

COMMONGROUND

AUGUST 2020

NEW PROJECTS

Another Hylant building renovation and Kenworth Trucking robot cells

Hylant building, downtown Toledo - RLG is renovating Hylant's 3rd and 4th floors for NSG.

RLI is removing and reinstalling new vanities.

GEM is replacing over 350 existing light fixtures with LED, 14 toilets and six urinals with new, and four vanity tops with 16 sinks.

Work will be complete in September.

Leading the team:

Dan Diekman, RLI project manager
Jason Bartley and **Shane Spring**, GEM project managers

Jim Cannon, RLI superintendent
Dave Gottschalk and **Mike Wozniak**, GEM foremen

The RLG team is also renovating Hylant's 8th and 9th floors, a 22,000-square-foot design-build project scheduled for completion in mid-September.

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Kenworth Trucking Co., Chillicothe - GEM is salvaging 2.1m robot cells. Work will be complete in early September.

Leading the team:

Brad Harhold, estimator/project manager
Chris Young, general foreman

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AT THE 'DUCK DROP'

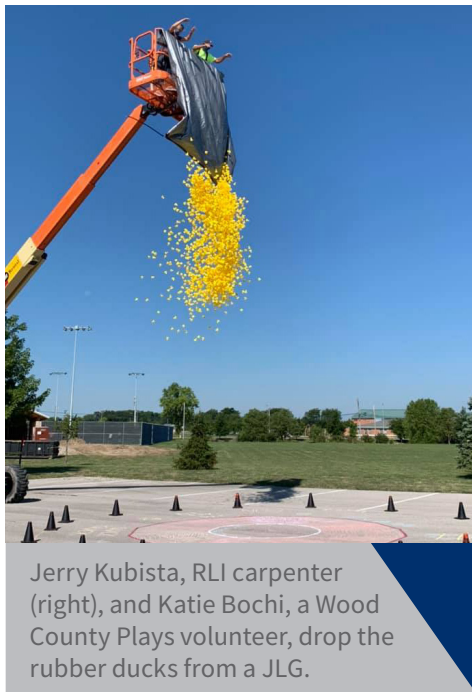
RLI and Ohio CAT support the Wood County Plays fundraiser

The Wood County Plays "Duck Drop" raised nearly \$30,000 for the Perrysburg Inclusive Playground project, a thoughtfully designed, safe space for all children regardless of size, mobility, or ability.

To support the August 8 fundraiser, Ohio CAT donated a JLG lift. **Jerry Kubista**, RLI carpenter, served as operator and helped **Katie Bochi**, a Wood County Plays volunteer, hoist and release the ducks 50 feet in the air.

Donors bought 2,500 rubber ducks which were dropped onto a target on the ground. The three ducks that landed closest to the target won cash prizes.

The fundraising continues. For more details or to donate, go to wcplays.org. Construction is scheduled to start in summer 2021.



Jerry Kubista, RLI carpenter (right), and Katie Bochi, a Wood County Plays volunteer, drop the rubber ducks from a JLG.

RLG PEOPLE

A promotion

Jeremy Mitchell has been promoted to Mechanical Project Manager/Estimator at GEM's Walbridge office.



A new assignment

Jason Manders
Project Coordinator
Service Group
Cleveland



CONGRATS, TEAM!

GEM FM adds a new customer

Midwest Vascular & Varicose Vein Center
T&M Agreement

The backstory: In summer 2019, RLG's **Special Accounts team** completed an addition/renovation for Midwest Vascular, allowing the customer to become a Level 1 surgery facility.

When the job was complete, GEM's **Joe Gajdostik** and **Amy Swiderski** met with Midwest Vascular and sent a quote.

Then, a few weeks ago, **Dan Diekman** responded to an issue with a rooftop unit at Midwest Vascular. While on site, he reminded our customer contact about upcoming maintenance tasks, including emptying traps before winter and changing filters. He recommended that she re-engage with GEM - and the result was a new Facility Maintenance contract with Midwest Vascular.

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Left: **Bob McGee** and **Matt Hittle** of RLI with **Mike Haynes**, union president. Right: the plaque frame routed by the RLI yard.

TOLEDO POLICE PATROLMEN'S UNION HALL

A final touch to the renovation honors late Officer Anthony Dia

Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association

- The 22,000-square-foot remodel of the union hall added bathrooms, windows, doors and a new kitchen area. RLI was design/build contractor.

Leading the team:

Kyle Dodd, RLI business development
Matt Hittle, RLI project manager
Bob McGee, RLI superintendent
Dave Dunn, RLI laborer foreman
Dillon Gansmiller, GEM electrician foreman
Dave Mack and **Mike Wozniak**, GEM plumbing foremen

Renovations to the union hall included a small project close to the hearts of the officers and the community.

Below the large stained glass plaque on the organization's wall is a line of smaller plaques bearing the names of the officers who have died in the line of duty.

In the RLI yard, **Scott Phillips** routed the wood to add space for one more name - **Officer Anthony Dia**, who died on July 4.

NEW PROJECTS

Four INEOS projects and Jones-Hamilton tank replacements

INEOS, Lima - **GEM** will complete four fast-track projects in October and November:

- Installation of a GEM-fabricated sparger inside a reactor.
- Heavy rigging and welding build-up on ductwork flanges removed from the reactor.
- Removing and replacing a vertical exchanger and replacing five expansion joints.
- Rigging, installation and torquing.
- Performing welding build-up to restore a 2-foot by 14-foot section of the head's column shell to its original nominal thickness.

Leading the team:

Phil Klingensmith, estimator/project manager
Mike Capps, superintendent
Kevin Brown, pipefitter general foreman
Matt Perry and **Justin Ellerbusch**, boiler-maker general foremen

Brad Lochard, safety specialist

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Jones-Hamilton, Walbridge - GEM is replacing three storage tanks. The project involves:

- installing new structural steel.
- removing all piping and installing new supports.
- removing all electrical and replacing conduit.
- removing and installing new aluminum storage tanks.

Work will be complete in September.

Leading the team:

Dusty Moore, lead project manager
Jacob Butler, structural project manager
Joe Pesci, mechanical project manager
Lee Pfund, electrical project manager
Eric Riley, general boilermaker foreman
Dillon Gansmiller, electrician foreman
Don Meier, mechanical foreman
Kevin Carpenter, structural steel foreman

CUSTOMER FEEDBACK

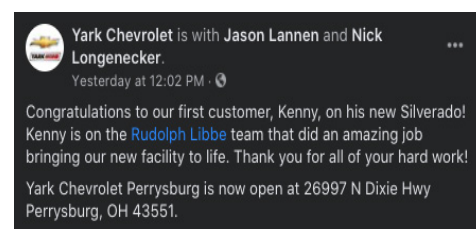
Kudos from Yark for RLI and GEM

D.J. Yark of **Yark Automotive Group** says:

"The new Yark Chevrolet is simply an amazing facility from the first step in the door. We are so excited to share this new facility with everyone and begin serving all of our loyal customers."

He adds, "I would also like to thank the team at Rudolph Libbe Group, as well as all of our subcontractors that kept this massive project on time through the breakout of COVID-19. This was truly a collective effort in great teamwork."

In the photo below, RLI's **Ken Katschke** (left), the dealership's first customer, is with **Jason Lannen**, Yark sales manager.



Yark's new Chevy dealership.

Thanks for the leads!

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