

CHANGING GEARS

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TOP RUNNERS

OWNER/OPERATORS

January: Igor

February: Rajinder

March: Igor

COMPANY DRIVERS

January: Chris

February: Troy

March: Chris

THANK YOU &

WELL DONE !!

FAST LANE FREIGHT SERVICES / LANE LOGISTICS

FAST LANE FREIGHT SERVICES, INC is our Canada/U.S. division whereas LANE LOGISTICS, INC is our Canada only division. We are currently in the process of potentially amalgamating our highway trucks/drivers so that moving forward all highway trucks and drivers would be FAST LANE FREIGHT SERVICES, INC and LANE LOGISTICS, INC would be reserved for our non-highway work (primarily end dumps) as well as pilot vehicle and hot shot services. Stay tuned.



“Put your freight on the Fast Lane”

WE ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK



DARREN'S CORNER

I would like to welcome and thank everyone for reading our first ever newsletter aptly named “Changing Gears”.

The thought behind this effort was to keep ALL of our employees up to date with current events, memos, company information as well as some fun stuff!

We will try and keep this upbeat and current so it may be something you will look forward to reading.

What a great industry we are involved with! We are all collectively helping to build this great nation we call Canada.

Did you know:

- **95%** of goods moved within Manitoba depend on trucks
- There are approximately **475** for-hire trucking companies based in MB
- Over **268,000** Canadians are truck drivers making it one of the top occupations in the country

I can't help but think of my forefathers who moved freight across Canada by canoes and York boats in all seasons! Did our Voyageurs know at that time that they were making history? Did they know they were making a difference? Without them where would our country be now? In another 50 or 100 years what will they be saying about our contributions? What will they be using to transport goods at that time? What I do know at this time is that I am proud to be a part of this industry and making our own history.

With winter now behind us and as we are “changing gears” into Spring I welcome it with open arms as It has been a long winter and one that I am quite happy to put behind us.



Darren Lane, President & CEO

Fast Lane Freight Services, Inc &
Lane Logistics, Inc

OUR WONDERFUL TEAM (in order of seniority)

CAROL B. (JULY/06) – Dispatch & Logistics Coordinator. Carol is the gem and the glue of the team. She is the gem because she is sparkly and valuable and she is the glue because she is the common thread that flows through all of the operations (drivers, customers, office staff and all those in between). No matter how upset, sick or sad she may be she only shows the friendly, upbeat and happy person to others – we never have to worry about how the company is ‘presented’ if Carol is the contact.

DOUG B. (NOV/07) – Equipment Management & Safety Officer. Doug is one of the most versatile employees one could hope for. He knows how to ‘fix almost anything’, he is resourceful and thorough and his skills are only outmatched by his tremendous heart – he may not always show it but he cares deeply about the safety of the drivers and does his very best on keeping the equipment well cared for.

IGOR P. (JAN/10) – Igor is an Owner/Operator for Fast Lane Freight Services. He is originally from Russia and is one of our top runners. He can always be counted on and is an absolute expert on how to utilize a log book.

WILLIE S. (MARCH/10) – Willie is an Owner/Operator for Lane Logistics and loves to travel to Quebec to visit family or to Cuba where he visits friends on a regular basis.

LAINY A. (AUG/12) – Accounts Manager. Lainey is the backbone and is a highly organized and efficient office manager. She takes care of all the files as well as the accounts while also managing to keep the phones answered and the offices neat and organized.

SCOTT Z. (APRIL/13) – Scott is our ‘go-to guy for the ‘I don’t know how we are going to load this but send Scott and he will figure it out’. He loves a challenge or at least excels with the unusual and challenging loads – he is invaluable to our team.

BENNY D. (MAY/13) – Benny is our brick, not because of his size but because he is solid – a solid guy who is trustworthy, reliable and someone you would always want on your side – he is an exceptional employee.

In loving memory of **DEAN PORTH (AUG/15)** – an awesome driver and all around super nice guy – he is missed every single day.

RAJINDER D. (SEPT/16) – Raj is the gentlemen of the team. Very polite and easy going Raj is our newest Owner/Operator and we are happy to have him. Raj is a new father to the cutest little boy ever!

RANDY S. (SEPT/16) – Randy is our part-time driver. Randy is retired but stills loves to help out. His experience and great personality make him an invaluable part of our team and he gives us reason to appreciate every single day.

CHRIS S. (NOV/16) – Chris is still fairly new to the team and yet he is an incredibly hard worker, making it as the top runner twice this year already. Chris comes with lots of experience and his ‘I’ll get it done’ attitude is a remarkable and appreciated trait.

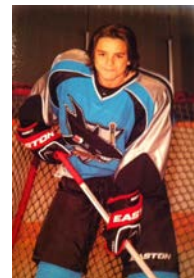
STEVE C. (FEB/17) - Our newest edition is Mr. Steve. Steve brings with him numerous years of experience and loves to travel west through the mountains where he also has family. Please help us make Steve feel welcome and give him a friendly hello when you see him – Welcome to our team Steve!

TO ALL THE STAFF AND DRIVERS PLEASE KNOW HOW MUCH YOU ARE APPRECIATED AND WE ARE THANKFUL YOU ARE PART OF OUR FAST LANE/LANE LOGISTICS FAMILY!

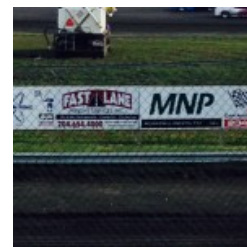
COMMUNITY SERVICE

We do more than trucking. Did you know we support various events/activities in the community?

Lane Logistics supported this local hockey team and Fast Lane Freight sponsored this young man for 2 years so he could play AAA hockey and pursue his dream.



Convoy participants for Special Olympics
2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015



Red River Coop Speedway
2015, 2016, 2017



Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation
CIBC  Run for the Cure⁺

2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

On the side: Did you know that Darren won the curling aggregate championship on behalf of Fast Lane Freight in the MTA (Manitoba Trucking Association) Curling League 3 years ago?



On the other 'lighter' side:



A trucker gets lost one day and as luck would have it he comes to a low bridge and gets stuck under it. The cars are backed up for miles behind him.

Eventually, a cop car pulls up. The cop gets out and walks around to the truck driver. He puts his hands on his hips and says to him "Got stuck huh, sir?"

Trucker replies, "No, I was delivering this bridge and ran out of fuel."

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HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR COLLEAGUES - Match the quote to the person most likely to say it:

I speak my mind because it hurts to bite my tongue all the time

The fact that there's a highway to hell and only a stairway to heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers

So when is this "old enough to know better" supposed to kick in?

So what do you tell a sado-masochist who keeps insisting "hit me, hit me"? NO

He had delusions of adequacy

I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure

I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it

He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends

he loves nature in spite of what it did to him

why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?

He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary

CAROL DOUG IGOR WILLIE LAINEY SCOTT BENNY RAJINDER RANDY CHRIS STEVE