# COMMONGROUND

DECEMBER 2021

#### INTERDEPENDABILITY IN ACTION

Office 365 migration: Success depends on collaboration

If you have a company computer, cell-phone and/or tablet, your devices are being migrated to Office 365. The huge endeavor involves 842 computers, 233 tablets and 671 cell phones.

To ensure success, **Information Services** (IS) is relying on the **RLG Office 365 Team**. This group of RLI and GEM nontech champions, from different departments and functions, is helping with the many tasks involved.

It's a collaborative process with no one person making all the decisions. Everyone contributes and brings their unique experience to ensure success for RLG.

Just a few examples:

- Tess Erskin, Christie Fair, Chris Kaspar, Susan Deal, Margaret Hutton and our 0365 team leads have been instrumental in planning and organizing the associate migration sessions.
- The team has successfully managed sessions in our remote offices.
- The IT Staff has provided technical support in person or remotely during all sessions.

 Tess Erskin will continue to lead Friday training sessions into the new year.

"The success of the Office 365 project has been dependent on collaboration between both RLI and GEM leaders and associates," says **Keith St. John**, RLG director of information technology. "Office 365 will enable us to work together even better."



Chris Babcock Brad Deal Susan Deal Christie Fair Margaret Hutton Chris Kaspar Keith St. John Tammela Strait

Commit to the success of others
- the Building Success Together Roadmap

#### Interdependability:

Making the choice to work together and be the person others can count on to accomplish something even greater than what could be achieved working independently.

### **RLG'S IDEA LAB IS OPEN 24/7/365**

An idea for the future: Employee-Direct Sales/Craft Shopping Event

Jeannette Snyder submitted an idea for an Employee-Direct Sales/Craft Shopping Event.

The RLG Wellness Committee surveyed associates to gauge interest in an RLG associate/family holiday craft and trade show.

Associates showed interest in attending, but there were not enough RLG associate "vendors" to move forward with an event immediately.

However, the Wellness Committee will review the idea again in the future - and next time, it could happen.

## **RLG PEOPLE**

Sutter heads for World of Concrete

**Kurtis Sutter**, a thirdyear apprentice bricklayer for RLI, will compete in the Bricklayer 500 at



the World of Concrete on January 18-20, 2022 in Las Vegas. Sutter won the Mason Contractors Association of America Regional Competition on Oct 9.

#### Jacobs named 2021 Emerging HR Professional of the Year

The Northwest Ohio HR Association, in partnership with The Employers' Association and the BGSU Executive Master in Organization Development Program, has named **Kendallyn** 



**Jacobs**, human resources generalist II, as its 2021 Emerging HR Professional of the Year.

#### A promotion



Russ Holbrook
Accounting Manager
Millwright/Ironworker
Group
GEM Cleveland

More RLG People news on back >

Have an idea you'd like to share and have others build upon? Don't be critical or second-guess your idea.

Just log in at the Viima link on the GEM or RLI intranet home pages. No Viima account? Contact **Jennifer LaCourse** at jennifer.lacourse@rlgbuilds.com.

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# RLG PEOPLE

A promotion

Chris Lee Network Administrator II RLG Information Services.





Welcome to RLG!

**Kristin Campbell**Assistant Controller
GEM Walbridge







Garrett Stine
Business Development
Manager
Facility Management
GEM Walbridge

Brett Ardner VDC Designer GEM Walbridge



**Jonathon Dugan** Account Manager RLG Michigan

Christy Kovacs Project Engineer Piping Group GEM North Ridgeville



#### A new intern at GEM



Skylar Hartbarger
Mechanical Intern
GEM – Ardagh Bluewave
BGSU graduate
Business Administration



A "composite crew" of GEM pipefitters, ironworkers and insulators are making the **First Solar Phase II** pipe rack module installation run smoothly. Pictured here are **Jeremy Johnson** and **Eric Malczewski**, pipefitters, with **Jon Marshall**, ironworker.

# **NEW PROJECTS**The Toledo Clinic, Clarios Battery Plant

**The Toledo Clinic** – GEM is upgrading the building's BAS HVAC control system, including air handlers, boilers, heating zone pumps, chiller and vav boxes in buildings one, two and three.

GEM is updating the system to Distech Controls, the latest intelligent building solutions for better control, comfort and efficiency of The Toledo Clinic's HVAC systems.

The project will start by mid-December and will be complete in early January.

Leading the team:

Rob Folger, estimator Scott Bylow, project manager Jim Hammond, foreman, assisted by James Thompson

**Clarios Battery Plant, Toledo – RLG** is performing layout, setting and assembly for two 24-ton Sovema ball mills, baghouses, platforms and pellet conveyors.

**GEM** is providing millwright, ironworker and sheet metal trade services. GEM has also been engaged to perform some **GPS** design-build services for the mill foundations, mezzanine access platform and the pellet conveyance equipment.

**RLI** is performing concrete floor removal, excavation, rebar installation, and pouring

and finishing two ball mill foundations with sump pits.

Work will be complete in mid-January.

#### Leading the team:

**Daniel Stark,** GEM GPS project manager **Ryan Mathewson,** GEM GPS preconstruction **Brandon Gartee,** business development manager

**Jim Bronson,** GEM millwright estimator/ project manager

**Paul Anderson,** GEM sheet metal estimator/project manager

**Charlie Korotnayi,** GEM electrical estimator **Craig Erchenbrecher,** GEM millwright foreman

**Bryan Milligan,** GEM millwright superintendent

**Brad Mitchell,** GEM sheet metal superintendent

**Nick Walby,** RLI special accounts manager **Jeff Lowell,** RLI foreman

#### THANKS FOR THE LEADS

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