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Welcome to the end of another year and to the best newsletter of 1998. Hopefully it was a good year for many of you.

I hope many of you have fun at the block party this new year's eve, it is going to be a fun event. It goes by very quick. Look for the "T.E.A.M. CENTS" booth downtown, we'll be giving away plenty of sun screen for those of you working the parking lots.

For the past few years at the end of the year we compose a list of all the best and memorable events this past year. We have the "Most" and the "Best" categories, along with the "Miscellaneous" category. Read on and have fun with it, if you weren't mentioned for anything, that just means you were doing your job.

The next newsletter will be out on January 11, due to everyone being busy on New Year's Eve. The month of January also brings T.E.A.M. CENTS' fourth anniversary.

So read on and enjoy- in the words of our accountant, Adam "The Tool Man" Tolman- see you next year!!!!

Happy New Year!

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"MOST" CATEGORY

Our first category for this year is the "Most" category:

Most boring class/meeting: Anything conducted by Carlos Zavala

Most likely to fall asleep during a class by Carlos Z.: Bill Selby

Most consecutive hours worked: Gabe Rendon and Carlos Perez at the Balloon Classic.

Most likely to be called in for a drug test: Gabe Rendon and Carlos Perez

Most overtime: Gabe Rendon

Most time spent hanging around at 111: Rob Jones

Most likely to fall asleep at a Rob Zombie concert: Bill

Most friends brought in to work for T.E.A.M. : Tino Sanchez

Most likely to lose all his friends: Tino Sanchez

Most employees from a school: Al Collins

Most valuable player for DTC parking: Jeff Della Sala

Most used excuse: Scott Ferguson- "It's the computers, not me!"

Most payroll protests: Keith Liermann

Most likely to fall asleep while driving a golf cart: Bill

Most lame saying on December 31: Adam "The Tool Man" Tolman telling everyone "See you next year!"

Most likely to be distracted by tinsel: Rob Jones

Most fun to wake up: Milton Adams

Most fun to wake up with: _____

Most code 1's: Tracy Hinckley

Most likely to fall asleep while swimming: Bill

Most payroll discrepancies: Bret Rowley

Most likely to fall asleep during a code 2: Bill

Most polite employee: James Weathersbee

Most likely to never be seen apart: David Clinkenbeard and David Benbeneck.

Most likely to get beat up by women: George DeAlejandro

Most helpful employee: Albert Motley

"MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORY"

There are many things our employees do throughout the year to stand out or be noticed. The following is a list of "Miscellaneous" categories that we recognize our employees for. So congratulations to the following:

Happiest employee: Jason Ellis

Happiest manager: Taryn "this job sucks" Jewell

Member of management least heard about: Bret Rowley

Member of management no one wants to hear about: Adam "the toolman" Tolman

Employee (male) who plays with his tongue ring a lot: Bo Chavez

Employee (female) who plays with her tongue ring a lot: Julia Wolf

Employee who calls the office most often: Tie- Josh Larsen and Eddie Cano

Employee who gets along best with patrons: Jason Ellis

Employee who is Jared's newest friend: Sam Steinborn

Employee most likely to get his feelings hurt: Sam Steinborn

Grumpiest employee: Andy Jimenez

Employee who has the most trouble counting: Zak McFall

Toughest employee: Eddie Cano- He fought the train, and the train didn't win.

Youngest employee: Adam Gill

Lamest reason for quitting- "I wasn't allowed in the back office!"
Jon France

Biggest flirt in uniform: Strolley White

Biggest freak: Robbie Rodriguez

Overnight king: Waseem Muhieddin

Overnight queen: Carla Baker

"BEST OF 1998" CATEGORY

Now for the "Best" of the best. You are what makes this company The Best in the Industry:

Best crew: Mill Avenue Fall Festival crew

Best club/bar crew: Macayos Central crew.

Best dispatcher: Karen Foley

Best Jr. dispatcher: David Clinkenbeard

Best patrol services employee: patrol truck

Best Club Rio supervisor: Tim Roberts

Best employee from Kentucky: Nathan Farr

Best Excuse for no showing: "I had to go to my funeral".

Best new scheduler: Christine Philbern

Best Scheduler (AM shift): Taryn Jewell

Best road trip: Santana in Tucson

Best idea: Josh Larsen's "Fishnet condoms"

Best couple: Pete and Estella Morales

Best newsletter: *T.E.A.M. CENTS*

Best magazine: *Show West*

Best laid back event: *Artfest* of Scottsdale

Best name for an employee: Jeremiah Bo

Best code 2 of 1998: Sean Foreman and transients.

Best Larry, Darryl and Darryl impression: Jared, Bill and Zak

Best "I can't work excuse": Alex Francis (need we say more, I mean less).

Best Backstage person: Jerry Maddox

Best Event: Gay Pride Festival

Best Liar: Frank McClueless

Best backstage supervisor saying "Last song!": Richard Cavazos

Best new employee: Jon Housewright

Best dispatch response to a code 1: Karen Foley- "Tracy, if you call in another false code 1, I will show you what a code 1 is!"

Best dispatch misunderstanding" Karen Foley- employee: "Dispatch I have a code one"

Dispatch- "Not while you're on duty"

Best article for the newsletter by an employee: Rebecca Thomas' review of Tucson trip.

Best looking employee: Eddie Cano

Best ego: Eddie Cano

Best impression of Evil Kneivel's daughter: Sam Blie

Best concert at AWA: Juan Gabriel

Best article for the newsletter: (Sept. '98 issue)

WE ARE T.E.A.M.

By Rebecca Thomas

Tucson..... The ride down was with a "Hope and Prayer" that we would even get there! Van #3 had, (a) a bad tire, (b) faulty drive shaft, (c) bad alignment, or (d) all of the above. Despite the aforementioned problems.....we made it there!

The crowd was larger than expected, and the threatening rain that circled our camp never materialized. The night went well. No real problems, at least none that we couldn't handle. However, we never did find the 400 pound man that had passed out in the dirt field. Backstage security was ready for anything, then we were ready again, and again, and again (a result of the tour changing their plans). The T.E.A.M. hung in there and did a "SUPER JOB". Danny Zelisko, of Evening Star, made it a point to let us know how happy he was with our performance!

Back to Phoenix.....We all continued to "Hope and Pray" that we would get home without a vehicular breakdown. Triple T's back room was all ours! One at a time we ordered, and that's the way they delivered! "One at a time!!!!". Mike's "Silver Dollar Liver" was sent back and John Locke enjoyed a game of "Coffee Creamer Toss" while waiting (how's the lumps John?). Penny and I enjoyed our new jobs as waitresses (NO TIPS!), and our last order had to be "To Go" as dawn was fast approaching. Chris and I sang "Oldies but Goodies" for the rest of the trip (sadly, we knew them all). Van #3 finally made it back at 4:30 a.m. WOW!

Lastly, a very big "THANK YOU" to the Backstage Crew for a "Job well Done", and to all of us at T.E.A.M., we are showing that we are the "BEST".

BEST TOP TEN LIST OF 1998: (Oct. '98 issue)

"Top Ten Signs You're a Country Music Fan"...

10. You have a bumper sticker on your truck that says "I'd Rather be Cow Tipping!"

9. You think "modem" is something you do to the fields.

8. You like jumping through moving trains in downtown Phx. (Eddie & Rolando)

7. Every time you cancel for a shift it's because your girlfriend left you and she took your truck!

6. You only work events that have the word "Coors" in it.

5. You practice safe sex by marking an "X" on all the sheep that kick!

4. For Halloween you're dressing up as a Cowboy, and the only thing you have to buy is a can of chew!

3. You pick up hubcaps on the side of the road to make more belts!

2. The last time you saw 90210 you were standing on a scale!

.....and the Number One Sign That You Are a Country Music Fan is.....Everyone tells you "If you wash your truck, you'll get better gas mileage!!"

TARYN'S LAST WORDS OF 1998

(well, almost)

1998 Thoughts: I could be like Mick and write 25 pages for this newsletter, or like Chris and write a dumb story that doesn't make sense, or like Jared and write a story about FireBird raceway, or even like the Mormon accounting boys, and use the excuse "it's against our religion to write in company newsletters" (they tend to always forget, and boy, do they get a spanking from Mick!) BUT NO! I just want to say thank you to everyone for an "interesting" year at T.E.A.M.!! It's been a pretty good one, and everything good that we have accomplished, has been due to You! (Meaning everyone!) We do not say thank you often enough, or tell you how much we appreciate you. (Please note that this is directed at those of you who give us as much as you can, and are working New Years!!)

HERE'S TO WISHING EVERYONE A GREAT (now past) X-MAS, AND A SUPER NEW YEAR'S! Even though most of us are working, at least we will ring in the new year together! (I can think of nothing more meaningful)

THANKS TO ALL AGAIN, AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!!

MICK'S MEMO

By Mick Hirko

People always say the year is winding

down, as we get close to the end of it. As far back as I can remember, it seems that it just gets revved up at the end of the year, with our probable biggest night of the year. For those of you that are working New Year's the first time for us, it will be a night to remember. For those who are repeat offenders - Get Ready! And for those of you who came up with some lame excuse why you can't work - go to I know that there are some that have legitimate excuses for not working that night, but we will deal with those who just don't feel like it. Remember, you all signed a release, stating that you understood that you had to work on December 31st.

Anyway, my thanks go to those that will be carrying Shania Twain around all night, and those that are joining the rest of us on Mill Ave. for one of the largest New Year's Eve celebrations in the country. A good time will be had by all. I have seen some of the weirdest and funniest things of my life in Downtown Tempe on New Years Eve, not counting Bill Selby chasing the guy who stole his donuts last year. Jared - get your fire extinguishers ready. I heard a rumor that they were doing something with fire on the mountain.

We were only three months old as a company, when the block party hit us for the first time as T.E.A.M., and we did the whole event, inside and perimeter. Since then, nothing seems as such a great challenge, as that first year, with the exception of Bill trying to catch that guy, but anyway. Each year this monster gets bigger. Fortunately, we somehow always meet the challenge, even though sometimes I don't know how we do it. I really am not looking forward to next years, with it being the millennium, end of modern civilization, and hopefully Bill finally catching that guy. Come one Bill, we'll buy you some new donuts.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for a terrific 1998. We are all looking forward to a wonderful 1999, with hopefully less ups and downs. It was a weird year, but all in all, a good one. I want to especially thank our editor and man of many hats around the office - Chris Casias, who keeps this whole machine moving. Taryn Jewell, for always reminding me of what we can't do, and for keeping the Miller Brewery in business, Christine Philbern, for actually getting along with Taryn, and just hating everybody else, especially anybody who

gave her a lame excuse for anything (P.S. - you are running the Spring Festival), Jared Rafferty, who besides trying suddenly to compete with Kenny Chambers in the workman's Comp. Dept., has taken a lot of the weight off of my shoulders, Bill "I'm not asleep" Selby, for always being a good sport, for putting up with Jared, and for doing a hell of a job, being thrown into some nasty stuff, Robbie Rodriguez, aka Madison, dba Freak, just for being you, and for being hilarious after a bottle of Tequila with Chris. "Just answer the damn phone.", Zach McFall, who is got to be one of the hardest working guys around (don't burn yourself out, and chill out on whatever keeps you going) and to Adam and Brett, for keeping us financially afloat, and somehow covering every payroll. How much did we donate to the Mormon church? Last, but not least, I want to thank Karen Foley. Though our good and bad times, she always was the person who motivated me, one way or the other. If it weren't for her, I don't think any of us would be here now. Don't hold it against her. What I mean, is that T.E.A.M. wouldn't be around, if it hadn't been for her. She always found just the right thing to say when I was down, and sacrificed herself in countless ways, to make sure this company succeeded. Words will never repay the gratitude.

I also want to remember some of those good ones that have left us - Jay Yamasaki, Sean Foreman, Robbie Shuman, John Burger, Michael Guzman, Joyce Kucaba, Jeff Fischer and Cory Lines, to mention a few, and in no particular order. You guys are what makes this company! All the best to you all. You are missed.

To all of us - thanks for a wonderful 1998, and to an even better and more successful 1999! Keep the Peace!

Christmas at Bret's

CHRIS' FINAL THOUGHT

By Chris Casias

Good-bye 1998. With New Year's Eve coming up, we are all scrambling to get all details in order. Due to this, our next newsletter will not be out at the first of the year but on the 11th. It'll give everyone in the office a chance to relax. We can't relax too much, we have to get back to work and start worrying about next New Year's Eve. I think by August everyone in the office will have PMS (Pre-Millennium Syndrome).

It has been a good year for us, a lot of

changes, new faces and more changes. I think by now Eddie Cano has figured out which uniform to wear to each event. Josh Larsen has improved, but still has problems jumping out of our helicopter. Kenny Chambers has learned not to fall into barbed wire, but now Jared has problems with falling into knuckles. Bill "knuckles" Selby is learning to stay awake standing up and Taryn still doesn't believe us that 4 o'clock happens twice a day. Happy New Year's to everyone.

Our next scheduled advance training class is going to be on January 16th from 1p to 5p. The new year brings us many new events with "1999" in the title, so look forward to working these events. Also look forward to working the annual art festival in Rocky Point on April first and of course employees enjoy working our TFD shift, Monday thru Friday 1000-1700, this is checking fire hydrants an hour before each fire. So check with your schedulers to sign up for these shifts.

So long and Happy New Year.