



# **July 2012**

# **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**Our Annual NOSHA Membership Picnic!!** 

Wednesday, July 18th 2012 @ 6:00 pm, Riverside Park - Family Welcome!!

# **OSHA NFPA 70e WorkPlace Safety**

Written guidelines and standards have been set by OSHA & Arc Flash NFPA 70E: Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplace. The National Fire Protection Association developed the safety standard measures together with OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) to preserve the security and protection of the employees. The NFPA 70E has been connecting OSHA's requirement to protect against these arc flash hazards and threats with its actual conformity with that rule. That is why it is very important.

It provides and includes the complete array of electrical preventive matters including but not limited to equipment maintenance and need of special materials as well as workplace safety related work practices. To decrease and reduce the contact or exposure to all widely predictable electrical and fire hazards, NFPA 70E provides some details to assist the company to promote the safety of the employees as well as to minimize the death rate and harms caused by these risks.

Arc flash hazards analysis should be performed in order to reduce the result of the arc flash hazard and finally enhance the workplace safety. Adapt an appropriate arc flash analysis and review the software to increase the protection range against arc flash hazards especially that you are adhering to NEC, OSHA,

IEEE, and NFPA 70E requirement with the aim of ensuring a workplace safety.

To make certain the tools are de-energized or live components are secluded, you should make use of Lock-Out-Tag-Out training. In order to meet the requirements of OSHA and NFPA 70E, most companies use arc flash labels to keep the employees from hazards.



To address electrical hazards in the workplace, OSHA requested to develop the NFPA 70E. The comprehensive information in NFPA 70E has been the basis of OSHA's electrical safety requirement. OSHA regards NFPA 70E to be a capable how-to manual for OSHA regulation compliance, albeit OSHA does not consent conformity with NFPA 70E.

NFPA's Website promotes it in which it also offers a companion manual written by its developers.

NOSHA is pleased to announce that we are now officially recognized as a tax-exempt 501(c)(4) organization. For more information on 501(c)(4) organizations, visit http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/eotopici03.pdf



What: "Creating and Sustaining a Culture of Safety Excellence" Keynote speaker: Shawn Galloway of ProAct Safety When: October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 7:30 am to 12:30 pm Where: Ramada Inn. Grand Forks

Free Admission! Free breakfast will be served! Registration Opens September 1<sup>st</sup> @ www.nosha.net Seating is limited!

### **BOARD MEETING**

Board members meet the first Thursday of the month – 6:00-8:00 pm at the Valdak Corp. 1149 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. S (Valley Dairy)

August 2<sup>nd</sup> NEXT MEETING

#### 2012 BOARD MEMBERS

Eric Pearson (President) UND Campus Safety & Security Christin McWaters (Vice-President)

UND Energy Environmental Research Center

Joe Strang (Treasurer) Valley Dairy Car Wash

Cindy Holweger (Secretary) Development Homes

Davis Hoverson Workforce Safety & Insurance

> Dan Mankie Cirrus Aircraft

**Rachel Kmecik** Grafton Equipment Company

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## COMMITTEES

**Communication Committee** 

(Linda Wiley, Dan Mankie)

Visit us at <u>www.nosha.net</u> for the latest updates and announcements!

#### **Education Committee**

(Rick Else)

- Upcoming GM Meeting Presentations
- August 15<sup>th</sup> Terry Wynne, GF Fire Marshall, Fire Safety Education
- September 19<sup>th</sup> Tracy Cameron, Riverview Health and Shane Shereck, Marvin Windows, Workplace Ergonomics and Back Safety
- **October 17<sup>th</sup> –** Cheryl Hahn, Medical Case Manager for WSI will discuss medical case services offered by WSI and the importance of communication between provider, employer, and injured worker.

**Membership Committee** (Christin McWaters, Rachel Kmecik)

#### "60 MEMBERS STRONG and GROWING!"

**NOSHA** is a non-profit organization formed to provide area safety professionals a direct way of sharing safety concerns, goals, and ideas to promote workplace safety.