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## Local Company Continuously Training Employees

*“Training at Pumford is always based on improving and replicating great results. Whether it is safety, production, or quality. When we improve a process, we communicate that process in a training environment so that the whole team can improve.”*

- Matt Pumford, President

Our employees are constantly being trained, no matter what the position in the company. From cement finishers to superintendents to project managers,[our Company] is, and always has been, committed to the continuous education of our employees.

### **Gordon Burnside Obtains Certified Trainer Designation\***

Gordon Burnside, Gregory and Pumford Construction’s Corporate Safety Director, recently became a Certified Training Instructor for JLG Aerial Work Platforms and Telehandlers. Burnside attended a 3-day training seminar in Las Vegas, NV to obtain this certification. Participants in the course were evaluated based on performance in hands-on testing, written examinations, as well as oral presentations. He is now certified to train and issue licenses to Gregory and Pumford Construction skilled trade workers for rough terrain forklifts and aerial work platforms. Other certifications he has completed include OSHA 500, MIOSHA 10 Hour for Construction, and Apollo Root Cause Investigation Practitioner.

### **Concrete Seminar for Field Employees\***

On April 14<sup>th</sup>, eighteen superintendents, cement finishers, and project managers gathered for four hours to hear Michelle Wilson, Director of Concrete Knowledge at the Portland Cement Association (PCA) present “The Effect of Water on Concrete Properties”. President Matt Pumford met Wilson at the World of Concrete Expo in February and found her information so valuable, that she was asked to bring her presentation to Saginaw. Like our company, Wilson shares a passion for concrete. She has a background in engineering along with 15 years experience with relation to concrete materials, specifications, performance, troubleshooting and repair. Employees gained a sense of how small things can have a big impact on the quality of our final product.

