

# MISSISSIPPI LIME

## *Community News*



### MLC HELPS RESTORE HISTORIC LOUIS BOLDUC HOUSE

MLC and French Colonial America (FCA) recently announced a partnership to whitewash the historic Louis Bolduc House. Built in the 1790s, the Louis Bolduc House is a prime example of colonial French architecture and is a National Historic Landmark in Ste. Genevieve.

Following FCA's extensive restoration of the wall chinking, FCA contacted MLC in July to initiate a partnership for the second phase: creating and applying a period correct whitewash. This involved using the expertise of Mark "Doc" DeGeneva and Randy Griffard of MLC, to research the historic recipe, which was made with MLC-harvested lime from Ste. Genevieve. The application of whitewash is a vital preservation process as the lime in the mix discourages insects and vermin.

In addition to developing the recipe, MLC supplied the materials to make the whitewash, and provided a team of over a dozen employees led by Site Reliability Process Leader, Tom French, who worked with FCA staff to put four coats of whitewash on the outer walls of the historic structure.

"It was nice to be able to combine a Mississippi Lime team building exercise that benefited both my team and the Ste. Genevieve community," said French.

This is not the first time MLC has helped out with the Bolduc House. In the 1940s and 50s, the Mathews family—including Harry B. Mathews, Jr., founder of Mississippi Lime—were involved in the acquisition and initial restoration of the house.

"We are extremely grateful to the leadership and employees of Mississippi Lime for their help with this project," said FCA President, Tandy Thompson. "Not only would it not have been possible without their generous assistance, but it represents a rekindling of a long-standing relationship of the company with the preservation of the historic Bolduc House."

For more information on FCA and the museum campus, visit [FrenchColonialLife.org](http://FrenchColonialLife.org).

## MLC PARTICIPATES IN PEDAL THE CAUSE

Pedal the Cause is an annual cycling event close to the hearts of many MLC employees. It's mission is to provide funding for cancer research at Siteman Cancer Center and Siteman Kids at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Pedal the Cause took place in September. Employees participated by riding, donating and volunteering.

One MLC volunteer, Amy Knop, took the opportunity to participate and help out for a cause that she strongly believes in.

Amy, a laboratory chemist, said, "Raising money for research is important to me. I know how much work it takes to research and develop new drugs and bring them to market. This is my way of contributing to that."



*Pictured from left to right, front row - Emily Kraenzle (MLC), Shelly Cattoor (HBM), Marci Frazier (MLC), Amy Knop (MLC), Christine Zerr, Dale Basler (MLC), Tammy Trtan (MLC). Back row - Alex Cattoor, Debra Kraenzle (MLC), Jeff and Vivian Corrie (MLC), Steven Reynolds (MLC), Phillip & Amanda (non-MLC employees), John Conard (MLC) and Amanda Zapolski (MLC).*

## 2019 HARRY B. MATHEWS, JR. SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The Harry B. Mathews Scholarship Program supports college-ready children of HBM's portfolio company employees. This program has been a tradition for more than 20 years. This year's scholarship awardees were honored at a luncheon attended by the student's parents and representatives from each business leadership team. This year's recipients have parents employed at Mississippi Lime and Schafer Industries.

The program invites children of portfolio company employees to apply for an HBM-sponsored scholarship. The students' anonymous credentials are evaluated by an employee committee, which chooses the scholarship awardees based on their GPA, standardized test scores and submitted essays. HBM's program has two scholarship categories: four-year scholarships of \$5,000 per year, and two-year scholarships of \$2,500 per year.



*Pictured from left to right, front row - Luke Biehn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curt Biehn (Mr. Biehn works at MLC in Sunset Hills); Hannah Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Wood (Mr. Wood works at MLC in Ste. Genevieve); Braden McMahill, son of John McMahill (Mr. McMahill works at MLC in Ste. Genevieve); Drew Kraenzle, son of John & Deb Kraenzle (both work at MLC in Ste. Genevieve); Sarah Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Moore (Mr. Moore works at MLC in Ste. Genevieve) and Grace Allman, daughter of Steven Allman (Mr. Allman works at Schafer Industries).*

All six of this year's recipients received the \$5,000 per year award.

As always, the applications were impressive, and this year's recipients were no exception. This group will major in engineering, architecture, accounting, speech pathology, chemistry and elementary education, and will attend a variety of universities in Missouri and Indiana.

This scholarship program reflects our commitment to investing in our employees and their families. We are proud of all the students who have been awarded scholarships over the years, and are excited to hear more about this year's scholarship recipient's successes over the next four years.

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL SPOTLIGHT: BRAD ARNOLD



Brad Arnold, Executive Director, Ste. Genevieve County Community Center

A Ste. Genevieve native, Brad Arnold has had a lifelong connection to both the community and Mississippi Lime. These connections continue through his work at the Community Center and his participation in MLC's Community Advisory Panel (CAP).

Brad's connection with the Community Center started right out of school. "After I finished college, I completed a summer internship and was hired full-time after that. I've worked about

every position here other than being a lifeguard."

The Center is a space designed for social, recreational, and cultural use. "We also offer conference rooms and meeting rooms. The public library is in our facility, and the fitness center. Our goal is to create a healthier community."

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Brad's connection with Mississippi Lime is a family matter. "My dad worked there for a little over 42 years, so Mississippi Lime has always played an important role in my family.

I've seen classmates, friends, and family work for the company. I see what those jobs bring to our community. They are a great asset. And I love the role they take in our community events."

He also believes in the importance of the CAP. "When you can bring the leaders of our community in a room, that's how great ideas come about. I just feel it's really important for our community to be able to meet like this on a regular basis and have these discussions."

Brad and his wife Courtney have three children - six-year-old Layla, four-year-old Willa and almost two-year-old Lawson.

What does Brad do in his spare time? "I have three small children so I don't really know what spare time is like anymore," he said. But he manages to find the time to work with his dad on a family farm, and he tries to fit in a game of golf when he can.

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL MEMBERS *Ste. Genevieve, Missouri*

**Brad Arnold**, Executive Director  
Ste. Genevieve County Community Center

**Vern Bauman**, President  
Vern Bauman Contracting Company

**Eric Bennett**, Police Chief  
Ste. Genevieve Police Department

**Rita Brumfield**, Chief Nurse Officer  
Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital

**Sandra Cabot**, Director  
Ste. Genevieve Tourism & Economic Development

**Dr. Julie Flieg**, Superintendent  
Ste. Genevieve R-II School District

**Gene Grein**, Owner (Retired)  
Gene's Auto Service

**Fr. Edward Nemeth**, Head of Schools  
Ste. Genevieve Catholic Parish,  
Valle Schools

**Hank Johnson**, Owner  
Chaumette, Inc.

**Tom Keim**, CEO  
Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital

**Dena Kreidler**, Executive Director  
Ste. Genevieve Chamber of Commerce

**Garry Nelson**, Presiding Commissioner  
Ste. Genevieve County

**Van Robinson**, CEO  
Citizens Electric Corporation

**Kendall Shrum**, Administrator  
Ste. Genevieve County Ambulance District

**Gary Stolzer**, Sheriff  
Ste. Genevieve County Sheriff's  
Department

**Martin Toma**, City Administrator  
City of Ste. Genevieve

**Robert Wolk**, Consultant/Trainer  
Wolk's Insurance Agency, Inc.

## MLC ACQUIRES SOUTHERN LIME IN CALERA, AL

On August 1, 2019, Mississippi Lime Company acquired the Calera, Alabama lime business of Covia, operating historically as Southern Lime. The Calera business supplied high-calcium quicklime and hydrated lime products to customers for over 60 years. "We are thrilled to welcome the Calera operation," said William H. Ayers, President & CEO of Mississippi Lime. "This acquisition advances our mission to provide world-class lime products." The Calera operation will increase MLC's production facilities to nine locations, supported by a network of distribution sites throughout the country.

## BUILDING HOMES, STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES



MLC employees pictured from left to right - Steve Schrage, Rob Thompson, Brandon Rector, Elizabeth Wilkerson, Amber Nipper, Kimberly Bauman and Dale Basler.

Eight volunteers from Mississippi Lime Company recently spent a day working with Habitat for Humanity, building a home for a needy family in South St. Louis. Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization that helps families build and improve homes, and strengthens communities by increasing affordable housing. MLC was involved in five different build days this year, at a site where four homes are being constructed.

"The VMV committee's goal is to look for ways to reinforce MLC's values, both internally and externally, and adding Habitat for Humanity seemed like a great fit to the program," said Patrick Hardin, Business Manager of standard calcium products in our Sunset Hills office.

During each build day, Habitat for Humanity provides the tools and directs the work to be done. MLC provides hard hats, glasses, t-shirts and lunch for the volunteers.

"Because the build days are often a very rewarding experience for volunteers, more than 40 people pitched in, and now other employees in Ste. Genevieve are asking how to get involved," Hardin said. "Our participation benefits both Habitat for Humanity and the family getting a new home. I also think it really benefits our volunteers because they have the satisfaction of helping out others, and the knowledge that they are giving back to the community. It's been gratifying for all of us."

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Visit our career page online at [mississippilime.com/careers](http://mississippilime.com/careers) for details on job openings right here in Ste. Genevieve.



## MINE RESCUE TEAM PLACES FIRST



Pictured from left to right - Allen Schilli, Mike Wolf, Jesse Gegg, Jared Boland, Charlie Gegg, Zach Duncan, Kyle Clark, John Miller and Pat Nichols.

MLC's mine rescue team attended the 37th annual Missouri Regional Mine Rescue Contest, which took place in Rolla, Missouri from Sept. 30 to Oct. 3. Held at Missouri S&T Experimental Mine, the competition tested teams on handling mine emergencies. Participants tackled a 75-minute scenario on respirators, CPR, and written exams that test technical experience on breathing gear and other instruments. MLC's mine rescue team placed first out of twenty teams this year.

"We've participated in this competition for 22 years, and this year is the first time we placed this high in all categories," said Charlie Gegg, a team trainer. "We have been practicing monthly for competitions, and each person puts in time to study outside of work. We are very proud of our mine rescue team members."

Allen Schilli, who was selected to take the team trainer test, was inducted into the Missouri Mining Hall of Fame.

**Placed 1st:** Overall

**Placed 2nd:** Team Trainer, First Aid, Technical, and Field

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