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SAFE DRIVER YEARBOOK

Pennsylvania's Safest
School Bus Drivers

2020-2021

Pennsylvania School Bus Association **Proudly Presents** *Safe Driver Awards*



This year the Pennsylvania School Bus Association presented 34 Safe Driver Awards. The Awards program was established to recognize the efforts of school bus drivers who are dedicated to providing the safest ride for their passengers. All drivers honored this year have a minimum of five (5) years of continuous accident-free driving, with four drivers having achieved over forty years of safe driving

Our 34 safe drivers being honored have a combined total of:

♦ ***789 years of accident-free driving***

The Safe Driver Award Winners' commitment to safety should inspire all professional drivers and we applaud their



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The Pennsylvania School Bus Association was founded in 1980 and consists approximately 300 school bus contractors and industry partners who have come together to be a strong voice for school bus safety and the school bus contracting industry.

Our mission is to provide programs, education, and services to promote and foster the highest degree of safety in the transportation of school children and strengthen the quality of student transportation through professional management. PSBA works with many Pennsylvania organizations and government agencies to advance the mission and accomplish the goals of the membership.

We believe that gaining the respect and confidence of the students, parents, school administration, and members of the community provide the incentive to accomplish and maintain the highest degree of ethical conduct.

2020/2021

Safe Driver Awards



FIVE YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

Monte Baker
Delwood Smith
Franklin (Frank) Wagner

TEN YEAR SAFE DRIVER

Charlotte Shoop
Ralph Shoop

FIFTEEN YEAR SAFE DRIVER

Mary Ann Burleigh
Janet A. Conlon
Ruth Del Vecchio
Justin Dolan
Denille Girardat Myers
Bruce Hanold, Jr.
Lisa T. Sickler
Donna J. Taylor
Jenny M. Taylor

TWENTY YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

Dee Alter
Terry L. Bergbigler
Pamela Cosky
Clarence "Herb" Fletcher
Christina M. Lear
Michelle J. Sharp
Kim Wilson

2020/2021

Safe Driver Awards



TWENTY-FIVE YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

Kimberly Bernard
Giulia M. Fetterman
Colleen Slowey

THIRTY YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

John R. Choffel, Jr.
Christa A. Egli
Katie Gethers
Kathy Richards
Glenda C. Smith

FORTY YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

Raymond Albert
Janet Greenawald
William Michelini
Cynthia "Be" Moline

FORTY-FIVE YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

Linda Scheidemantle

FIFTY YEAR SAFE DRIVERS

Shirley Thomas

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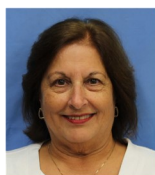
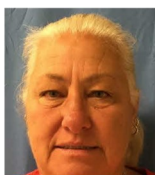
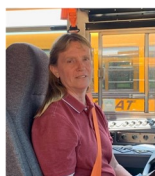
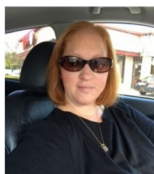
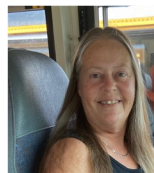
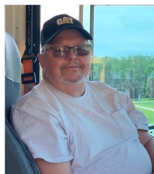
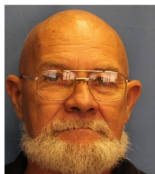
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Michellini Bus Company

W. L. Roenigk Inc.



Congratulations to our **SAFE DRIVERS!**



Raymond Albert



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 40 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Ray was the Captain for the drivers at Seneca Valley SD, guiding them out of the massive secondary campus daily and keeping all drivers on schedule with his routine time checks. Ray was an extremely conscientious driver and was always attentive to all details of his daily route. In his time driving, Ray transported generations of students safely and ON TIME, along with knowing each student by name and knowing their family. He truly cared about his job, his performance and his students. Ray also coordinated the after school activity runs and band trips to ensure they ran smoothly and efficiently. His dedication to the job was one of the reasons Ray has run accident free for 40 years. Unfortunately for all of us, Ray lost his battle with cancer on September 1st and we lost a great driver, co-worker and friend in the process. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his wife Chrissy, who is also a Seneca Valley SD bus driver. Ray's impact on all those who knew him will live on and we are proud to give this award to his family! We will miss Ray being part of the ABC Transit family and telling us "14:50...time to take 'em home!"

Dee Alter



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 20 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton,
PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Where has the time gone? We cannot believe this driver has been with us for 20 years, always putting safety and her students first. Dee is a driver that connects with her students and will make sure a sub knows how important each and every child is. Always there to jump into another bus when needed, making sure she gets each detail right. We would be happy to have Dee for another 20 years!

Monte Baker



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 5 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Monte is a driver that came to us after many years of driving a log truck and has 5 years of service and commitment to the safe transportation of our students. Monte always has a smile and calmness about him that makes working with him a pleasure. He always puts the students first and has the ability to jump in when there is a need.

Terry L. Bergbigler



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 20 years!

Proud Employer: W.L. Roenigk of Sarver, PA,
Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Terry started driving in 1971 at the age of 22. This year is his 50th anniversary of continuous years of School Bus Driving with W. L. Roenigk Inc. Bergbigler, a lifelong Buffalo Township resident, former 24-year township supervisor, cattle farmer and retired Freeport Area custodian, is the longest serving driver Roenigk has ever had. He worked as a custodian for the Freeport School District, as his full time career until his retirement a few years ago. All of his years driving bus were for Freeport and he drove the same route carrying multiple generations of families over the years.

"Terry has been one of the most stable, most sought-after drivers we've ever had," President Sue Roenigk said. "The kids love him and the teachers respect him. He's the first request for field trips."

Kimberly Bernard



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 25 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Kim began her career driving school bus 25 years ago when she needed to work and had three small children. Kim could not afford to put her children in daycare so she decided driving a school bus was her best option. Make money and bring your kids to work? Perfect!

Kim has made many good friends through the years. Kim remembers her first year on the job and how bad the weather was making driving somewhat of a challenge. School bus driving would be the perfect job if not for the very early start in the morning. Kim enjoys staying on the same route. Over the years she really gets to know the parents and children well. Watching the kids grow up and become young adults is very rewarding.

In addition to driving a regular route Kim is a very accomplished school bus trainer. Kim has been training new drivers for the last ten years. Kim spent 9 years driving for the Kennett Area School District, 5 years in Glenmoore sub driving and finally a regular route in Coatesville. Kim hopes that someday all 72 passenger school buses will have air-conditioning

Kim is a true asset to the company and we look forward to many more years she will give to us training and driving.

Mary Ann Burleigh



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Mary Ann began her school bus driving career 25 years ago when her son was young and she needed a job. Not wanting to put her son in day care, Mary Ann chose to drive a school bus so she could bring her son to work with her. She remembers in the beginning how overwhelming it was.

Mary Ann finds today the biggest challenge is the increased traffic out there on the roadways and dodging pot holes. She would love to see a day when all the buses have air-conditioning! Mary Ann has met a lot of great kids and parents throughout the years and has formed some lasting relationships. The best is when a child gives you a note telling you how much they appreciate their bus driver. It still gets to her how sentimental she is when these little things occur. If asked about driving a school bus Mary Anne would tell anyone to go for it.

When not working Mary Ann spends her time with her husband and family.

John R. Choffel, Jr.



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 30 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Thank you for 30 years of service and for the countless hours spent behind the wheel of a school bus! Safely transporting not only on a daily route but the hours spent with most of our school trips. You have always represented Girardat LP with professionalism and pride and we are proud to have you as a dedicated team member. Not only is John an integral part of our fleet mechanic staff, he is part of our crazy family!! Thank you for all the hats you wear in our business!

Janet A. Conlon



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Janet Conlon started with Krapf February of 2006. Janet lives in West Chester with her husband John of twenty five years. John and Janet have three amazing children. Kelly, John and Alyssa. Janet's family also has a border collie they rescued from the SPCA named Kelsey.

Janet quit her corporate world job to become a school bus driver. Janet could make money and see that her own children go to and from school. She did not want to place them in day care. Janet enjoyed that her and her children were on the same schedule. Makes life enjoyable for everyone. Janet loves her job as a school bus driver and has enjoyed seeing students grow up over the years. She loves driving for her nonpublic school, St Phillips and James. Janet enjoys her students and she also loves seeing their smiling faces. Her students tell her so many funny stories.

Manager Barbara Martz comments; Janet has been a very safe, friendly and professional school bus driver all of her 16 years with Krapf and 15 years safe driving. You make all of us here at Krapf VERY PROUD.

Pamela Cosky



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 20 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Pam has driven for ABC Transit for five years, but has an additional 15 years as a driver. She has been a very flexible driver and has performed multiple runs throughout her career. For Pam, the safety of her students is of top priority and she is a stickler for all the details of her route and bus to ensure that safety. Pam has been accident free for her 20 years of driving and plans on finishing out here driving career just the same. Pam also works in-between runs in the wash bay and office to add to her contributions to ABC Transit. Thank you Pam for being part of the ABC Transit family and congratulations on your award!

Ruth Del Vecchio



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Ruth began her career working for the Krapf Bus Company in January of 2003. Ruth signed on to be a substitute bus driver. Prior to driving a school bus Ruth had experience driving larger trucks and thought this type of work would be an easy driving job. She soon became very aware it was not as easy as she had imagined.

For the past fifteen years Ruth has been participating in yearly school bus competitions. These competitions start on a County level then a State level and based on competition placing to an International level. Ruth has been very successful at competitions earning her way to the International level on two occasions. Ruth's late husband John was always her biggest supporter who loved volunteering his time to be a competition judge on the County and State level. They enjoyed the experience as a team.

When not working Ruth enjoys spending time at the beach, gardening and tending to her tropical fish aquarium.

Justin Dolan



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Justin has "yellow" in his blood, his Grandparents started Girardat LP and he has been an integral part of our team of safe drivers for 15 years. Being a part of our staff of mechanics is another hat that he wears - his attention to detail and the care that he demonstrates with our equipment is fabulous. Justin helps us maintain our fleet so we can provide safe and efficient transportation to several local schools.

Christa Egli



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 30 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Not only 30 years as a safe driver at Girardat LP but a member of what is behind the company name. Christa is one of the owners of "Team Girardat" and must fill any seat on any route when needed. Daily changes bring daily needs with the company and family is what keeps the wheels turning in what we consider our most important job, getting the students safely to and from school as well as school activities.

Giulia M. Fetterman



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 25 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

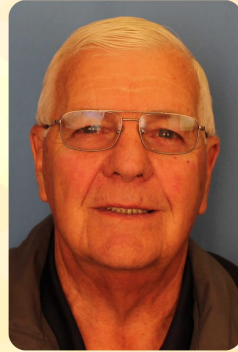
Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Giulia Fetterman started at Krapf October 1995. Giulia is single and has two grown children. Jamie is her son and Melissa is her daughter. Giulia started driving for extra income and while her children were young and went to West Chester schools. Giulia has three grandchildren-Gianna, James and Emmett and one more grandchild on the way in November. She also has a pet dog named Sophie. Giulia enjoys visiting and playing with her grandchildren. She also enjoys taking Sophie on long walks. Giulia also enjoys going to the beach and visiting Alaska and wants to go again.

Giulia says one thing she enjoys about driving school bus is that she enjoys the different changes in the students threw out the years. She also has the freedom of being outdoors, not cooped up in an office setting. The weather is always a challenge when you drive a big yellow school bus. Every day is never the same. Asked if there was a change in driving the big yellow school bus what would that be- she states having air conditioning. She also states about driving a school bus you need to have patience -it's a MUST! You are dealing with students, parents, school administration and the other motorists on the roadways.

Manager Barbara Martz comments: Giulia has been a safe, reliable and professional driver all of her 26 years here at Krapf. She is always helping her fellow co-workers and the office staff. Thank you Giulia for all of your 25 years of safe, caring and reliable driving! You make all of us here at Krapf VERY PROUD.

Clarence "Herb" Fletcher



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 20 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Herb has been as reliable an employee as anyone in the ABC Transit family. You can count on him to be there early every morning and ready for the day, with his attention to detail and meticulous care of his students. Herb has been accident free for 20 years doing multiple routes, usually being given routes that are difficult to ensure they are done correctly. If we need the job done right, we ask Herb. He has also been a tireless recruiter and excellent representative for ABC Transit by visiting local businesses, churches, civic clubs and other organizations to promote the school bus driving profession. His efforts have brought others in to emulate the excellent job he does daily. Congratulations Herb and thank you for proudly representing the ABC Transit family in all you do!

Katie Gethers



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 30 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Katie has driven for over 30 years accident free. She has been a model of consistency and safety for the Shaler Area School District during that time. Katie helps other ABC Transit employees be better bus drivers through her words and actions while on the job. She is also very giving of her time and will do anything when asked, never saying no. Katie always has a smile for her students, is a pleasant person at all times and brings a high level of professionalism to her job. She is a wonderful employee and we are thrilled she is part of the ABC Transit family. Congratulations Katie on your award!

Denille Girardat- Myers



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Denille is an owner of Girardat LP and integral part of why our team has such amazing drivers. She pays a great deal of attention to making sure the staff has what they need to get the students to and from school. To say she wears many hats would be an understatement! Denille is the current president of PSBA during a time when the school bus industry has been facing many challenges. Nevertheless, her term as PSBA President has brought many advancements for the association. COVID has presented many hurdles and her team of employees have adapted to those under her leadership.

Janet Greenawald



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 40 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Janet came to us after many years of safe driving with another company. Thank you for the countless hours spent behind the wheel of a bus and for doing so in a professional manner. Not only do we appreciate your daily duties, but we value your willingness to spend many evenings with our student athletes. We are thankful for your continued dedication!

Bruce Hanold, Jr.



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Bruce has driven safely for us for 15 years in many capacities. He not only transports daily in our local school district but does a, long distance weekend run for exceptional learners. Bruce always has a smile and the ability to make our day special with a great story. Safety and attention to detail are important to him and we are happy to have Bruce on our team.

Christina M. Lear



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 20 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Chris was actually filling out her application for school bus driver at the Krapf Glenmoore site on September 11, 2001. On her way home that's when she learned about the fatal attack on the United States of America by terrorists. She still could not believe the news till she returned home to see on the TV. Chris has driven always driven non-public students to and from school. Started with Krapf October 15, 2011. She has enjoyed her students, co-workers and behind the big yellow bus steering wheel. Every day is a new adventure out on the highways.

Chris has been married to her husband and best friend Jeff for 28 years. The two met in 1976 and married in 1993 and have been inseparable ever since. Chris has a daughter Cara who is and 34 years old and a nurse. Chris and her husband are very proud of her accomplishments.

Chris enjoys driving the big yellow school bus and says that that when the kids get on the bus and they're excited about learning something new and the students cannot wait to share with Chris. She loves that about driving. Something new every day.

Manager Barbara Martz comments: Chris has been a safe, professional and over all friendly driver. Chris is always on time and willing to help a fellow co-worker. Thank you Chris for being a safe, reliable, professional driver all of your 20 years here at Krapf. Here at Krapf we are VERY PROUD of Chris on receiving this award.

Congratulations Chris!

William Michelinini



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 40 years!

Proud Employer: Michelinini Bus Co. of Force, PA, Elk County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Bill has a long history in the company starting with his grandfather. Michelinini Bus company was started in 1934 by Bill's grandfather. When Bill was around 12 years old, he would go down and sweep the buses on the weekends. During the summer he would wax the exterior. He recalls helping scrape the paint off the roof of a bus that was being painted for, another contractor. Bill's dad took over the business in 1976 and Bill started driving a daily route for his dad in January of 1981. Bill drove field trips and was also involved in maintaining the buses. He has even replaced the sides of a bus and painted it himself. When his dad retired in 1997 Bill then became the owner and still drives a daily route and field trips. Bill is a very safe driver and to date has never been involved in an accident with a school bus. In his 40 years of driving bus, he has driven approximately 775,000 miles. He can frequently be heard saying "I used to drive them on the bus." Unbeknownst to him, he drove his future wife on field trips when she played in the high school band. After she graduated from high school, they started dating and later married and then he taught her how to drive a bus. He became a certified instructor in 2000 and continues to train other drivers including his oldest son.

He has a positive attitude and works to ensure the safety of his equipment. He is always cleaning his windows for visibility or spraying the bus off to keep it clean. He is flexible with teachers on field trips and will call them if needed for more specifics on their upcoming event in order to ensure everything runs smoothly. He has been known to travel to an unfamiliar site by car if the location is unfamiliar. Prior to the start of school year, he participates in Kindergarten orientation by taking a bus to the school and speaking to the students about bus safety.

Cynthia "Be" Moline



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 40 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

ABC Transit's Fox Chapel garage could not run without Be! Be has been driving and working in the office for 40 years and after covering all runs in the morning and afternoon, Be is known as the person with all the answers while on the road. Be has driven all levels of schools and taken some of the most challenging routes throughout the years so others could have easier runs. She is the glue that has held three bus companies together in the same location and provided a perfect example of how to safely drive a bus without issues. We are thankful for her contribution to the many students she has transported every year and proud to have her as part of the ABC Transit family.

Kathy Richards



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 30 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Kathy is the type of driver you know can be counted on to set the example on the road. She lives by the safety code and is exceptionally detailed when driving her bus route. Kathy is not shy about making safety suggestions when she sees something of concern, knowing that the issue needs resolved. And she cares about her students as if they were her own children, spending the last 30 years devoted to their safety. Even when a surgery took her off her route for a short time, Kathy took the time to check in on "her" kids. Thank you to Kathy for her dedication to ABC Transit and congratulations on your award!

Linda Scheidemantle



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 45 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Linda has been a constant in the Seneca Valley School District for 48 years, providing accident free transport for her students every year. She has transported parents and their children, and in some cases their grandparents, forging relationships with them that lasts forever! Linda's yearly knowledge of her students, the area and her bus route has set the example for safety at Seneca Valley during her time driving. Linda continues to provide safety every day to her students and gives parents the comfort of knowing they will be taken to school and returned home safely every day. Linda, we thank you for your years of service and look forward to many more. Thank you for being part of the ABC Transit family!

Michelle J. Sharp



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 20 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Michelle joined Krapf's in February of 2001. Michelle spent the next 10 years as a route driver, 5 years for the Coatesville Area School District and 5 years for the West Chester Area School District. After her first decade as a bus driver Michelle moved to the position of Sub driver and has spent the last 10 years covering routes in every corner of every school district we service. In addition to her role as a sub driver Michelle became an instructor in our training department in 2011 and a PA state certified CDL examiner in 2018.

Michelle has participated in 20 county school bus competitions and has qualified for the Pennsylvania state school bus competition for the last 5 years. Most recently Michelle place 1st in the Krapf safety competition held at Glenmoore in May of this year.

Michelle enjoys going to the beach, travelling and spending time with her 3 grandchildren and her granddaughter. With all of Michelle's responsibility as a Sub driver, Trainer and Examiner it is quite the achievement to go 2 decades accident free! Congratulations Michelle!

Ralph Shoop



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 10 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Ralph has had 10 years of safe driving for Girardat LP and always a pleasure to work with. He decided to retire but continue as one of our very important substitute drivers. We are so happy to have Ralph as a part of our team even if it has been in a limited capacity as we have had to utilize him many times this school year. Ralph is the other half of Charlotte & Ralph and they work as an amazing team for Girardat LP.

Charlotte Shoop



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 10 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Charlotte is a team member any company would be happy to have. Her attention to the students and the detail to safety that she exhibits is exemplary. After driving for us for several years she chose to retire and be a part of our team of substitute drivers. This year we have had to utilize Charlotte many times and she always jumps in wherever there is a need.

Lisa T. Sickler



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Lisa Sickler has been married to her late husband John for seventeen years. She met her husband John while working for Krapf Coaches a division of Krapf. Late spring of 2021 Lisa's husband John lost his battle with lung cancer. Lisa took a leave of absence this spring of 2021 year and when she informed her student's one of her new students wrote her a very touching letter.

John and Lisa have no children. Lisa has two children from a previous marriage one girl named Nicole and a son named Andrew. She has zero grandchildren-YET! Lisa has a pet corgi Rosko, who is her faithful sidekick.

Lisa started with Krapf August of 1994. When she needed a job that worked around a schools schedule. She states that when she sees students/parents she used to transport to school. They come up to you and say how much they appreciate her driving the school bus. She has always taken the time to listen to their stories, problem's or concerns. The students talk with her and she listens and that makes her feel really appreciated. Lisa would rather be out driving a school bus in the wide open space, than be stuck in an office setting. Lisa also enjoys her summers off.

Manager Barbara Martz comments: Lisa has been a professional, safe, reliable and overall fantastic driver to work with. Always willing to give a fellow co-worker or the office staff a helping hand. Thank you Lisa for all of your 27 years of safe driving for us here at Krapf. Congratulations to Lisa on her award.

Colleen Slowey



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 25 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Colleen began her career driving school bus when her children were young and wanted to work. Driving a bus gave her the option to bring her kids to work and save on the expense of a babysitter. In addition to driving a school bus Collen has a successful cleaning business she is able to do in between her run.

Colleen has always driven for the Downingtown Area School District. She enjoys driving the same children year after year watching them grow up. One challenge Colleen does note is that she is not a fan of driving during the harsh winter months. Colleen has made good friends over the years working for Krapf's. Colleen would recommend driving a school to any young Mother or retiree who is looking for a job. The convenience and the hours are a perfect fit.

People would be surprised to know that Colleen loves to ride her Harley Davidson motorcycle. When not working Colleen enjoys traveling and spending time with her now grown children and grandchildren.

Delwood Smith



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 5 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton, PA, Crawford County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Girardat LP has been happy to have Delwood as a part of our team for 5 years always doing so with compassion. He transports exceptional learners as well as driving a daily rural route always putting our student's safety first. Delwood also serves on our local school board.

Glenda C. Smith



PSBA SAFE DRIVER AWARD



DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 30 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Glenda has been driving school bus for 31 years. Glenda has been married to her husband Ken for 35 years and is the mother of 4 boys. Matt-33, Kyle-29, Hunter-25 and Jake-21. Glenda started driving a big yellow school bus so she could be with her boys rather than put them in day care. Now that her children are grown up, she enjoys driving even more than before.

Glenda loves the freedom of driving. Most of all she loves the kids. She has driven bus routes 55, 165 and bus 18. Glenda has also driven for the West Chester University for many years. She really enjoys the little ones. They say the funniest things. When Glenda is not behind the big yellow school buses steering wheel—she is enjoying herself at her house on Willow Street in Lancaster County living, baking, gardening and playing with her granddaughter, Olivia and grandson Brody and all of her pets which she has 1 dogs, 3 cats. Glenda and her family have a house at the bay. Which she and her family enjoy summer days with family and friends also other holiday's.

Manager: Barbara Martz comments: Glenda has been a caring, safe, professional and overall FANTASTIC driver to work with over her career here with Krapf. Glenda is very friendly, always smiling and willing to help her fellow co-workers and office staff out. Thank you Glenda for being such a dedicated and professional school bus driver for Krapf for all of your 31 years. You make all of us here at Krapf VERY PROUD. Congratulations to Glenda on this award.

Jenny M. Taylor



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DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 15 years!

Proud Employer: Krapf School Bus of West Chester, PA, Chester County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Jenny Taylor drives for our Kennett operation and has been driving for 27 years and for us since 2006. Jenny enjoys driving the special needs bus. Jenny and her aide work as a team so they have a smooth run. Jenny is a caregiver, enjoys sewing, and loves the outdoors.

From her manager Theresa Anderson - "Jenny is very dependable and excels in working with our exceptional learner/special needs students."

Donna J. Taylor



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Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Donna Taylor is one of eight kids she has three brothers and four sisters. She is the eldest girl of the family. Donna was married for twenty nine years, but lost her husband to cancer. She has three children and two grandchildren.

Donna enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren doing such things as outdoor picnics, flea market shopping and just plain shopping. She also likes helping her neighbors out especially the older neighbors with things like shopping and snow removal.

Donna started with Krapf after working in the health care industry. Donna states: When you feel like you are going to have a bad day it's amazing how students, parent's, co-workers can take the bad and turn it into words of encouragement-making it a good day. It's also a good day seeing your students each and every day and to the point of student's graduation. Makes you just feel good.

Manager Barbara Martz comments: Donna has been a very helpful, safe, professional driver here at Krapf. Always willing to help her fellow co-workers and office staff. Thank you Donna for being a safe, reliable and caring driver all of your 19 years here at Krapf. All of us here at Krapf are VERY PROUD of you.

Shirley Thomas



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DRIVER STATISTICS

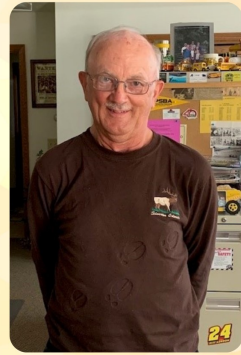
Accident free driving for 50 years!

Proud Employer: ABC Transit of Harmony,
PA, Butler County

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

What can we say about Shirley Thomas except that when all ABC Transit drivers are compared to someone, Shirley is the standard. Shirley has driven 50 years accident free, transporting three generations of children in the Fox Chapel Area SD. She has worked for four companies at the same location and showed up with a smile on her face to work everyday, setting the example for all to follow. Her dedication to her job and students may never be repeated in the company, or in the area. Shirley is who everyone looked to for advice and guidance, and she gave it freely to help those following in her footsteps. Shirley is retiring this year and will be sorely missed. Thank you Shirley for showing us what it means to be a true professional school bus driver! Enjoy your retirement!!!

Franklin (Frank) Wagner



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DRIVER STATISTICS

Accident free driving for 5 years!

Proud Employer: Girardat LP of Cochranton,
Crawford County, PA

Special Comments from Sponsoring Contractor:

Frank came to us after retiring from a successful career in the Tool & Die Industry. Frank's attention to detail is apparent in every aspect of the current job that he does for Girardat LP. The safety of the students is always premier as well as his attention to delivering our students on time. Anytime you encounter Frank, you will find him with kind words about each student he transports.

A Bus Driver's Prayer




Author Unknown

Please, Lord, watch me this day.

Please help me remember to watch all five mirrors, two dozen windows, eight gauges, six warning lights, six dozen faces, three lanes of traffic and to keep a third eye open for wobbling bicycles and daydreaming pedestrians, especially teen-agers wearing headsets who are in another world. Please Lord, help me hear all train whistles, truck and automobile horns, police sirens, and the two-way radio. Please also let me hear when one of my students calls for me, and just needs a listening ear. Please Lord, give me a hand for the gear lever, the steering wheel, the route book, the radio microphone, and the turn-signal lever, while being able to hand out Kleenexes, pencils, or other things the kids may need. And Lord, please grant me the self-control to keep my hands away from Johnny's neck when he's pinching and biting Billy, while trying to keep everybody in their seat, and reminding them that sticking their head outside the window is not safe. And one more thing, dear Lord, please don't let Mary be sick all over the bus.

And finally Lord, please watch over us all
so that we can do it again next year.


AMEN



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