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NOSHA News

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, April 18th, 2012 @ 11:30 am to 1:00 pm Speedway Restaurant
 Key Information on OSHA 300 Log - Maurizio Delcaro, Safety Director, AGCND

Injury Incident Pyramid

Many of us know about the Incident Pyramid already, but some of the newer employees may not.

This pyramid is nothing more than a representation of the statistics about injuries. Year after year, industry after industry, injuries statistically fall into this pyramid.

Near Misses. Unsafe Acts are the bottom of the pyramid. There are thousands of these. These are things such as not wearing your seatbelt on a forklift. Not putting your machine in ESP while clearing a jam, not wearing cut resistant gloves while putting on a cutting die or changing slotter blades.

Next up are **Recordable Injuries**. These are injuries that require more than basic first aid. The injury may require a prescription anti-biotic, physical therapy, a few sutures and things that are above and beyond first aid treatment. For all the thousands of near misses and unsafe acts, sooner or later it will result in an injury that requires this type of treatment.

Next up are **Life Changing Injuries**. For every 600 recordable injuries statistically, year after year, industry after industry, there will be 30 life changing injuries. That is 5%. These are injuries such as amputations, major surgeries, broken bones and the like. These types of injuries will change your life and those who depend on you.

And finally at the top there is a **Fatal Injury**. For every 30 life changing injuries, there will be one fatal injury.

So what does this mean? We need to work on the unsafe acts and the near misses at the base of the pyramid. If you can reduce or eliminate those, then you can stop the cascade effect that comes with injuries to begin with. To eliminate the recordable and life changing injuries you need to reduce the near misses and unsafe acts.

The only way to stop it is to eliminate the unsafe acts and near misses. Reprinted with permission from safetytoolboxtalks.com

Evening Social a Small Success

About a dozen members came out to the Evening Social at the Eagles Crest on March 27th. Although the numbers were smaller than expected, the conversation, atmosphere and food were amazing. "We should do this more often" one member exclaimed, "This is a great way to sit down with other Safety people and get to know them".

The next non-lunch event will be this summer at the annual NOSHA Picnic. Thanks to all who attended and we look forward to seeing you again soon.



Can you spot the hazards??

BOARD MEETING

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

NEXT MEETING: May 3rd

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

Dan Mankie

Cirrus Aircraft

Rachel Kmecik

Grafton Equipment Company

Rick Else

Workforce Safety & Insurance

Davis Hoverson

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COMMITTEES

Communication Committee

Linda Wiley, Dan Mankie

Visit us at www.nosha.net for the latest updates and announcements!

Education Committee

Rick Else

Upcoming GM Meeting Presentations

- May 16th – "Team Building Exercise" key for a successful safety program – Sally and Dave Opp, Opp Construction.
- June 20th -- Sgt. Travis Jacobson, Drug Recognition, GF Police Dept.
- July 18th -- NOSHA Picnic

Membership Committee

Christin McWaters, Rachel Kmecik

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.