

In the Levee Loop !



News of the Flood Protection Authority

May 15, 2017

The Flood Protection Authority Launches New Website With Focus on Education

The Authority's increased focus on public outreach attained new heights with the launch of its exciting new website on May 8th. The website informs the public about the Authority's mission, features photos and narratives on various components of the flood protection system, provides valuable information so that the public can take proactive steps to protect their homes and businesses, and offers links to a number of important websites. Visit our new website at floodauthority.org.

We are also pleased to announce the launch of our new Facebook page. Please visit "Flood Protection Authority" on Facebook.

THE FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY—EAST COMMISSIONERS

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*We cannot solve our problems
with the same thinking we
used when we created them.*

Albert Einstein

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT JOE HASSINGER

"How we behave as the boss at work today, affects what goes on around the dinner table in other people's homes tonight." James Hunter.

It is critical that our supervisors - those who are responsible for *and to* others, continually demonstrate effective leadership. Here are a few things that outstanding supervisors do: (1) They treat others like they want to be treated; (2) They exude integrity - honesty, sincerity, consistency, and credibility. In other words, they say what they mean and do what they say; (3) They set the example; (4) They show humility. Stated otherwise, they don't put their success and ego ahead of others, and when things go wrong, they take responsibility; (5) They listen and communicate well; (6) They inspire the best in people and acknowledge others.

What may seem a small deed by a supervisor -- a simple "thank you," for example, or a rude reaction -- can have a huge impact on a coworker. Keep that in mind, and strive day in and day out to make your impact a positive one.

New Convenient Method for Employee Newsletter Participation

In The Levee Loop suggestion boxes have been placed in work areas for employees to conveniently provide input for their newsletter. Our boxes are for more than suggestions. We welcome ideas for future newsletters, workplace news, information and tips, personal good news (such as weddings, births, graduations, anniversaries and certifications), and short original articles. Submittals can be placed in our *In the Levee Loop* Boxes, emailed to gboudreaux@slfpae.com or sent to Glenda Boudreaux, SLFPA-E, Airport Terminal Suite 225, 6001 Stars & Stripes Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70126.



Safety Awareness & Employee Appreciation Day Observed at O.L.D. Franklin Facility



Record Set for Employees Receiving 25-Year Service Award

President Joe Hassinger joined the Flood Protection Team to enjoy crawfish at the Orleans Levee District's Annual Safety Awareness Meeting and Employee Appreciation Day on April 26th. Service award certificates were presented to employees with a 2016 anniversary of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years of service. Certificates of award were also presented to individuals previously recognized by the Board as Employee of the Month.



30 Years of Service
Dianne Johnson
Myron Beaulieu
Alvin Bedou
Gail Maurice
Albert Pellitteri

20 Years of Service
June Humphrey
Darnell Laurent
Thaddeus Petit



25 Years of Service
Crayton Byrd
Steven Durr
Carol Kiefer
John Richard
Ryan Thompson
Betty Vignes
Charles Hill
Bruno Mason

15 Years of Service
Wilma Heaton

10 Years of Service
Monica Hall

5 Years of Service
Tuyet Nguyen



Safety Awareness & Employee Appreciation Day Observed at EJLD Maintenance-Police Complex



The Flood Protection Team came together to recognize the importance of safety awareness and express appreciation to LBBLD and EJLD employees on May 10th held at the EJLD Maintenance and Police Complex. Service awards were presented to employees with a 2016 anniversary of 5, 10 and 15 years of service.

EJLD

5 Years of Service
Earl Hardouin
Alfred Lewis

10 Years of Service
Jonell Cangelosi
Terry Durnin
Don Juneau

15 Years of Service
Troy Nelson



LBBLD

5 Years of Service
Vincent Canzoneri, III
Charles Croll
Philip Lapara
Angel Shepherd



Excellence in the Workplace

Carl Allen Recognized by Board as Employee of the Month



The Flood Protection Authority recognized Carl Allen, Operations and Maintenance Employee of the Month, at its April 20th Board meeting. Carl is a Maintenance Repairer 2 in the floodgate maintenance crew. Carl joined the O.L.D. over 25 years ago as a laborer for South Shore Harbor. Today he is a member of a crew operating and maintaining over 200 floodgates throughout the protection system in Orleans Parish. He also

volunteers as a bobtail dump trucks operator, cuts grass when additional personnel are required, and takes on high tide surveillance duty during after hour closures of Bayou Bienvenue. Carl always has a positive attitude and can be counted on to complete the scheduled daily tasks. Recently, Carl has asserted himself as an assistant leader to plan, schedule work and obtain required tools in the absence of his foreman supervisor. Carl is always on time, completes his work timely and with skilled workmanship.

Reserve Lt. Carl Mayeaux Recognized as Police Employee of the Month

Reserve Lt. Carl Mayeaux, affectionately known to all as Mr. Carl, is the epitome of professionalism. He triples the time that is required each month for the EJLD reserve division. He shows up an hour early for his shift so he is prepared for his patrol duties and tackles any and all tasks that are asked of him. Mr. Carl has been a valued member of the EJLD Police department for 21 years and is truly the gold standard that all young officers should try to emulate. He goes above and beyond what is expected of him. He is the first reserve to sign up for special events or when a watch is short manpower. His loyalty, devotion to the department and pure honesty are recognized as he pushes others to maximize their daily potential. Mr. Carl is the backbone of not just the reserve division but a highly disciplined and respected member of the EJLD family.



EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE LIAISON / BEREAVEMENT OFFICER ASSISTS AUTHORITY'S EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES



Chandra Chaffin, the Authority's Grants Administrator, also serves as the Employee Assistance Liaison/Bereavement Officer. Chandra is available to provide support and referral services for employees and families who are experiencing acute stress due to crises including natural disasters, terror attacks, or personal grief and loss. Chandra is certified in Professional Disaster Mental Health Training, a certification only available to those currently licensed as mental health professionals (B.S. in Psychology and an M.A. in Mental Health Counseling). This position does not provide therapy to the employees, but serves as a source of support and a resource for referrals. Chandra's office is located in Suite 225 of the New Orleans Lakefront Airport and can be contacted via email (cchaffin@slfpae.com) or phone (office: 504.262.8911 or cell: 504.258.0709).