport, Creech Air Force Base, Yellowstone National Park, Portland International Airport, Hanford Nuclear Site, and more.



Many thanks go out to all who contribute to the Profiler. It is our hope that this quarterly publication will inform and unite all A-Core partners and across the country. There will be much more to look forward to in upcoming issues. Stay tuned to the Profiler to see if you or your division gets featured. Also watch for more awesome project overviews.

Below is a fun crossword puzzle about A-Core and its history!



ACROSS

1. Color of A-Core's first truck
2. Company party is held here every year
4. The first service that A-Core offered.
8. The most important thing on every project
9. City Jack Johnson was born
10. A-Core's first customer

DOWN

1. Color of A-Core's first truck
3. Key component to cutting concrete
5. How many offices does A-Core operate out of?
6. A-Core's website
7. Year A-Core worked on the City & County Building



Want to see more of the jaw dropping projects A-Core works on? Check out featured videos on our YouTube channel. <http://www.youtube.com/AcoreInc>
Don't forget to like us on Facebook.

A-Core offers vast flexible concrete cutting, diamond wire sawing, and demolition solutions, which provides outstanding value to owners and contractors no matter what industry or region. This is accomplished by constantly providing exceptional expertise, technical knowledge, and tailoring our

services to any type of project. A-Core strives to prove and protect every day, on every job the solidified reputation it has earned in the United States. A-Core continues to embrace and invest in emerging technologies that add value to our clients' projects. Although we possess the resources and

capabilities to take on any size contract, we remain deeply rooted in our commitment that there is no job too complex or too simple for our personalized attention. It is our closely held value that every project deserves our utmost attention to detail and commitment to customer satisfaction.



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