

QUARTER THREE NEWSLETTER

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VETERAN APPRECIATION SPOTLIGHT

Jackie Todd joined the United States Army in June of 2000, only two weeks after graduating high school. Todd was motivated by his father and John Wayne to serve our country. Todd served as Military Police (Investigator) and Heavy Wheel Diesel Mechanic. Todd's most proud achievements are Iraq Campaign Medal with Arrowhead Device and Combat Action Badge. Todd says; "I chose these because after the attacks on 9/11, I went somewhere in the world and did something historic. One of the worst blows in US History and we didn't tuck tail and run. We knew we were being sent into harms way and there was a high chance we may be called upon to pay that ultimate price for our country. No matter how you feel about the war, if you didn't spend time with the Iraqi families and children or see the devastating environment Saddam forced his people to live in then it doesn't really matter if you agree with it or not. Those of us that went know we helped people who were oppressed and for a while gave them hope to build something for their people. Something that was theirs. I was there and lived it. These awards make it a recorded note in history." Todd expresses that his military service has developed his confidence in his abilities on a singular level as well as his ability to lead a team or squad. He learned that he has a passion for leadership and the ability to inspire and drive others. When we asked Todd why he likes working for GPF, he replied; "I really like the family feel here. The care with which the owners, admin, and line leadership treat the officers. I really haven't experienced that anywhere else."



WELCOME HOME GUARDIANS

As many of you know, after leaving our original GPF home we had been operating from a rented office space for longer than we planned. While this space served its purpose, it never truly felt like home. We wanted a place that would not only accommodate our growing team but also reflect our values, culture, and vision. The process of finding the perfect location was no small feat. We scoured the market, toured numerous properties, and consulted with experts in real estate to make an informed choice.

Finally, we found a space that had the potential to become our new home away from home. It had ample room for our team, natural light streaming through large windows, and an open layout that encouraged collaboration.

The day we signed the papers and officially acquired the space, there was an overwhelming sense of excitement and accomplishment. It marked the beginning of a new era for GPF—one filled with endless possibilities and opportunities for growth.

But turning an office space into a home requires more than just bricks and mortar. It's about infusing it with the heart and soul of the company.

From honoring Captain Jack with our 'Captain Jack's Training Room' to our traditional GPF 250 Club wall.

The laughter, the camaraderie, and the shared sense of purpose that fills the air every day has transformed the office into a warm and welcoming environment. It's a place where ideas flow freely, where innovation thrives, and where we can grow together as a company.

Perhaps the most remarkable thing about our new permanent office is the sense of pride and ownership that it instills in each team member. This space is not just a place to work; it's a place to belong. It's a testament to our commitment to the future of GPF, to the journey we've embarked upon, and to the dreams we're chasing.

In the end, our decision to buy a permanent office location has proven to be one of the best choices we've made as a company. It's a place that has already witnessed our successes, challenges, and triumphs. It's a place that feels like home, and in the world of business, that's a feeling worth celebrating. We can't wait to see what the future holds for us in our new home, and we're excited to continue our journey with our newfound sense of permanence and purpose.

Welcome home Guardians!



INSIDE GPF

QUARTER THREE BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

WIEST, RAY
ALBAIN, ROBERT A.
GONZALES, JASON M.
HAGOES, CHARLES P.
MELOY, BRIAN
WHITFIELD, NURU
ROCKLAND, CAREY R.
TODD, JACKIE
BYRD, REGINALD
HILL, BRYAN
TIBBS, ARTHUR
RATCLIFFE, STEVEN
HERNANDEZ-TAPIA, CHRISTOPHER
FORD, BILLY
MICHEL, JOSHUA B.
IRICHUK, EMILIAN
KING, JACQUELINE
RUSH, ASHTON L.
BEARD, JOHNNY L.
KISLINGBURY, DAWSON
MCDOWELL, MITCHELL
REYNOSO, BRYAN
THOMAS-ALEXANDER, BRANDON
BLACKMON, DARRESHA M.

HAPPY 13TH BIRTHDAY GPF!!

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES

BYRD, REGINALD
IRICHUK, EMILIAN
KING, JACQUELINE
TURNER, ED
WILSON, KASH
KISLINGBURY, DAWSON
ROCKLAND, CAREY R.
TIBBS, ARTHUR
UNG, SOHOL

THREE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES

DAVIS, COREY
WELLMAN, DAVID

FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES

WHEELER, JAMARI

