



Lake County Contractors Association Safety News

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Safety Training – For scheduled classes, check the enclosed 2002-03 Safety Training Reservation Form for more information or register on-site at www.lcca-il.org/events. The easiest way to get your employees trained is to let us schedule a class specifically for you. We will make sure the content is tailored to your employees and your industry.

Lisa Grosskopf at the LCCA Office will be handling all requests for safety training. If you need any assistance with safety training or any other safety problem, contact the LCCA Office.

REMEMBER: If you have ten or more (or will pay for 10 students) **we will bring the training to your office**, or a site of your choice, or hold your class at the LCCA Office.

First Aid, CPR, OSHA 10-Hour, Excavation Competent Person, Power Line, Confined Space, Respiratory Safety/Silica, Scaffold User or Competent Person, and much more are available for you. Since the LCCA Safety & Education Fund subsidizes the cost, the price is hard to beat.

Training dates are subject to our instructors' schedules, so if you want a particular date, call the LCCA Office as soon as possible.

Safety Award Applications Mailed – Applications for LCCA's 2002 Safety Awards will be mailed to Contractor Members this week. If you do not receive yours, just call the LCCA Office and we will get you a copy. Remember, you do not need to be "perfect" to apply. We do expect no fatalities during the year. Since your results are measured against **national averages**, you are not competing with other members, but rather your results are judged against all contractors across the country.

Completed applications are due into the LCCA Office no later than the end of January. Awards will be presented at the February Membership Meeting.

CCSC Safety Conference Planned – The Chicagoland Construction Safety Council has scheduled the 13th Annual Construction Safety Conference & Exposition for February 11-13, 2003 at the Donald Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois.

The theme this year will be "Building a Safer Nation" and will feature over 70 educational sessions along with the Expo that features everything in safety. The third day of the event will feature professional development with new topics and some high energy presenters.

If you are interested in **attending** or **exhibiting**, call 800-552-7744. For more information, visit the CCSC website at www.buildsafe.org.

Signs & Barricades Update

By Larry Matson

City of Waukegan, Safety Coordinator

The final rule for the Federal Highway Administration's Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) Millennium Edition takes effect December 11, 2002. According to OSHA, the new manual will reduce fatalities and injuries at roadway worksites. All States base their traffic control requirements on MUTCD. The MUTCD recently underwent a revision and the Millennium edition is the latest and greatest version.

The Rule requires compliance with either the 1993 or the Millennium Edition of Part VI of the MUTCD. This replaces the 1971 version.

To Download the Millennium edition of the MUTCD go to <http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/kno-millennium.htm>.

OSHA Looking For "Bad Actors" – OSHA has established a task force to find ways to identify the contractors who are, or could, contribute to the high fatality rate in the industry. In 2001, the construction industry had 13.3 fatalities per 100,000 workers. While far behind Mining (30.0) and Agriculture (22.8) in frequency, construction still leads the way in number of fatalities with 1,225 in 2001. The Services sector is next with 767 followed by Agriculture with 740 fatalities.

After identifying potential "Bad Actors," they will attempt to use industry reports, building permits and other sources to find where these contractors are working. According to OSHA, "Construction is very fluid. It is hard to locate the contractors that we believe need the most attention from OSHA."

Web Safety Information – Looking for toolbox talks, OSHA information, or anything else safety related? Here are some sites provided by the Chicagoland Construction Safety Council (CCSC).

<http://waste.hazard.org/> Environ-Safety, Occupational Health and Safety Issues in Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/injweb/websites.htm> CDC Injury-Related Website Resources

<http://www.cpsc.gov/> Consumer Product Safety Commission: official Federal Agency website, including recalls, reports, alerts

<http://www.injurycontrol.com/icrin/> ICRIN, a dynamic list of key Internet accessible resources related to the field of injury research and control.

<http://www.pp.okstate.edu/ehs/links/hazcom.htm> Hazard Communications Links, Oklahoma State University

<http://www.pp.okstate.edu/ehs/manuals/index.htm> OSU Safety Manuals

<http://www.worldsafety.com/> WorldSafety.com: Free global resource center for health, safety, environmental and fire protection professionals.

<http://www.osha.gov/> Occupational Safety & Health Administration

<http://www-iea.me.tut.fi/cgi-bin/oshweb.pl> IEA - The International Ergonomics Association

<http://www.ansi.org> American National Standards Institute

<http://www.asse.org/> American Society of Safety Engineers

<http://www.cdc.gov/> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/> NIOSH - The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

<http://www.cpsc.gov/> Consumer Product Safety Commission: official Federal Agency website, including recalls, reports, alerts

<http://www.health.state.ok.us/program/injury/index.html> Oklahoma State Department of Health, Injury Prevention Service

<http://www.nfpa.org/> National Fire Protection Association Home Page

<http://www.nsc.org/> The National Safety Council

<http://www.nts.gov/default.htm> National Transportation Safety Board

<http://www.fema.gov> Federal Emergency Management Agency

<http://www.safetylink.com/> comprehensive collection of electrical product safety and standards resources.

<http://www.hearingconservation.org/> National Hearing Conservation Assoc.

<http://www.utexas.edu/cons/safety/> Environmental Health & Safety, College of Natural Sciences, The University of Texas at Austin

<http://depts.washington.edu/cnstsafe/> Focus on Construction Safety and Health

<http://hazmat.dot.gov/> The Office of Hazardous Materials Safety of the United States Department of Transportation's Research and Special Programs Administration

<http://www.4-safety.com/> Construction Safety Links and Products

<http://www.buildsafe.org/> Construction Safety Council

<http://www.epa.gov/> Environmental Protection Agency

<http://www.msha.gov> Mine Health Safety Administration

<http://hazard.com/library/library.html> The Vermont SIRI File Library

<http://www.nccco.org/> National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators

<http://www.nuca.com/> The National Utility Contractors Association

<http://www.plantsafemaintenance.com/psm/> Safety links, articles, and products