

What's New at Troy Valve?

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

The past few months here have been both challenging and exciting. We will be having quite a few employees retiring in the coming weeks and months. This means we have been welcoming new employees to our family, and we are pleased with how well they have been picking up their new roles.

You may have noticed a pickup in our presence on various social media platforms. This is a direct result of one of our newest team members, Brent Mayek. Brent, who is featured in our employee spotlight in this issue, has been hard at work with new equipment and software. Keep an eye out for new pictures, posts, videos, and more.

We had a bit of fun a couple months ago when, suddenly, a small trickle of water started running through one of the oldest parts of our shop. This section of our building is well over 100 years old. We contacted the town water department, and, over the course of a couple of days, the trickle became a small stream that turned into a large problem. The source of the water was unknown, as none

of it was coming through our water meter. Town water maps showed no line in the area. Eventually, after more than a week had passed, we ended up renting a pipe locator and discovered the old line. The curb stop was covered with dirt long ago after someone determined it was no longer needed. It was a stressful time, but we found the source, and the leak stopped.

Finally, this is traditionally a time of the year when production slows because of the winter months, but this winter has taken a turn to the type of activity we would expect in the spring. We have been diligently working to keep material in stock so we can deliver for our customers in a timely fashion. We believe that, as the world struggles with supply chain issues, our being able to continue to operate at or very close to normal will be an advantage our customers will appreciate. Give us a call. You might be pleasantly surprised at what we can do.

Product Spotlight



Telescoping Valves

Telescoping valves are designed for use in tanks, lagoons, ponds, water containment structures and water and wastewater plants. Ideal for siphoning clean water from the surface of one tank or body into another, telescoping valves will not disturb the sediment that sinks to the bottom. Telescoping valves are also used to regulate fluid levels, either by draining one tank into another or filling an adjacent tank with a higher water level. Troy Valve has been a leading manufacturer of high quality, reliable telescoping valves for decades. Contact a sales representative at Troy Valve for more information about our available options and configurations. We can help you decide what type of "T-Valve" is right for your application.



▶ Employee Recognition Corner



Brent Mayek Sales / Marketing

How long have you worked at Penn-Troy?

47 days

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

Sales and Marketing

What do you like most about your job?

The people I work with

What are your hobbies?

Guitar and Jiu-Jitsu

Do you have a vacation ritual or location?

Wisconsin Dells waterparks during the winter

What is your favorite movie?

IP Man I, II, III

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

Skydiving

Do you have any hidden talents?

I like to paint

Family?

I have a brother and a sister. I'm married (11 years) and have 3 kids ages 10, 7, and 2.

How do you unwind outside of work?

Reading or playing guitar

▶ A Message from the President

Welcome once again to the *Troy Valve Times*.

We recently had some excitement here at Troy Valve as a stray water line under our building broke, and we had water coming up through the floor in our plant. This sounds like a quick fix, as you would merely go to the curb stop and turn it off, but the issue was the town had no record of this line, and it did not go through our water meter. The best advice the town could offer us was to try “water witching,” which is the method of finding underground water by carrying a Y-shaped stick or wire and watching for it to pull downward when water is found. I wish I could say this worked for us, as I know many people swear by it, but alas, the stick merely laid flat as we walked it around the building hoping for a sign. Our problem was solved after about a week of having a water feature flowing through our shop, when we rented a pipe locator and successfully traced it to a broken valve in a curb stop that had been covered with dirt.

This event did nothing but highlight to me just how much our water infrastructure needs attention. I’m positive that our little town is not the only one with outdated maps and stray lines full of water waiting to burst. With an estimated 240,000 water main bursts in our country each year, and six billion gallons of treated water lost every day, I am encouraged to see our country investing in the infrastructure of our most precious resource.

Thank you for taking the time to learn what’s happening here in Troy, and, as always, thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

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