# Alliance "Leading the Way"

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### We Achieved "IFO" in 2011

100,000 Man-Hours and zero recordable incidents, what an achievement. New company, new boats, new policies, new co-workers, what and achievement. While most mature companies struggle to maintain safe operations, we have overcome the many challenges (growing pains) a newly developed company faces and achieved what most consider to be unachievable, (IFO)Incident Free Operations. Congratulations to all who support vessel operations for a job well done. It takes a combined effort from everyone to achieve greatness and we have done just that.



Alliance IV on location at HI 138 "D"

### Safety Focus

Tommy Pierce While there have been significant achievements in the reduction of injuries and incidents in the offshore Industry over the last two or three decades, incidents are still occurring and our resolve towards "IFO" achievement is continually challenged. We have obviously stepped up to industries challenge and decided that incident free is our only option. A few years ago I was one of those individuals who thought there were too many variables.... too many opportunities for someone to get hurt. In fact, I am confident that my opinion of IFO was shared by the majority of my coworkers and industry at that time. As my career in industry progressed, things began to change and I began to see glimpses that incident free operations were achievable. The change of opinion was due to my interaction in incident investigations. To this day after reviewing the causes of incidents, both industry wide and with companies I have worked with, I have never determined the cause of an incident to be "accidents just happen sometimes". Some believe that accidents happen due to poor planning, job scopes changing, not following job steps, or even lack of training. I do contend that these are the sub causes of most accidents, but if we look deeper in the behaviors of individuals involved, it is evident that these accidents were caused by their inability to make effective decisions. The poor decisions made in these cases are likely due to a poorly established safety culture throughout their respective organizations. A culture that promotes safe operating techniques such as BBS programs, BJSA processes and most importantly 100% buy in from Management are instrumental to the success and commitment of all when it comes to safety.



Alliance Lift Boats would like to welcome Our new office assistant Mrs. Elizabeth Robichaux. Elizabeth brings many years of industry experience to our Alliance Team.

## Taking the Next Step Ordinary Seaman to Able Seaman Bill Frye

The next lateral progression from Ordinary Seaman. Depending on the amount of sea time an individual acquired and what kind of vessel you have served on, there are several Types of Able Seaman certificate available and each one come with its own sea time requirements.

**Able Seaman Unlimited** – sea service requirement is 1080 (8) hour days or 720 (12) hour days. The sea Service time you submit must have been acquired on Deck of vessel over 65 feet in length, operating on Oceans, near coastal waters or the Great Lakes. 46 CFR 12.05 -7(a) (1)

Able Seaman Limited – sea service requirements is 1080 (8) hour days or 720 (12) hour days. The sea service time you submit must have been acquired on deck of vessel over 65 feet in length, operating on oceans, near coastal waters or the Great Lakes. 46 CFR 12.05 – 7(a)(3)

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Able Seaman Special – sea service requirement is 360 (8) hour days or  $\underline{240}$  (12) hour days on deck, on any waters inshore or offshore, on a vessel over 65 feet in length. 46 CFR 12.05 – 7(a) (3)

Able Seaman Special (Offshore Supply Vessel) – Sea service requirements is 180 (8) hour days or 120 (12) hour days on any waters, inshore or offshore, on a vessel over 12 GRT (gross register Tonnage) 46 CFR 12.05 – 7(a) (4)

If you have any questions pertaining to document or license upgrade, please contact: Bill Frye

Making Safety Personal: Bringing Safety Home



Knife in Sink



Iron cord

Hazards are present at home too!! Injuries to our loved ones can be prevented by identifying the potential for incident, the cord of the iron should be out of reach of young children and knives should never be placed into soapy dish water. Iron and knives are among the many things that can pose risks. Check for dangers in your home and take precautions to avoid injury or accident.



Captain Dane Matherne (Alliance II) rigging up new Billy Pugh 871 Personnel Basket

### **Alliance Crew Quarters**

◆ Congrats to Captain Cecil Hebert (Alliance IV) and Ashley, they are expecting and will find out the gender 1/23/12.

### **License Upgrades**

- ◆ Troy Sprinkle (Alliance II) License Upgrade 200 Ton Mate to 200 Ton Master
- ◆ Josh Cook (Alliance III)
  License Upgrade Able Seaman to 200 Ton Mate