

A Family Business with Lofty Ambitions

For four generations the Anglemyer family has led a company that has grown from a small “mom and pop” crane repair business to the well-known and respected Anglemyer Crane Rental Company. Edwin Anglemyer took over his grandfather’s business over 54 years ago and as a young crane operator with a strong entrepreneurial spirit he transformed the company into what it is today. His son, John, now is taking on the responsibility of managing the business. Edwin and John know all about heavy lifting! When you see a tall construction crane around the Los Angeles area it’s a good bet that it is an Anglemyer. A few of the job types for which the company supplies cranes and operators are high rise construction, air conditioning, steel work and freight loading and unloading. Some of their interesting projects include the KTLA Radio tower at the corner of Bronson and Sunset, a 14,000 pound beam for the 911 memorial at the police training site, a ride at Soak City Knott’s Berry Farm, set up and tear down of the MTV Awards stage, the Jumbo Tron at the Rose Bowl and too many more to mention. The cabs of the 350 ton cranes are like the cockpit of an airliner, computerized and capable of providing support for stunts and special effects for the movie industry while able to maneuver through narrow alleys and all terrains.

John says that he is proud of the growth and success of Anglemyer Crane Rental but the lift-aches of keeping up with regulations and mounds of paperwork, for example the requirement to provide a written plan for every detail of every lift, along with endless safety issues which require him to constantly update his fleet and retire machines more often than ever before make the business much more complicated than in past years. This in addition to the typical

small business problems such as cash flow, overhead, etc. make it necessary to get away from it all when he finds the time to do so. He is very close to his family; he enjoys spending time with them, relaxing, fishing, water skiing and boating.

Still located in Azusa where his dad started in the rock quarry business, John’s advice to new entrepreneurs is “be patient, be active in your association and listen to the older guys. They are always there to help - like my dad.”

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