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TODD & SARGENT AWARDED CONTRACT FOR THE NEW SANDERSON FARMS FEEDMILL



Sanderson Farms of Laurel, Mississippi has awarded the contract for their new poultry feedmill at Adel, Georgia to Todd & Sargent, Inc. This marks the third mill that Todd & Sargent has designed and built for Sanderson Farms in the past 14 years. Previously, Todd & Sargent built the Sanderson Farms mill in McComb, Mississippi in 1992 and their mill in Easterly, Texas in 1996.

Sanderson Farms' heritage goes back two generations; a father and his two sons created this company on the foundation of hard work and family values. Today, the "family" comprises more than 8,300 employees and over 600 independent growers. Their Chill Pack Chicken is shipped to nearly every state in the United States. They also ship chicken in the form of fast food, deli, boneless products and parts, along with a broad range of prepared chicken and other food products, frozen entrees, and other specialty foods - all packaged under the Sanderson Farms® label. Output is over 1.4 billion pounds of product a year, generated by production facilities in Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas.

This new mill will be capable of producing in excess of 12,000 tons per week of poultry feed at full production. Grain will be received by 75 car unit trains on a loop track and will be unloaded at 45,000 bushels per hour.

Todd & Sargent crews mobilized on site July 1, 2004 and the mill is scheduled for completion in August, 2005.

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EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Todd & Sargent would like to congratulate **Amanda Graham, Cassandra Vlastelic, Sarah Long** and **Aaron Randol** for being selected as the winners of the Ninth Annual Sargent Group Scholarships. All scholarship applicants are children of full-time Sargent Group employees who are enrolled in an institution of higher education. The winners are selected in a random drawing and receive a check for \$500 to use at their discretion for their educational needs. This year, there were a total of fifteen eligible applications. The scholarships are the Sargent Group's way of promoting and helping children of their employees with their educational opportunities. Congratulations to all!



Lee M. Sargent
President & C.E.O.

40th Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations to **Lee & Sherry Sargent** on the celebration of their 40th Wedding Anniversary. They were married on August 29th, 1964 in Ames, Iowa. Congratulations to the both of you from all of us at Todd & Sargent!!



Philip B. Sargent
Executive
Vice-president



Amanda Graham is the daughter of Courtney Konstanz. Courtney is a Field Leadman for Todd & Sargent. Amanda is attending Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge, Iowa majoring in Social Work.

Cassandra Vlastelic is the daughter of Kirk Gossack. Kirk is a Field Foreman for Todd & Sargent. Amanda is attending East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tennessee majoring in Nursing.



Sarah Long is the daughter of Russ Long. Russ is an Engineering Technician/AutoCAD Operator for Todd & Sargent. Sarah is attending University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa majoring in Social Work.

Aaron Randol is the son of Dave Randol. Dave is a Superintendent for Todd & Sargent. Aaron is attending the University of North Carolina of Chapel Hill in Chapel Hill, North Carolina majoring in Psychology.



WHAT'S BUILDING

Tyson Foods - Union, Mississippi



On April 28, 2004 **Tyson Foods, Inc.** awarded Todd & Sargent the contract to design and construct the high-speed unloading grain storage and feedmill renovation project at their facility in Union, Mississippi. Work includes a rail receiving system rated at 900 TPH, 330,000 bushels of grain storage, new grinder system, new pellet line plus mixing and loadout improvements. Field work began in early May, slip went up the last week of August and substantial completion is expected by the end of the year.

Superintendent Clark Jensen, Foremen Carl Fagan, Pete Jacobsen, Bob Regan, Leadman Rosendo Ponce and crews are working on this project.



Pictured right is the Todd & Sargent Crew in Union, Mississippi: Front Row (L - R): Salvador Ponce, Martin Renteria, Gerardo Matus, Pete Jacobsen. Middle Row (L-R): Ruby Regan, Pedro Garcia, Alberto Renteria, Rosendo Ponce, Esteban Ponce, Cody Berryhill, Feliciano Ponce. Back Row (L-R): Wayne Parker, Carl Fagan, Jose Corona, Felipe Ponce (Not Pictured: Bob Regan and Clark Jensen)



Paul J. Sondgeroth
Vice-president
Operations

Jenison Retires



*Todd & Sargent would like to congratulate **Pete Jenison** on his recent retirement. Pete was the Todd & Sargent Safety Director from August 1989 until his retirement in April of 2004. Pete plans to keep busy golfing, fishing and traveling. Congratulations and we wish you the best!*



Golden Grain Energy, LLC Mason City, Iowa



In January 2004, Henkel Construction awarded the contract to Todd & Sargent to design, engineer and construct two 52' diameter x 115' high grain storage silos for **Golden Grain Energy, LLC** of Mason City, Iowa. The silos consist of 400,000 bushels of capacity, contain six floors and a poured roof.

This project included Superintendents Randy Hullinger, Darrel Bobzien, General Foreman Dale Mittlieder, Foreman Ambrosio Vega, Leadmen Monica Titmus, Mary Bowman, William Weller, Courtney Konstanz and crews.

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Bill Bokhoven
Vice-president
Engineering

Field Promotions

Congratulations to the following Todd & Sargent Field employees on their recent promotions:

Foreman

**Kirk Gossack
Oscar Ramirez**

Leadman

**Celso Renteria
Gustavo Ramirez**



30th Annual Company Picnic Held

The 30th Annual Sargent Group Company Picnic was a "Fried Chicken & Potluck" lunch held on Saturday, August 14th, 2004 at Inis Grove Park in Ames, Iowa. The day was filled with great food and good conversation.

Thanks to all who attended and hope you had a great time.

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Tyson Foods Craig Feedmill - Broken Bow, Oklahoma



Construction for **Tyson Foods Craig Feedmill** in Broken Bow, Oklahoma has begun on their new high speed rail unloading and grain storage facility.

This project consists of a 265,000 bushel grain silo, a 900 TPH rail receiving system and a 200 TPH reclaim system to their existing mill. Also included is a new maintenance building.

Superintendent Darrel Bobzien, Foreman Ambrosio Vega, Leadmen Monica Titmus and Maria Rosario Renteria and crews are in the process of forming the main receiving tunnel, building slip forms and getting ready for an early October slip with substantial completion in December.

Sanderson Farms - Adel, Georgia



Construction has begun at the new **Sanderson Farms** poultry feedmill in Adel, Georgia. Superintendents Scott Tessum, Dave Randol, General Foreman Epifanio Gudino, Foreman Kirk Gossack, and Leadmen Nicolas Castorena, Celso Renteria, Gonzalo Santiago and crews are currently working on below grade tunnels, boot pits and building slip forms with the slip expected to take place the second week of October. This facility is to be completed in August, 2005.

Iams Company - Leipsic, Ohio

A new Packaging Line #5 for the **Iams Company** in Leipsic, Ohio is under construction by Todd & Sargent Superintendent Randy Durby and crew. This project consists of structural, equipment and mechanical installation.



Northern Crossing Rail, LLC Mendota, Illinois



The construction of a new shuttle train loading facility for Northern Crossing Rail LLC being built in Mendota, Illinois began receiving grain in late December, 2003.

The shuttle train loading elevator is a slipformed concrete structure with two 40'-0"

diameter x 140'-0" tall storage tanks with 8 on 12, sandfilled/slickcoated hopper bottoms, three overhead bins, one overhead shipping bin and one manlift shaftway. Elevator storage is 294,000 bushels. Total gravity bushels from the bins to the rail bulkweigher system is 320,000 bushels. The shuttle train loading annex is a slipformed concrete structure with two 58' diameter x 140' tall storage tanks with a luft kanal system. Total capacity of the annex silos is 606,000 bushels. This facility has a capacity of over 900,000 bushels of corn and soybeans with features including a receiving capacity of 20,000 BPH and a loadout rate of 60,000 BPH.

Superintendent Dennis Taggart, General Foreman Robby Shell, Foreman Carl Fagan and crews worked on this facility.



SoyMor Biodiesel, LLC Glenville, Minnesota



Renewable Energy Group has signed an engineering agreement with **SoyMor Biodiesel, LLC** for the design of their new 25 million GPY biodiesel facility in Glenville, Minnesota. It is anticipated that this project will move to the construction phase sometime during the month of September. When complete, this facility will become the largest biodiesel production facility in the United States. More on this exciting project in our next issue.

Renewable Energy Group is a joint venture between Todd & Sargent and West Central Coop.

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Arthur L. Jenison
Operations
Vice-president



Baby Congratulations to:

Mike (T&S Design Development) & Suann Evans on the birth of their daughter, Carliegh Rose, born February 8, 2004.

Craig Sondgeroth (T&S Field) and Julie Heinen on the birth of their daughter, Clara Jean, born on March 27, 2004. (Granddaughter of Paul Sondgeroth, Vice-president Operations.)

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T&S SUPERINTENDENT & FOREMEN OF 2003



Clark Jensen was selected to receive the Todd & Sargent "Superintendent of the Year" Safety Award for 2003. Clark was presented with a \$1,000 check and a trophy by Safety Director Peter Jenison. Congratulations to Clark and his crew for their safety efforts.

Epifanio Gudino and Bob Regan were selected as the Todd & Sargent "Foremen of the Year". Their efforts enabled the company to complete 2003 with a great overall safety record. They were presented with a check for \$250 and a plaque by Todd & Sargent Safety Director Pete Jenison. Congratulations for a job well done.



Wedding
Congratulations to:

Doris Partridge (T&S Engineering) & Gary Wheelock - March 20, 2004.

Stephanie Grundmeier (T&S Accounting) & Lon Taylor - June 12, 2004.

Josh Lewis (T&S Design Development) & Angela Beckstrom - August 16, 2004

Alex Kerrigan (T&S Marketing) & Missy Kenton - August 21, 2004

Tom Lambert (T&S Manlift) & Brenda Browning - September 4, 2004.

Craig Sondgeroth (T&S Yard) & Julie Heinen - September 28, 2004



Todd & Sargent 2004 Anniversaries

January

Lee Sargent - 37 years
Clint Steele - 28 years
Randy Hullinger - 27 years
Gerald Luedtke - 17 years
Mike Willman - 9 years
Tom Lambert - 7 years
Jeremy Ewoldt - 4 years
Kirk Gossack - 2 years
Robert Regan - 2 years

February

Paul Sondgeroth - 29 years
Jeff Moyer - 6 years
Carl Fagan - 5 years
Monica Titmus - 5 years

March

Art Jenison - 41 years
Cindy Kennedy - 29 years
Allan Tedrow - 22 years
Ed Jones - 22 years

April

Dave Randol - 31 years
Phil Sargent - 28 years
Pete Dickerson - 25 years
Dennis Taggart - 23 years
Brent Nixon - 13 years
Pete Jacobsen - 3 years
Adam Vera - 1 year
Todd Lacina - 1 year

May

Paul Noelck - 28 years
Rick Knoll - 19 years
Everett Shaw - 18 years
Dean Petersen - 10 years

Mike Evans - 9 years
Mary Bowman - 9 years
Epifanio Gudino - 9 years
William Weller - 3 years
Craig Sondgeroth - 1 year

June

Darrell Bobzien - 33 years
Russ Long - 32 years
Bill Bokhoven - 16 years
Bruce Flickinger - 13 years
Stephanie Taylor - 10 years
Doris Wheelock - 6 years
Josh Lewis - 2 years
Josh Schneider - 2 years
Roberto Ramirez - 2 years
James Houston - 1 year
Juan Badillo - 1 year
Jose Corona - 1 year
Gerardo Matus - 1 year
Feliciano Ponce - 1 year
Jose Felipe Ponce - 1 year
Ramon Ponce - 1 year
Rosendo Ponce - 1 year
Esteban Ponce - 1 year
Gustavo Ramirez - 1 year
Jesus Alberto Renteria - 1 year
Martin Renteria - 1 year
Celso Renteria - 1 year
Angel Renteria - 1 year
Gonzalo Santiago - 1 year
Ambrosio Vega - 1 year
Ricardo Vega - 1 year
Victor Vega - 1 year

July

Pat Taggart - 21 years
Jim Marshak - 19 years

Dale Mittlieder - 18 years
Vickie Ayers - 16 years
Scott Tessum - 15 years
Russ Shady - 13 years
Brian Iiams - 9 years
Juan M. Lopez - 3 years

August

Mike Baumhover - 28 years
Scott Schoba - 8 years
Nicolas Castorena - 5 years
Mark Vermeer - 1 year
Edgar Rojas - 1 year
Ernesto Rojo - 1 year
Jorge Rojo - 1 year

September

Carla Young - 18 years
Alex Kerrigan - 2 years

October

Robert Clark - 16 years
Clark Jensen - 14 years
Jeff Starnes - 10 years
Jerry Murphy - 4 years
Courtney Konstanz - 3 years

November

Robby Shell - 14 years

December

Michelle Sime - 15 years
Bryan Coussens - 8 years
Ricardo Avalos - 2 years
Pedro Garcia - 2 years

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SARGENT METAL FABRICATING



SMF crew in front of the US Filter spiralator.- Front Row (L to R): Don Bauer, Art Steinberg, James Schultz, Mitch Gustin, Brian Hickle, Ryan Moreland. Back Row (L to R): Mike Weisshaar, Phil Phipps, Jess Smith, Ben Lewis, Bryan Weber, Kenny Nicholson, Robin Frazier, Chad Smith, Beau Jensen, Charles Hoyle, Brian Fooker.

Earlier in 2004, Sargent Metal Fabrication was awarded one of their largest contracts from USDA of Ames, Iowa to fabricate stainless steel embeds for the new USDA BSL-3Ag large animal housing facility in Ames.



Robin Frazier welding headed anchors to a stainless steel door embed for the USDA project in Ames,



Stainless steel materials ready for assembly in the SMF shop.

This project consists of Type 316L stainless steel channel frames, door openings and other assorted embeds for equipment openings, gate attachments and animal tie up rings. The material for these embeds range in thickness from 10 gauge to 1" thick. Fabrication began in March and continues to this day.

SMF was also awarded the contract to fabricate four water treatment spiralators for U S Filter of Ames, Iowa. These tanks are 11'-0" in diameter and 30' tall. They are constructed of 1/4" plate steel. These tanks challenged SMF in assembly and handling, but the crews completed the job safely and without incident.

Other notable projects for SMF include contracts from Electric Pump of Des Moines, Story Construction, Friedrich Construction and Ball Plastics of Ames, Iowa, expansion fabrication for Burke Marketing of Nevada, Iowa and various projects for Todd & Sargent.

We have an exceptional crew that continues to work safely. Give SMF a call with any of your fabricating needs.



Jim Atwood
SMF General Manager

2004 SMF Anniversaries

January

Mike Weisshaar – 10 years
Glen Catus – 9 years

February

Jim Atwood – 26 years

March

Kenny Nicholson – 2 years

April

Jim Moreland – 16 years

July

Jess Smith – 8 years

August

Mitchell Gustin – 3 years
Charles Hoyle – 1 year

October

Renee Rugg – 9 years



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VeraSun Energy - Fort Dodge, Iowa



Pictured in front of the bucket elevator boot pit currently being constructed in Fort Dodge is General Foreman Dale Mittlieder, Superintendent Dennis Taggart and Fagen On-Site Project Manager Dennis Lessard.

VeraSun Energy of Aurora, South Dakota and Fagen, Inc. of Granite Falls, Minnesota have awarded Todd & Sargent the contract to design, engineer and construct a new one million bushel capacity corn storage and receiving facility and a new DDGS storage, handling and loadout facility. Superintendent Dennis Taggart, General Foreman Dale Mittlieder, Foremen Omar Dominguez, Eliseo Maqueda and crews moved on site in August and expect to slip the corn silos and DDGS silos in November.



Clint D. Steele
Vice-president
Marketing

The corn silos are a slipformed concrete structure with two 74'-0" diameter x 150'-0" tall storage tanks with flat floors (500,000 bushels per silo), one overhead "day bin" with 27,641 bushel capacity for pre-scalped corn, one overhead bin for scalped corn (9,970 bushel capacity) and one manlift shaftway. Total storage of the grain elevator is 1,027,641 "useable" bushels. The DDGS silos are a slipformed concrete structure with two 55' diameter x 112' tall storage tanks. Total capacity of the DDGS silos is 8,000 tons. Substantial completion for this project is expected to be in June, 2005.

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West Central Cooperative SoyChlor - Jefferson, Iowa



The new SoyChlor Processing Plant for West Central Coop in Jefferson, Iowa is progressing right on schedule. With the slip completed and the roofs now poured, work begins on the interior platforms and equipment installation. Construction for this new plant began in June, 2004 and commissioning of the facility is anticipated in the first quarter of 2005.

This new facility replaces the existing production plant in Adair, Iowa and will be capable of increasing the current yearly capacity of SoyChlor from 12,000 tons per year to 25,000 tons per year. SoyChlor is a dairy feed supplement sold throughout the United States. Currently, production is shipped in 50# bags and 1-ton tote bags.

Superintendents Pat Taggart, Randy Hullinger, General Foremen Robby Shell, Russ Shady, Foremen Oscar Ramirez, Courtney Konstanz, Leadmen Juan Lopez, Rick Comer, Gustavo Ramirez and crews are working at this facility.

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