



# The Green Standard

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## Learn. Grow. Thrive. The Complete Package

### Retirement Celebrations

Carl Freeman, Safety Manager at **Park City, KS**, retired after working for Pratt and Love Box for 50 years! Please join us as we congratulate Carl on his career and wish him all the best in retirement.



James King or "The King" as he is affectionately known among his coworkers has retired. King, Corrugator Supervisor in **Statesville, NC**, joined Pratt in August of 2010. To celebrate

his retirement, the Statesville plant showered him with a party, box seats to a Carolina Panthers game and a new Washington Commanders jacket. King plans to spend time with his father and church family after retirement.

Congratulations to The King on his career!

### Co-Op Signing Day

Our converting facility in **Atlanta, GA** celebrated the successful end of Claire Steven's co-op with a "signing day" event. She made a great choice in Pratt Industries! We greatly appreciate all that Claire accomplished during her time with us, and we are excited for her to rejoin us after her graduation from Clemson University.



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## Kansas City, MO Family Day

In June, the **Kansas City** converting facility held their annual employee family day to celebrate the end of the fiscal year. What a great way to bring employees and their families together to celebrate another great year!



## Lithium-ion Battery Safety

According to the EPA, lithium-ion batteries are often found in products around the home, including: electronics, toys, wireless headphones, handheld power tools, appliances vaporizers, portable power supplies, and many rechargeable devices and other items. **Devices containing these batteries should not be disposed of in household garbage, work garbage, recycling bins and never in trash compactors.**

If the battery, or electronic device that contains them, is disposed of in the trash or a recycling bin, it may become damaged or crushed and create a fire hazard. According to an EPA report, more than 240 fires were caused by lithium-ion batteries at 64 waste management and recycling facilities across the nation between 2013 and 2020.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>EPA: <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/frequent-questions-lithium-ion-batteries>



Lithium-ion batteries should be discarded at battery redemption centers and **should NOT be placed in trash cans, recycling bins or trash compactors.**

**Find a disposal site near you:**

[Call2Recycle.org](https://www.call2recycle.org) (1-877-2-RECYCLE)

[Earth911](https://www.earth911.com) (Use Lithium-ion batteries in the search bar.)

## Outstanding Merchandising Award

Fibre Box Association Recognized our displays division with 3 Outstanding Merchandising Awards (OMA) this year.



# Cedar Hill Corrugating Milestone Celebration



In June, the **Cedar Hill, TX** Corrugator celebrated a few accomplishments from this last quarter with a steak luncheon for employees.

- A year of zero recordables.
- Zero adjustments inventory - March
- 408 record tons - April
- 4.724 MSF produced - February
- 286 MSF shipped - April

Thanks to all of our employees for their hard work and dedication. Keep up the great work!



## Staying Hydrated in the Heat

Summer is in full-swing, and it's a **HOT** one! Prevent dehydration and heat illness by following these healthy hydration tips.

### BEFORE WORK

- Drink water before you come to work.
- Hydrating before work makes it easier to stay hydrated throughout the day.

### DURING WORK

- Drink before feeling thirsty. If you feel thirsty, you are already behind in fluid replacement.
- Drink water steadily throughout the day. About 1 cup every 15-20 minutes.

### AFTER WORK

- Continue to drink fluids after work to replace what you have lost through sweat.



Avoid energy drinks and alcohol which can cause dehydration.



Drink 1 cup (8 oz) of water every 15-20 minutes, but no more than 48 oz per hour.

Drinking too much water or other fluids can cause a medical emergency.

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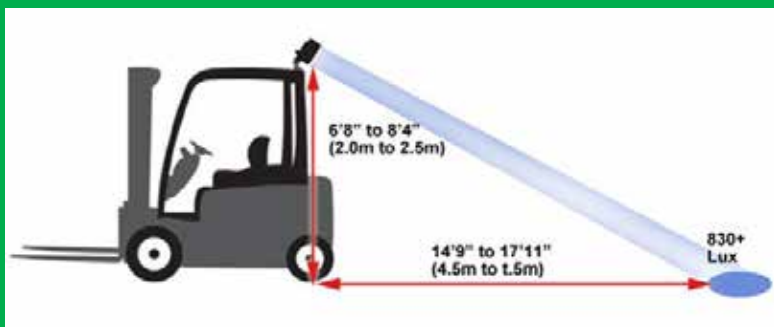
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## Spotlight on Safety

### Forklift Safety Light Standardization

The **Carlisle, PA** plant and the **Stockton, CA** plant have designed their lift parking locations so that every charging station stall has a template for where the lights should be set. In front of the lift markers, lines have been added to show the drivers where their front lights should be set once the driver has backed up fully into the stall.



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