

MPACT SPOTLIGHT:

RECOGNIZING HIGH IMPACT INDUSTRY LEADERS



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1. What do you like best about being in the ready mix industry?

It's never the same. It really isn't. Because even though like we have a lot of the same mixers and stuff like that, there's countless problems that could happen or parts that we might need. And it's kind of neat to not always be stagnant, that you have this ability to, you know, kind of dive more into something than just, oh, yeah, we'll we'll change this Mac valve or something like that. So sometimes it's kind of neat to see how it's never the same. And even though it could be the same truck and it comes back, it's probably not the same problem again.

2. How long have you been in the industry? How do you like it so far?

I have been doing this for six years now. I like it a lot. I mean, I like working for Chandler. Chandler is a family owned company, and that's very they're one of their bigger values is, you know, being family oriented. And so it's always been good to be able to go, hey, I need to leave because I have something.

3. What's the most memorable thing, memorable thing that you have done in the last year, either inside of work or outside of work?

Well, outside of work, I actually ran a 5K this year. My youngest did it with me, so I mean, he's only 11.

4. What is one tip you would share with a new hire in your field?

I think the one tip would be is be open, okay. Just necessarily because especially if you're not used to fleet maintenance and you're new to it, there's a lot of different things out there. Because I remember when I first came into this, I had the. Basic track knowledge, but I had no mixer knowledge whatsoever, so to be open would mean more along the lines of willing to listen to the mechanics who probably worked on the trucks for like eons and listen and just kind of be open to there to to helping. Because I mean that that has been a really beneficial thing for me because I've had Alan and Tom, who have worked on mixers for years and years and years, and they have just, you know, helped me out. And a lot of it is like, hey, you know, point to it. And just, you know, they've been very open and I've been open to like their suggestions and help and stuff like that.

5. Do you have any hobbies?

Something that I've done a long time. My grandmother taught me how to, and my mom taught me how to embroider. We did a big generation one about four years ago that passed around from like me and my sisters and my sister in law and, um, my cousins and stuff, and all of us did a little portion of the quilt and stuff. So. So doing the embroidery work and stuff like that.

