

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, May 20, 2009, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., **Golden Corral (3251 32nd Ave S, GF)**
"Drug and Alcohol Awareness", Robin Turner, Global Safety Network



CONSTRUCTION ZONE SAFETY

Effective 10/1/08, fines for speeding in a construction zone have doubled.

Tips for Driving Through Construction Zones:

PLAN

Be aware of construction zones by checking the [road reports](#) before travelling. Consider alternative routes to avoid construction zones when possible.

DRIVE DEFENSIVELY

Expect the unexpected. Road surfaces change frequently in work zones. Anticipate detours and stops.



OBEY ALL SIGNS

Signs contain important information that warns motorists or provides them with essential information about the work ahead, traffic conditions, road/ramp closures and detours. Even if there seems to be no activity in a construction zone, there may be other less obvious hazards such as loose gravel chips and uneven pavement that can be dangerous and cause damage to vehicles traveling at high speeds. Motorists should obey all signs and slow down when going through construction zones, whether workers and equipment are present or not.

CONCENTRATE

Pay attention at all times. The maze of barriers, traffic cones, flaggers, flashing lights, and orange signs often causes confusion and dangerous driving responses. Don't be distracted by the radio or cell phones; don't eat or drink while driving. Watch for workers, new signs, traffic signals, pavement markings, or uneven pavement.

SLOW DOWN

Drive at the posted reduced speed limit. Keep a safe distance between you and the vehicle in front of you, and don't tailgate - sudden stops are common in construction zones.

Be patient. Remember work zones are necessary to improve roads and make them safer.

[Info found at http://www.dot.gov.nt.ca/_live/pages/wpPages/Construction_zone_safety.aspx]

Links

[Northern Construction Safety Association](#)

[Northwest Territories Flagperson's Handbook](#)

[Construction Zone Signage Quiz](#)



Sign Language

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BOARD MEETING

BOARD MEMBERS MEET THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH/6:00-8:00 PM. GRAND FORKS PARK DISTRICT, 1210 7TH AVENUE SOUTH
NEXT MEETING → June 4th

- **HELP US KEEP SAFETY A PRIORITY!** We have a **Board position that needs to be filled**. If interested, please contact Annette Shane at ashane@gfparks.org or 701-787-2816.
- **SAVE THE DATE!** Our "Safety & Security in the Workplace" mini-conference is now set for Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at the Clarion! Stefan Salmonson will be our Keynote Speaker..... *More info to come!!!*

BOARD MEMBERS

*Carol Gierszewski (President)
 Steve Harken (Vice President)
 Tim Bailly (Treasurer)
 Tracy Cameron (Secretary)
 Todd Brady ♦ Robert Hewitt
 Cedric Masa ♦ Eric Pearson
 Annette Shane ♦ Joe Strang*

COMMITTEES

Communication Committee

(Linda Wiley, Carol Gierszewski, Bonnie Knutson, Annette Shane)

- Trying to find an article that was in a previous issue of "The NOSHA NEWS"? Check out the **NOSHA News Archive** on our website! @ www.nosha.net !!!

Education Committee

(Bonnie Knutson, Pat Balstad)

(Upcoming GM Meeting Presentations)

- **June 17, 2009**
 - "Protect Your Skin", sun damage, skin cancer; prevention and protection, Amy Shimek, FNP, Truyu Aesthetic Center
- **July 15, 2009**
 - Networking/Round Table

Membership Committee

(Davis Hoverson)

★ **60+ MEMBERS STRONG..... and GROWING!**

The mission of the Northern Occupational Safety and Health Association (NOSHA) is to provide professional networking and training in safety, health and environmental practices.

THANK YOU TODD BRADY AND MARVIN WINDOWS FOR SUPPLYING DOOR PRIZES FOR OUR APRIL MEETING!

BE SAFE

LEARN SIGN LANGUAGE