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“Can Do” Review

New Harvest States Oilseed Processing Facility Fairmont, Minnesota



Construction continues on schedule at the new Oilseed Processing Facility being built for **Cenex Harvest States** at Fairmont, Minnesota. While the buildings appear complete on the exterior, work continues in earnest inside with the installation of process piping, ductwork, chutework and electrical wiring.

Initial equipment checkout for portions of the facility will begin in late May pointing towards complete plant start-up late in the third quarter of this year. The services/office building will be completed and turned over to Harvest States by June. When operating, this facility will crush approximately 110,000 bushels of soybeans per day.

Todd & Sargent's on-site personnel for this project include on-site Project Manager Pat Taggart, Superintendents Dennis Taggart, Randy Hullinger, and Kurt Schneider; General Foreman Dale Mittlieder, Foremen Justin Louk, Lance Shryock, Lyle Fleming, Dennis Swenstad and Andy Thompson; Leadmen Mary Bowman, Juan M. Lopez-Perez, Pam Swenstad, Courtney Konstanz and William Weller; Subcontract Coordinator Brian Adams; Safety Manager Everett Shaw and Site Engineer Tim Lindemann. Our manlift crew is also on-site with Superintendent Brian Iiams.



Todd & Sargent Mission Statement

“Todd & Sargent, Inc. is in the business to serve the engineering and construction needs of our clients to help ensure their continued growth and success.”

WHAT'S BUILDING

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints - Mesa, Arizona



On March 10, 2003 Todd & Sargent received the building permit for the construction of **The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints'** 385,000 bushel grain storage addition in Mesa, Arizona. Superintendents Dave Randol and Darrell Bobzien, General Foremen Russ Shady and Epifanio Gudino, Foremen Rick Dorrel and Guillermo Valenzuela and crews have poured the main slab and are building slipforms. The facility is scheduled for an early May slip.

Christensen Farms - Sleepy Eye, Minnesota



Christensen Farms of Sleepy Eye, Minnesota has awarded Todd & Sargent a contract to construct a new 1,800 ton slipformed loadout structure at their facility. This project is to begin on May 5, 2003 with completion by September 26, 2003. This structure will incorporate twelve -10' x 10' x 76' high bins. Todd and Sargent designed, engineered and constructed the original mill in 1995 and 1996. We are pleased to be back working with Bob and Glen Christensen, Leon Steffl and the entire Christensen Farms' team.



Arthur L. Jenison
Vice-president
Operations

*Congratulations to **Justin Louk** (T&S Foreman) and wife Candace on the birth of their son, Isaac Ezra Michael, born March 11, 2003.*

*Congratulations to **Jessica Taggart** (daughter of Pat & Darcie Taggart) on winning 3rd place in Martin County for her essay on "What Freedom Means to Me". Jessica received a \$50.00 US Savings Bond. She is in the 4th grade in Fairmont, Minnesota.*

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Bill Bokhoven
Vice-president
Engineering

Grain Suppliers Company LLC - Collins, Mississippi



T&S ANNIVERSARIES

May

Paul Noelck – 27 years
Rick Knoll – 18 years
Everett Shaw – 17 years
Dean Petersen – 9 years
Mike Evans – 8 years
Mary Bowman – 8 years
Epifanio Gudino – 8 years
William Weller – 2 years
Jeff Glawe – 1 year
Rob Orna – 1 year

June

Darrell Bobzien – 32 years
Russ Long – 31 years
Dennis West – 16 years
Bill Bokhoven – 15 years
Bruce Flickinger – 12 years
Stephanie Grundmeier – 9 years
Doris Partridge – 5 years
Justin Louk – 6 years
Daniel Gonzalez – 2 years
Josh Lewis – 1 year
Josh Schneider – 1 year
Jason Baker – 1 year
Tim Lindemann – 1 year
Roberto Ramirez – 1 year
Raul Reyes – 1 year
Guillermo Valenzuela – 1 year

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The main slab has been poured and crews are building forms for the shuttle train receiving facility being constructed for **Grain Suppliers Company LLC** near Collins, Mississippi. The slip will start on April 28, 2003 and the facility is scheduled to receive grain in October, 2003. This facility will be able to unload full 110 car unit trains at 50,000 bushels of grain per hour and load trucks at 15,000 bushels per hour. Todd & Sargent crews include Superintendent Clark Jensen and Foremen Carl Fagan, Pete Jacobson, Bob Regan, Antonio Trejo and Martiniano Baseril.



Todd & Sargent crew working on the Grain Suppliers Company LLC new shuttle train receiving facility in Collins, Mississippi.

Harvest States Fairmont, Minnesota



The receiving/loadout and storage area is nearing completion. Silo concrete surfaced hoppers have now been completed and all major equipment has been installed. Dust control ductwork is now being installed in the Receiving/Loadout building while Interstates Electric finishes the electrical wiring. Initial equipment check out for this area of the plant is scheduled for late May.



Work continues on the process side of the plant with M&W and their subcontractors working on process piping, ducting and chutework. Interstates Electric is completing electrical wiring and instrument installation. The painter has begun sandblasting and painting the oil and fuel oil storage tanks. Todd & Sargent crews are also working on the remaining concrete work including skim pit, approaches and brine tank foundations.



Paul J. Sondgeroth
Vice-president

T&S Anniversaries continued

July

- Randy Hullinger – 23 years**
- Pat Taggart – 20 years**
- Jim Marshek – 18 years**
- Dale Mittlieder – 17 years**
- Vickie Ayers – 15 years**
- Scott Tessum – 14 years**
- Russ Shady – 12 years**
- Brian Iiams – 8 years**
- Juan M. Lopez – 2 years**
- Hector Gonzales – 2 years**
- Eutemio Martinez – 1 year**
- Andy Thompson – 1 year**

August

- Mike Baumhover – 27 years**
- Chuck Remele – 18 years**
- Pete Jenison – 14 years**
- Mike Mostrom – 8 years**
- Scott Schoba – 7 years**
- Nicolas Castorena – 4 years**
- Darcie Taggart – 1 year**
- Bill Austin – 1 year**
- Nicholas Berhow – 1 year**
- Cristin Tandberg – 1 year**
- Sarah Tandberg – 1 year**

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T&S SAFETY AWARDS PRESENTED



Superintendent Scott Tessum

Todd & Sargent, Inc.'s Corporate Safety Committee recently recognized Scott Tessum as "Safety Superintendent of the Year" for 2002 with a check for \$1,000.00 and a trophy. Scott was the General Superintendent on the Milner Milling project in Birmingham, Alabama. Scott and his crew performed 150,000 man-hours of direct labor without a lost workday injury.

Also recognized for their safety efforts from the same jobsite were General Foreman Russell Shady and Foreman Epifanio Gudino. Each of these men received a check in the amount of \$250.00 and a plaque.

Congratulations Scott, Russell and Epifanio!

Field Promotions

Congratulations to the following T&S field employees on their recent promotions:

Epifanio Gudino - General Foreman

Justin Louk - Foreman

General Foreman Russell Shady



Foreman Epifanio Gudino



TODD & SARGENT LIFT DIVISION

Todd & Sargent Lift Division Superintendent Tom Lambert and Jeremy Ewoldt are currently working at the **Horizon Milling LLC** facility in Rush, Minnesota replacing three belt manlifts with Special Purpose Elevators. The Schumacher two-man, 500# capacity units are also equipped with automatic control. This project has a scheduled completion date of May 15th, 2003.

Lift Superintendent Brian Iiams and crew are doing the installation of two Special Purpose



Elevators at the **Harvest States Oilseed** facility in Fairmont, Minnesota. The three-man units will serve the storage and prep buildings with a capacity of 900 pounds each. The mechanical installation on this project is scheduled to be complete in mid-May, 2003.



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SARGENT METAL FABRICATING

Sargent Metal Fabricating has been keeping very busy this spring with fabrication projects for Todd & Sargent's job in Fairmont, Minnesota which include transitions and spouts requiring



Ceramic tile lined transition.

ceramic tile lining. This lining provides excellent wear protection for high volume and abrasive material applications. Ceramic tile liner is similar to ordinary floor tile except it is much harder and is manufactured in smaller sizes. Since diamonds are the only thing harder than ceramic tile, a special saw equipped with a diamond saw blade is required to cut this tile. Silicone adhesive is used to adhere the tile to the transitions. Over 5000 tiles have been installed on this job alone. SMF has the

skilled craftsmen and equipment to provide a quality liner installation on any type of spout or transition. The end result is a product that will deliver years of service without the worry of wearing out.

In addition to the spouting, SMF fabricated the boiler breeching for the Fairmont facility and is working on the dust collection ducting which consists of an assortment of galvanized sheet metal fabrications.

Martin Marietta of Ames, Iowa called on SMF to fabricate heavy-duty clam gates for their Fort Dodge, Iowa mine. These clam gates, pictured below, were constructed out of 3/8" AR400 plate, operated with an air cylinder and equipped with open closed limit switches and solenoid valve. SMF has fabricated eight 18" square clam gates and four 24"



Brad Arkland is shown welding on the boiler breeching duct for Harvest States Oilseed Processing facility.

square clam gates. SMF can shear, roll and fabricate heavy plates from stainless and aluminum.

Other projects that Sargent Metal Fabricating has been working on are roof beams, inserts and spouting for Todd & Sargent's Mesa, Arizona job; screw conveyors for BP Associates; assorted projects for Burke Marketing of Nevada, Iowa and Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa.



Jim Atwood
SMF General Manager

SMF Anniversaries

July

Jess Smith – 7 years
Heath Mahlow – 1 year

August

Brad Arkland – 5 years
Mark Bertram – 2 years
Mitchell Gustin – 2 years

SMF Mission Statement

Sargent Metal Fabricating is dedicated to producing high quality metal fabricated products in a safe, efficient and timely manner. We continually strive for complete customer satisfaction through integrity, reliability and courteous customer service.



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BIODIESEL UPDATE



Clint D. Steele
Vice-president
Marketing



In our January 2003 "Can Do" Review, we announced that Todd & Sargent and West Central Soy had formed a new "biodiesel" partnership, named Renewable Energy Group. This partnership will specialize in the design, engineering, construction and start-up of new soy biodiesel production facilities in the U.S.A.

Today, we are proud to announce that **Renewable Energy Group (R.E.G.)** has formed a "strategic alliance" with two well-respected companies who also serve the oilseed processing industry. **Both of these companies will help us provide our clients with the best process engineering and construction services available in the biodiesel market today.**

The first company that we have teamed-up with is Crown Iron Works of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Established in 1878, Crown Iron Works is the largest supplier of oilseed extraction and refining plants and equipment in North America. Crown will be responsible for process engineering and equipment supply to R.E.G. on new biodiesel facilities. The Crown biodiesel process employs a two-step transesterification process to promote nearly full conversion of the feed triglycerides to biodiesel.

The second company that will be joining the Renewable Energy team is Interstates Electric & Controls of Sioux Center, Iowa. Interstates is a premier provider of electrical installations and plant control systems. Interstates and Todd & Sargent have a long standing relationship that has spanned over 30 years. Interstates was also involved in the new soy biodiesel facility that West Central Soy built in Ralston, Iowa in 2002.

We are pleased to make these announcements and look forward to providing turnkey design, engineering, construction and start-up services to our new biodiesel clients.



2003 Trade Show

Please stop by and visit with us at the following trade shows where Todd & Sargent will be exhibiting.

May 4 - 7, 2003
AOCS Expo
(American Oil Chemists' Society)
Kansas City, MO

May 5 - 7, 2003
AFIA Expo '03
(American Feed Industry Association)
Minneapolis, MN

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