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## A LOOK BACK AT 2019

### What's New?



Go Home Safe

#### NEW HIRES:

Garett O'Neill as Senior Project Manager, David Ayars as Estimator, Ryan Wolfinger as Shop Manager, and Justin Miner has a been appointed Safety Director. Elaine Mealy has been hired as a Controller,

Leon Gamble as a Superintendent, and Antonio Fidelibus as a laborer.

#### SAFETY:

Eye Protection is often overlooked in construction but is vital to keep your vision safe. The protection of your sight requires three extremes: extremely easy, extremely important, and too often, extremely forgotten. Once you have lost an eye or your ability to see, it's too late. Protecting your eyes is the easiest thing to do, if you care about your eyes.

Workplace eye injuries cost more than \$300 million a year in lost productivity, treatment, and compensation according to CBIA.

Always use safety glasses when using mechanical tools such as saws, impact drivers, drills, and sanders. Patriot wishes to send home all of their employees with everything they came to work with.

Patriot aims to rollout new safety policies which will be in effect in 2020.

#### Events, Holidays, Anniversaries:

- THANKSGIVING—OFF
- CHRISTMAS DAY—OFF
- PATRIOT HOLIDAY PARTY—1/18
- JIM PAPAGNO—9/1 (5 YRS)
- ADAM KUHN—10/2 (5 YRS)
- HENRY DRISCH—10/2 (5 YRS)
- DAVE DRISCH—10/3 (5 YRS)
- ALBERT CAMPBELL—12/22 (5 YRS)
- LARRY CAMPANELLA—10/21 (4 YRS)
- JUSTIN MINER—9/6 (3 YRS)
- JOEL ZAYAS—10/10 (3 YRS)
- ANDY RIVERA—9/13 (2 YRS)
- TOM SCHULTZ—9/18 (2 YRS)
- JESSICA WALKER—11/13 (2 YRS)

### Annual Holiday Party

This past weekend, Patriot Construction took over Springfield Country Club to celebrate their annual holiday party.

Employees and their partners gathered for a fun night filled with music, food, and gambling thanks to our friends at Tumbling Dice.

Cash prizes were awarded to the top three players of the night. Also, holiday gifts were distributed to all employees and guests – happy holidays!

Greg Kunkle honored 5 employees for their 5 year milestone anniversary with Patriot.

Congratulations to Jim Papagno for 5 years of dedicated service!

Another congratulations to Dave Drisch for celebrating his 5 year anniversary!

Thank you Henry Drisch for your 5 years of service.

Also, we would like to recognize Adam Campbell for his 5 years of hard work at Patriot.

Last but not least, congratulations Adam Kuhn on your 5 year anniversary!

Thank you all for another successful holiday party in the books, have a happy and healthy New Year!





## 2019 Patriot Fishing Trip

On Saturday July 13, 2019 Patriot left shore for its first annual fishing trip out of Cape May, NJ. Weather ended up being beautiful with a fun filled day on the water.

Superintendent Adam Kuhn was the big winner of the day with the first fish caught and also with the largest seabass of the day.

Adam took home a trophy and cash prize for his winnings but ultimately won bragging rights for next 365 days. Who will take the trophy this year?

Patriot will be doing this again in Summer 2020 and we hope to have more members to join this experience!



Patriot is in works for another company event come Spring 2020. Details to follow.



## Congratulations Corner!

Patriot would like to congratulate our GSA Department of Jim Papagno and Justin Miner for securing Patriot's largest to date contract with a total value just of \$7 million. Great job GSA team!

Another congratulations to our Assistant Project Manager, Justin Miner, on his recent engagement to his fiancé Amanda Allison!

Patriot would like to acknowledge and congratulate their CEO for his recent marriage to our Office Manager Colleen Murphy. They had a sunset ceremony in the Florida Keys surrounded by their children.



If you have a recent accomplishment that you would like featured, let us know!

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Thank you!

## Upcoming 2020 Construction Trends

As the first month of the new year comes to an end, experts have begun to predict upcoming construction trends.

Construction World says that although virtual reality has been an emerging trend over the past few years, it's quickly growing outdated – especially when compared to augmented reality uses and benefits. Many people believe that instead of using safety goggles, it is possible to start planning and plotting sites using AR before even breaking ground.

BIM is again one of the hottest construction technology trends. It will make construction projects more productive and affordable by including revolutionary sustainability and safety measures.

There's also been a growing trend towards multi-trade prefabrication, modularization, and eco-friendliness.

Lastly, many of the industry's experts believe we'll start seeing self-healing concrete being used on roads, buildings, and homes. Since concrete is the most widely produced and consumed material in the construction industry (being used to create buildings, roads, and bridges) many believe that by 2030 we'll be using about 5 billion metric tons per year.