

What's New at Troy Valve?

There's always something new at Troy Valve. Here's the latest scoop!

With the global spread of COVID-19, a lot has changed since our last newsletters. We have been able to remain open during the pandemic because the products we manufacture are essential to maintain a healthy water and wastewater treatment system. We also manufacture products used in oil and gas extraction and the ocean transport industries, both of which are essential as well. We are open. We are healthy. And we stand ready to help our customers complete their missions.

Finishing Touches

Beginning in June, the final leg of our renovation to the exterior of our building will resume after weather and shutdowns halted progress. While there is no date set for the work to be completed, our hope is that we will have a finished product ready to show the world in August or September.

Suspended Travel

An unfortunate effect the pandemic has had on us has been the need for us to suspend all work-related travel. Our team had an important international meeting canceled, and we have also had to cancel all domestic in-person sales calls. Our hope is to get back to "business as usual" soon, but those decisions will have to wait and rely upon the input of officials both at home and abroad.

We are continuing to monitor the status of our most important trade show, WEFTEC. As many of you know, WEFTEC 2020 will be held in New Orleans this October 3-7. There was an announcement made recently that the show will go on. However, it may not be as familiar to us as it has been. The announcement said that the show will go on "whether in hybrid form with both in-person activities and virtual components or as a fully virtual event." We are very hopeful that we will get to see each and every one of you, in person, in The Big Easy.

Product Spotlight



Wall Thimbles (4" & 6")

Designed to be cast into concrete and often used in conjunction with our wall type hydrostatic pressure relief valves, our cast iron wall thimbles have one flanged end with a tapped 125 lb. ANSI bolt pattern on one end and a bell end on the opposite that is easily extendable with C-900 pipe. They're perfect for use with virtually any flanged product when connecting directly to a wall is not preferred. Our thimbles also include a removeable grate inside to keep large debris from passing through. This grate is available in epoxy-coated cast iron, bronze, or stainless steel.



▶ Employee Recognition Corner



Chris Ribovich

Troy Valve Assembly / Welder

How long have you worked at Penn-Troy?

1-1/2 years the first time, and almost a year this time.

What is your position and what are your common daily duties?

I build mud valves, slip tubes, rack and pinion assemblies, indicating and non-indicating floor stands, flap valves, and wall pressure relief valves. I also assist in welding when needed.

What do you like most about your job?

I love the weld shop. I went to school for that, so it is something I like to do. It's not like work if you enjoy it.

What are your hobbies?

Welding/fabrication, Jeeping, Motocross, snowmobiling, snowboarding, pretty much anything outdoors.

Do you have a vacation ritual or location?

We go to The Outer Banks in NC every summer.

What is your favorite movie?

The Dirt, story of Motley Crue

Any bucket list item(s) you care to share?

I'm not sure. Maybe to study and pass the CWI exam to become a weld inspector.

Do you have any hidden talents?

Not sure.

Family?

Not married. I have one child.

How do you unwind outside of work?

Hang out with my little girl or go see some friends.

▶ A Message from the President

Welcome once again to the *Troy Valve Times*. It's been a turbulent few months here due to the coronavirus pandemic. Fortunately, we have not seen the virus in our company, and we send our best wishes of health to all of you in our shared industry.

Witnessing over 100,000 Americans lose their lives in a span of three months, and almost 400,000 people globally, has been heartbreaking. Like a lot of people, I find myself wishing there were something I could do to fight this thing. I want to grab a sword and my loyal steed and fight off the dragon. But alas, it's not like that. I find it to be more like the story of the Wind and the Sun, where each wanted to prove they were stronger than the other by stripping a traveler of his cloak. While the Wind tried to forcefully blow the cloak off, ultimately, it was the Sun who succeeded by using his gentle warmth to convince the traveler to remove his cloak.

As with the Sun in the story, our situation calls for a different approach than how our human logic initially wants to respond. With the coronavirus pandemic, our part as citizens calls for kindness, patience, and responsibility toward others. Counterintuitive? Perhaps, but from what I have seen from acts of humanity from the people across our great county, we will ultimately be victorious.

Until next time, take care of yourself, and look out for those around you.

Sincerely,

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