



a monthly insight into PPLLC

### **EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHT**



**Reggie Robicheaux** Utility Manager, USDA

It is our hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday season celebrating with family friends. We are off to a fresh start, a new year, and as promised another employee highlight!

For the month of January, our featured employee is **Reggie Robicheaux**. Reggie is the Utilities Manager at the USDA SRRC, PPLLC's facilities maintenance contract here in New Orleans. Reggie's position was placed under the contract awarded to over PPLLC (2) years ago, but his tenure at the USDA SRRC spans *32 years*! Prior to working at the facility Reggie worked in the trade industry as a licensed electrician.

Reggie is married to his wife Jeanne of 32 years. They have three daughters, Jessica (34), Dara (32), and Aubree (29). Reggie also has (4) four grandchildren, Annabelle (8), Luke (3), Sophia (3), and Logan (6 weeks).

Being a native New Orleanian, Reggie is a huge fan of the New Orleans Saints and LSU Tigers.

So enough of the small talk... Let's find out what Reggie is really all about.

We spiced it up again, so continue to read Reggie's answers to the following questions;

In another life, I'm pretty sure I was a musician.

If I won the lottery tomorrow, I'd start a Charter Boat Company. And, you know, keep working here.

If I could invent a holiday, it would definitely involve, *Food*.

Cats or dogs? If so, how many and what is/are your pets name(s)? <u>Both, Dogs: Jake and Maggie, and Cats: Shae, Coco, Marcus, and Nola.</u>

What is the most inspiring part of your job? Seeing a happy customer.

When I was 5, I was pretty sure I'd be a *Fireman* when I grew up.

Reggie, it is our pleasure to have you on our team. Your loyalty and dedication to your family and to your job is second to none. Thank you for sharing and letting us in your world for a moment.



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## HUMAN RESOURCES

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12/03/18 Dennis Johnson, PM/QC





1/7 David Morris
1/8 Reggie Robichaux
1/10 Joshua Cuevas-Clinton
1/16 Mary LeBlanc
1/19 Julius Blanks

Darryl Lee

1/22 Bobbye Bridges
1/26 John Sutton
1/27 Nathan Watts
1/28 Reza Ahwazi
1/29 Theodore Amelse

Carly Colomb



Thank you all for your service and dedication. PPLLC appreciates you!

### <u>1 Year</u>

1/2 Abby Cruz 1/9 Dearl Thompson (2nd Tour)

### 3 Years

1/11 Eddie Wilson 1/11 Jamal Terry 1/25 Raven Melrose 1/28 Makeda Miller

4 Years 1/28 James Washington

7 Years 1/28 Brooke Woods









## 2018 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

On December 13, 2018 Pontchartrain Partners, LLC hosted their annual Christmas party at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse in downtown New Orleans. Thank you to all of our staff members, friends and family members who came out to celebrate with us. Everyone enjoyed a spread of great food, music, dancing and just plain fun. It was a time for everyone to take their work hats off and just simply enjoy each others company.

To the members of PPLLC, Danny Blanks, Bart Cook and James Washington, thank you for hosting such a great event and making it all possible. Our team is looking forward to creating more successful memories and working relationships with our vendors as we look forward to a bigger and better 2019!



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# 2018 WHITE ELEPHANT/UGLY SWEATER OFFICE PARTY



This year's annual White Elephant/Ugly Sweater office Christmas party did not disappoint. Participation was at an all-time high and the laughs and jokes were ongoing. It was a great way to start off our Christmas festivities and the holiday season.





First Place James Washington, Second Place Malissa Gioia



After a day of fun it was unanimous that the winner of the Ugly Sweater contest was non other than 2 time champion, partner James Washington. Always bringing his own unique flavor and festive swag. In Second place was Malissa Gioia, Construction Accounts Payable Clerk.

Thank you to all who participated in the fun. Every year gets better and better. We look forward to seeing what 2019 will have to offer.

Additional photos of share drive in the

Top Photo: Corporate Receptionist/ Admin. Assistant Ms. Tanay Sanchell "2018 Office Party fold

Ms. Mary LeBlanc, Director of Human Resources

this event will be posted on the company's *"2018 Office Party folder"*.



## 2018 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY COCOA STYLE

The employees of Pontchartrain Partners, LLC's office in Cocoa, FL celebrated Christmas with a Roaring 20's theme. The party was held at Capone's Dinner and Show. At Capone's you are served a great meal while experiencing great comedy with audience interaction, and upbeat musical productions performed by talented performers.

Partners Danny Blanks and James Washington were in attendance. Staff members enjoyed dressing in roaring 20's attire; member, James Washington even participated in the well dressed event.

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and may you all have a happy and prosperous new year!





# NOLA HAPPENINGS

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

PPLLC offices will be closed *Monday, January 21, 2018* in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

To all field workers, please confirm with your direct Project Manager if you are unsure if your project will be open or closed for the holiday.

All offices will re-open for business Tuesday, January 22 @ 7:30 am.

#### HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAY!

MLK Day activities taking place in the city of New Orleans.

Saturday, January 13, 2019 MLK Day of Service

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If he were alive he would be turning 89 years old this year. Dr. King is recognized as one of the most significant Civil Rights Leaders in American history.

Monday, January 21, 2019 from 8 am to 1 pm, the City of New Orleans will be conducting their MLK Day of Service. If you would like to participate volunteers will be meeting @ GW Carver High School, located at 3059 Higgins Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70126.



For more information or to register go to; www.dcornish@cityyear.org Men often hate each other because they fear each other; they fear each other because they don't know each other; they don't know each other because they cannot communicate; they cannot communicate because they are separated. - Martin Luther King, Jr.

True peace is not merely the absence of tension: it's the presence of justice. MARTIN LUTHER KING

Nothing in all the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity.

- Martin Luther King Jr

# NOLA HAPPENINGS

## It's Carnival Time!



### 2019 12<sup>th</sup> Night Events:

Phunny Phorty Phellows Sunday, Jan. 6, 7 p.m., St. Charles Streetcar route

Society Des Champs Elysée Sunday, Jan. 6, 7:30 p.m., French Quarter

**Funky Uptown Krewe** Sunday, Jan. 6, 7:05 p.m., St. Charles Streetcar route

Joan of Arc Sunday, Jan. 6, 7 p.m., French Quarter

**Fools of Misrule** Saturday, Jan 12, 6 p.m., Covington





## **RECENTLY AWARDED PROJECTS**



**Contract No. 697DCK-19-C-00045 Sewer Line Repair** Award Date: December 19, 2018 Award Amount: \$25,925.70 Agency: FAA Set-Aside: 8(a) POP: 12/19/18, 14 days ANTP



**Contract No. N69450-19-D-5604 Base Operations Support Services** Award Date: 12/19/18 Effective Date: 1/7/19 Award Amount: \$3,553,771.48 over 5 years Agency: NAVFAC SE PWD Jacksonville Set-Aside: 8(a) Sole Source POP: Base + 4 option years

#### Task Order 0001

Contract No. N69450-19-F-1332 Award Date: 12/19/18 Effective Date: 1/7/19 Award Amount: \$387,123.89 Agency: NAVFAC SE PWD Jacksonville Set-Aside: 8(a) Sole Source POP: 1/7/19 – 1/6/20

For more information on these or other PPLLC projects contact;

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Good afternoon, All,

As the holidays approach, many of us are spending more time online hunting down the perfect seasonal gifts, catching up with family members, and making plans for all those holiday events.

Unfortunately, this is also a busy season for cyber criminals who take advantage of our increased time online to employ various social engineering techniques - manipulative tactics designed to obtain sensitive information or convince victims to perform actions that benefit the criminals. These social engineering strategies include "phishing" and, increasingly common, CEO impersonation fraud.

As these cyber-attacks become more sophisticated, we would like to remind everyone to be especially cautious with all data security during this busy season, both your own and that of our Company, and to do due diligence in verifying email senders/content before taking any action.

Some strategies include:

- Double checking senders' email addresses
- Securely verifying any employee requests for changes to banking/direct deposit information
- Following up unexpected email requests with a verification phone call (e.g., the CEO requesting \$2500 in gift cards being mailed to an unfamiliar location)

If any dubious content ever does come across your screen, contact the Office and/or your technical support team before taking further action.

Let's stay aware during this holiday season and throughout the year!