

Alliance

“Leading the Way”

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“Personal Safety Commitment”

*2 successful years are already beyond us and we continue to strive to be the best and lead the way in our very demanding industry. I challenge you once again in 2013 to make **Safety Personal**. I challenge you to challenge individuals working around you to adapt to the much needed culture shift that we have clearly adapted to. We need to consider Safety as a value instead of a priority, this value has to be supported by a culture, a mindset that constantly reminds us to execute safely. This culture should be based on personal values not rules or procedures. We need to become self-motivated, start holding ourselves accountable for our actions. We need not to settle for being ordinary, and look for new ways to increase our value as individuals, learn from both good and bad experiences and communicate them openly, establish demanding personal goals and strive to reach beyond them. Alliance Lift Boats has marked the playing field, we have created the conditions for success, it's time to pull together and become passionate about doing our jobs safe. Our goal of “ZERO” is achievable; the key will be execution. Our ability to work as a fully accountable team, rise to the challenges, push beyond setbacks and celebrate being a successful industry.*



Safety Focus

Tommy Pierce

Safety Appeal

We all have a natural tendency to want to be safe. Put another way, psychologists say that normal individuals possess certain desires through which safety becomes appealing.

These desires include:

Avoiding personal injury, Avoiding personal loss, Reward seeking, Striving for leadership, Excelling, Preventing injuries to others, Avoiding making an unfavorable impression, Avoiding punishment.

It's easy to recognize that all of these things do have safety appeal. However, let's take a look at two of the more obvious ones, the desire to avoid personal injury and the desire to avoid personal loss. Personal injury and personal loss are things we all want to escape, but many of us do little on our own to help avoid accidents that cause them. There are things that can be done on the job to help prevent painful incidents, particularly those caused by unsafe acts. First of all, no matter how good you are at your job or how long you've been around, don't take safety for granted. Always keep you're your personal guard up. When you let it down, you are exposing yourself and others to accidents. Second, take time to be safe. Don't take a chance that an accident won't happen this time. Taking shortcuts or not taking time to use a safety device is a quick way to get involved in an accident.



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A third way to avoid unsafe acts is to form good working habits. There is a right way to do every job, and the right way is always the safe way. Accept the fact that accidents don't just happen to the other guy, or at least be realistic enough to acknowledge that you are the other guy to everyone but you. The awful truth is that accidents play no favorites. They can happen to anyone. Take a few minutes to look ahead. Try to visualize your name on an accident report. It could happen, but it doesn't have to if you take the simple precautions we have outlined.

Marpol Annex V

Bill Frye

Marpol Annex V resolution MEPC.201(62) was adopted on 15 July 2011, it is now expected to enter into force on 01 January 2013. The main changes in the revised MARPOL Annex V are as follows:

Practically all discharges of waste into the sea are prohibited, including cooking oil and all plastics, even in the form of incinerator ash.

The only discharges allowed are:

Outside Special Areas:

>3nm from the nearest land for comminuted/ground food waste (able to pass through a screen with openings no greater than 25mm);

>12nm from the nearest land for food waste and cargo residues that are not harmful to the marine environment; Cleaning agents which are not harmful to the marine environment (contained in cargo hold, deck and external surfaces wash water); Animal carcasses (as far as possible from the nearest land and in accordance with IMO guidelines).

Inside Special Areas:

>12nm from the nearest land for comminuted/ground food waste (able to pass through a screen with openings no greater than 25mm);

>12nm for cargo residues that are not harmful to the marine environment (only if the ship is not transiting outside the special area between ports and no adequate reception facilities are available at those ports); Cleaning agents which are not harmful to the marine environment (contained in deck and external surfaces wash water);

The Gulf of Mexico is considered a "Special Area" An "en route" clause has been introduced, meaning that most allowable discharges are only permitted while the ship is en route.

A Revised Garbage Record Book (new categories and different recording requirements).

Every vessel of 100 GT and above or carrying 15 persons or more shall carry a Garbage Management Plan.

Vessels 12 meters in length or more and fixed or floating platforms are to display placards notifying crew and passengers of the MARPOL Annex V requirements.

Discharges of any garbage from fixed or floating platforms and from any ship alongside or within 500m of a fixed or floating platform are prohibited.

Making Safety Personal

(Home Safety Tips): Top 10 Home Safety Tips for Kids

Home -- it's where children grow and learn, the place where they find comfort, love and care. It's where they can see, touch, explore and experience the world around them, so their minds and bodies develop properly. It's also a place where children need to feel safe. Fortunately, home injuries are largely avoidable through education and prevention. Parents can take proactive steps to childproof the home and keep their children safe by teaching them a few practical rules.

10. Never Leave Children Alone Near Water
9. Keep Cleaning Materials and Other Chemicals away from Children.
8. Any Firearms Should Be Unloaded and Locked away.
7. Keep Sleeping Areas as Bare as Possible, Especially for Babies.
6. Cover Electrical Outlets and Protect Children from Electrical wires.
5. Keep Small Items and Food Out of Reach.
4. Install a Smoke Alarm and Carbon Monoxide Detector.
3. Secure Windows, Block Stairways and Lock Doors.
2. Keep Children Safe Around the Family Pet.
1. Be Prepared for an Emergency.





Spouts forming! A-III jacked up just east!!

Alliance Crew Quarters

License Upgrades/Renewals

Jeremy Nagy

Upgrade: 100 ton Master/200 ton Mate to 200 ton Master

Steve Snyder

Renewal: 500 ton Master

James Reeves

Upgrade: 200 ton Mate/100 ton Master to 200 ton Master

Employee Gathering

Next employee gathering is tentatively scheduled for 14-January 2013 same place same time



Capt. Dane Matherne A-II shows off the catch of the day!



Captain CJ Hebert A-IV enjoys a nap with son Hunter