

Safety Connections

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Director's Corner

by **Dave Koenke**
OSC Executive Director

Our 2011 Safety and Health Conference held June 6-8 was a hit with attendees! Vendors were pleased with the large crowd as well. The "Lights, Camera, Safety!" theme made for a fun "movie" environment as breakout session and keynote speakers educated on serious, safety related subjects. The awards banquet culminated the event with former Lt Governor Jari Askins speaking and assisting with the awards. Labor Commissioner Mark Costello also spoke and OSHA Area Director David Bates supported the event. The OSC and the Oklahoma Department of Labor both awarded several companies and individuals across our state for their dedication to employee safety. Pictures and more information are found in this newsletter. My personal thanks to each award recipient for making safety a priority. A special thanks to the many sponsors who helped make the event possible and to the conference committee and volunteers who gave of their time to organize and run the event.

Note the article a few pages inside about TEREX company. Located just on the western edge of OKC along I-40 this company manufactures large road building equipment and is one of the largest sites within their company. TEREX of OKC recently received a Chairman's award for their 1.2 million man-hour mark for no lost time incidents, a feat not easily attained as exposures at the heavy duty manufacturing plant are many. Hats off to TEREX of OKC for this award and also for the "most improved" award they received at the OSC annual safety conference.

Distracted driving remains one of the top priorities of the National Safety Council and the Oklahoma Safety Council. Cell phone use while driving is a large part of that but so are other things that take a driver's eyes and attention away from the road, e.g. putting on mascara, shaving, reading and using other electronic equipment. You will continue to see articles in our newsletter dedicated to this subject as we work to help educate the public on the dangers of distracted driving.

Keep it Safe in Oklahoma and save a life... that could be yours!

David J Koenke



Lights, Camera, Safety!

More than 380 guests attended the OSC's annual Safety & Health Conference June 8-10 in Norman. (Above) Vendors and organizations brought the latest in safety and health to the exhibit hall. (Left) Mike White, Global Safety and Health Director for General Motors, delivers the conference's keynote address. For more photos and award winners, please see pages 2-3.

OSHA Targets Heat Illness

OSHA on April 26 launched a national outreach initiative to educate workers and employers about the hazards of working outdoors in the heat. The campaign focuses on the importance of providing workers with water, rest and shade, which are core components of the heat illness prevention standard adopted by California's Division of Occupational Safety and Health.

In addition to educational materials, OSHA will provide a curriculum for workplace training and a webpage with information and resources on heat illness prevention and emergency care. The agency also partnered with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to include worker safety precautions in weather service alerts for heat. Heat is a concern for workers in industries such as agriculture, landscaping, construction, road repair and airport baggage. Heat illness can progress to heat stroke, a condition that killed more than 30 workers last year, according to OSHA.

Lights, Camera, Safety! OSC Recognizes 2011 Award of Excellence Winners

The Oklahoma Safety Council (OSC) held its annual Safety & Health Awards Luncheon on June 10, 2011. We had more than 380 guests in attendance for the largest safety recognition awards ceremony in the state. Oklahoma employers around the state were recognized for all their hard work and dedication over the last 12 months. Oklahoma Labor Commissioner Mark Costello, former Lieutenant Governor, Jari Askins and David Bates with the OSHA Area Office were in attendance and shared their appreciation for safety for the employers in Oklahoma and commended them on all of their safety efforts.

Outstanding Safety Professional Award
John Hackett, ProBuild

Friend of Safety Award
Denise Sodowsky, ConocoPhillips

Lifesaver Award
James Wood, Tinker Air Force Base

Company Award (Small Category)
Compass Manufacturing

Company Award (Medium Category)
FW Murphy

Company Award (Large Category)
Chesapeake Energy

Most Improved Award
Terex Corp.

Governor's Pinnacle Award
Boral Construction Materials

The OSC would also like to congratulate the Oklahoma Department of Labor award winners for their hard work and dedication to safety!

Small Employer Award
McElroy Manufacturing

Medium Employer Award
The Ross Group Construction

Large Employer Award
**ConocoPhillips
Ponca City Refinery**

Safety Culture Award
Flintco, LLC.

Public Sector Award
Okeene Municipal Hospital



*Outstanding Safety Professional Award –
(Left to right) Dave Koeneke, John Hackett, ProBuild, Jari Askins*



*Friend of Safety Award – Denise Sodowsky, ConocoPhillips,
with Diane Anderson*



Lifesaver Award – James Wood, Tinker Air Force Base



Company Award (Small Category) - Don Mosher, Compass Manufacturing

OSC Recognizes 2011 Award of Excellence Winners



*Company Award (Medium Category) - FW Murphy
Rick Martich, Shirley Bell, Cathy Kelley*



*Company Award (Large Category) - Chesapeake Energy
Paul Hagemeyer,*



*Most Improved Award - Terex Corp.
General Manager Don Anderson, HR Manager Jamie King, Drew
McCarthy, Director of Operations Dane DellaCrosse*



*Governor's Pinnacle Award - Boral Construction Materials
Bill Anderson, Sean Hickey, Angela Lankford,
Tom Turnipseed, Jake Seay*



*Lafonda Bruner, St John Occupational Healthcare
2011 Exhibitor Booth Contest Winner*

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conference photos!*



*Movie Trivia Winning Team. (Back row) Keith Austian, Abby Clyburn, Lafonda
Bruner, John Hackett, Shannon Nunneley, Brandon Robbins, (front row) Hank Henson,
Gerri Mooney, Milana Foster and Floyd Schulte.*



Conference Pics

(Upper left): Vendors were on hand throughout the conference to help educate attendees on the latest in the field of safety and health.



(Lower left): Tim Adams, Gerri Mooney and Robert Williams



(Above): Edmond Police Department's Alive at 25 Crash Trailer

Thank You to the 2011 Conference Sponsors!

Lights, Cameras, Safety! *2011 Safety & Health Conference*



Terex Wins Chairman's Safety Award

The Terex manufacturing facility in Oklahoma City recently surpassed the 1.2-million-hour mark without a lost-time incident, which was recognized with the Terex Chairman's Award for Safety and Health. To celebrate this safety achievement, in March the facility held an all-employee celebratory lunch and safety award ceremony and were joined by Terex Corporate Safety Director Barton McMillion and Oklahoma Safety Council Director Dave Koeneke.

"This is one of only five Chairman's Awards presented annually by Terex Corporation, and approximately 50 Terex manufacturing facilities throughout Europe, Asia, Australia and North America are vying for this honor," says Don Anderson, general manager for Terex Roadbuilding. "From management's commitment to team member involvement, everyone owns safety within the Terex organization. I am extremely proud of our team members' continual commitment to instilling a safe working environment."

It's been nearly two years since the last recorded lost-time incident at the facility of more than 350 workers. Throughout this time, the company has seen many changes, including the addition of two new product lines – asphalt paving and crushing equipment

– to its manufacturing portfolio. Yet, throughout it all, the company's commitment to safety did not fade. "It's like batting .400 in baseball...it happens, but not too often," comments Drew McCarthick, health, safety and environmental specialist, Terex Roadbuilding, about the milestone achievement in Oklahoma City.

Throughout 2010, the Oklahoma City facility made a concerted effort to advance its safety practices even further to continue the streak. Numerous safety programs were initiated, including Lockout/Tagout (LOTO) procedures; crane and rigging plans and certifications; monthly Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presentations; and fall protection systems. Safety programs were broadened to include office personnel with ergonomic stretching exercises and the addition of more than 30 American Red Cross CPR-certified team members.

One of the largest Terex sites in the world with 675,000 sq ft (62,710 sq m) of manufacturing space, the Oklahoma City facility manufactures approximately 75 products used in the con-



struction of America's infrastructure. The equipment line includes asphalt pavers, material transfer devices and vehicles, reclaimers/stabilizers, milling machines, asphalt plants and plant equipment, concrete slipform pavers, concrete plants, crushing equipment and landfill compactors.

OSHA Issues Large Fines

OSHA issued more than \$1.9 million in proposed fines to an Alabama lumber company for alleged safety hazards that included potentially exposing employees to amputations and falls.

OSHA announced the fines against Phenix Lumber Co. and its principal, John M. Dudley, June 14. The company received 16 citations, 13 of which contained 24 willful violations, including failure to properly shut down and lock out machinery before employees were required to clear jams or clean. The proposed fines are the largest OSHA has issued to date this fiscal year.

Prior to this recent enforcement action, OSHA had cited the company 77 times for safety and health violations, according to an agency press release.

"This situation reflects a systemic problem with the way this company approaches safety and demonstrates an egregious disregard for workers' safety and health," OSHA administrator David Michaels said in the release.

NSC Seeks Nominations

The National Safety Council is now accepting nominations for the **2011 Teen Driving Safety Leadership Awards**. Do you know someone worth nominating?

Traffic crashes are the leading cause of teen fatalities for 15- to 20-year-olds. Each day, crashes involving young drivers take approximately 15 lives. These crashes don't need to happen.

The Teen Driving Safety Leadership Awards program, sponsored by General Motors, was created to honor individuals and organizations that have made exceptional contributions to reducing the number of crashes, injuries and deaths involving teen drivers. Winners will have taken actions such as:

- Advocacy
- Leadership or coordination of an effort to adopt best practices
- Enacting legislation based on proven safety methods
- Enhancing public understanding of teen driving safety issues and prevention methods
- Demonstrating a consistent commitment to teen driving safety leadership

The deadline to submit a nomination is Aug. 5, 2011.

OSC Joins with Cell Phones for Soldiers

Cell Phones for Soldiers hopes to turn old cell phones into more than 12 million minutes of prepaid calling cards for U.S. troops stationed overseas in 2008. To do so, Cell Phones for Soldiers expects to collect 50,000 cell phones each month through a network of more than 3,000 collection sites across the country.

The phones are sent to ReCellular, which pays Cell Phones for Soldiers for each donated phone – enough to provide an hour of talk time to soldiers abroad.

“Americans will replace an estimated 130 million cell phones this year,” says Mike Newman, vice president of ReCellular, “with the majority of phones either discarded or stuffed in a drawer. Most people don’t realize that the small sacrifice of donating their unwanted phones can have a tremendous benefit for a worthy cause like Cell Phones for Soldiers.”

Cell Phones for Soldiers was founded by teenagers Robbie and Brittany



Bergquist from Norwell, Mass., with \$21 of their own money. Since then, the registered 501c3 non-profit organization has raised almost \$2 million in donations and distributed more than 500,000 prepaid calling cards to soldiers serving overseas.

“Cell Phones for Soldiers started as a small way to show our family’s appreciation for the men and women who have sacrificed the day-to-day contact with their own families to serve in the U.S. armed forces,” says the teens’ father, Bob Bergquist. “Over the past few years, we have been overwhelmed by the generosity of others. But, we have also seen the need to support our troops continue

to grow as more troops are sent overseas for longer assignments.”

Through increased fundraising efforts, the Bergquist family hopes to raise more than \$9 million in the next five years to fund new programs, such as providing video phones with prepaid service to allow soldiers abroad to see their families on a regular basis.

The Oklahoma Safety Council has partnered with Cell Phones for Soldiers to serve as a collection point for donated cell phones over the next 12 months. The OSC has a collection box in both of our offices for your convenience.

For more information about the Cell Phones for Soldiers program [Click here](#).

DVD Highlights Dangers of Distracted Driving

Did you know that using a cell phone while driving, whether it’s hand-held or hands free, delays a driver’s reactions as much as having a blood alcohol concentration at the legal limit of .08 percent?

- In 2009, 5,474, people were killed on U.S. roadways and an estimated additional 448,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes that were reported to have involved distracted driving.
- The age group with the greatest proportion of distracted drivers was the under-20 age group - 16 percent of all drivers younger than 20 involved in fatal crashes were reported to have been distracted while driving.
- Drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to get into crashes serious enough to injure themselves.

Given these alarming statistics, do you want your loved ones using a phone behind the wheel? And, cell phones aren’t the only distracter - MP3 players, navigation systems, eating and drinking, personal grooming - all can take attention away from the main focus, the road.

DuPont Sustainable Solutions has teamed up with FocusDriven to bring you R U Driven to Distraction, a DVD designed to raise awareness of and help reduce distracted driving and its dangers.

During this 12-minute DVD you’ll be introduced to a host-narrator who personifies today’s driving distractions. Riding as a “backseat driver” in two vehicles, he entices the drivers and passengers to succumb to various distractions along the way.

By dramatically demonstrating how one second of inattention can change a life forever, you’ll be left with no question about the potentially tragic consequences of allowing distractions to

interfere with driver concentration. It’s a perfect reminder for drivers all ages that distractions while driving can hurt or kill the people we love.

Share this high-impact program with your loved ones and encourage them to make their car a distraction-free zone. [Click here](#) to order your copy today.

InBrief

OSC Bi-weekly Broadcast Emails

The OSC sends out a bi-weekly broadcast email that keeps members informed about upcoming events, seminars and safety news. If you’re not receiving your bi-weekly email [Click here](#) to sign up.

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NSC Logo

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Submit all requests for the downloadable files to member-com@nsc.org.

Proper Tick Removal Helps Lower Risk of Diseases

Ticks rank as one of the most important carriers of disease to humans and animals. The longer a tick stays attached to the skin, the greater the risk for disease. It is important to have the correct information about tick removal as there are many wives' tales that don't work and can actually produce more harm.

According to Scott Schaeffer, managing director of the Oklahoma Poison Control Center, "There are many misunderstandings about proper tick removal. Though methods such as burning the tick off with a match, using fingernail polish to coat the tick and pouring gasoline on the tick have been used for years, these methods irritate the tick and cause it to regurgitate the contents of its stomach back into the bite. This greatly increases the risk for diseases such as Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever."

To correctly remove a tick, firmly

grasp the tick very close to the skin. With a steady motion, pull the tick's body away from the skin by pulling straight back. Wash the bite area with soap and warm water. Do not use a hot match head, petroleum jelly, olive oil, fingernail polish remover or any other type of chemical to remove the tick. If a portion of the tick remains embedded in the skin, keep the area clean and watch closely for signs of infection. You may also contact your doctor and ask for further treatment recommendations.

Mark the date of the tick bite on a calendar. If any flu-like symptoms such as fever, muscle pain, extreme fatigue, headache, chills, joint pain, swollen glands or a rash develop within three days to two months after the bite, see your physician. Lyme disease, though extremely rare in Oklahoma, may not cause symptoms to develop for up to two months.

When planning for a day outdoors, wear light-colored clothing so ticks will be easily seen. Long-sleeved shirts, caps, head scarves, long pants and socks will help keep ticks from coming into contact with skin. Tucking pants legs into boots will help prevent ticks from attaching to the leg.

Check your body for ticks after any time has been spent outdoors. Use a hand-held or full-length mirror to view all parts of the body. Be sure and check in and around the ears, head and all areas with body hair, under the arms, inside the belly button, behind the knees, between the legs and around the waist area. If a tick is found, remove it immediately with a pair of pointed tweezers.

For more information and pictures to aid in identification of Oklahoma ticks, visit the Oklahoma Poison Control Center website at www.oklahomapoison.org.

St. John Occupational Healthcare Symposium Know Safety. No Injuries

Mary K. Chapman Health Plaza at St. John Medical Center
Tulsa, Oklahoma • Friday August 26, 2011
Registration: 7:15-7:50 a.m.

The 2011 St. John Occupational Healthcare Symposium will focus on:

- Workers' compensation legislature updates
- Oklahoma Labor Commission
- Mental Health: Coping with stress - how you can help your employees
- Doctor panel discussion on workplace injuries
- Workers' compensation case management and billing
- Oklahoma Safety Council: Safety in the work place

Keynote speakers:

Mark Costello, Oklahoma Labor Commissioner

Robert L. DeLozier, MS, LPC

Ray Denny, MD, orthopedic surgeon, St. John Physicians

Scott Dull, MD, St. John Neuroscience Institute

Dave Koeneke, Rocky Waller, Kellie Warrior, Oklahoma Safety Council

Todd Hoffman, MD, St. John Urgent Care and Occupational Healthcare

Antoine Jabbour, MD, orthopedic surgeon, Tulsa Bone & Joint

Jason Lepak, MD, St. John Urgent Care and Occupational Healthcare

Chris Lewis, Work Net of Oklahoma

Judge David Reid

Call the St. John PulseLine at 918-744-0123 to make a reservation. Seating is limited. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided at no cost. If unable to attend, a courtesy three-day cancellation notice is required to make an accurate food and beverage count.

DOT Teams Up with BBB to Battle Distracted Driving

The Department of Transportation and the Better Business Bureau have teamed up to educate consumers and businesses about the dangers of distracted driving, Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood said on June 8. According to a DOT press release, the partnership will urge businesses to adopt distracted driving policies as part of their work culture.

The benefits of these policies include saving lives, reducing time lost from work due to crashes and injuries, reduced insurance premiums, and money savings, the press release said. BBB's website will feature a free toolkit providing employers with suggested distracted driving policies. Nearly 5,500 people in the United States were killed and almost half a million were injured in crashes related to distracted driving in 2009, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Eighteen percent of those fatal incidents involved the use of a cell phone.

Safety Observances

May 1-31

National Fireworks Safety Months

Prevent Blindness America

www.preventblindness.org

New Members

Kevin Smith

Rodrigo Borda

Daniel Cain

Brent Miller

Tesa Newcomb

Hard Hat Safety And Glove

Science Museum Oklahoma

Hounds Safety Training & Consulting

City of Anadarko

Enerflow Industries Inc

Lauren Long

Ernest Johnson

Citizen Potawatomi Nation

NSC Webinars

Member Exclusive Recorded Webinars

As a member of the National Safety Council you are aligned with the world's leading safety and health resource. Member benefits have been designed to provide support, knowledge, resources, training, and expertise enabling you and your employees to work more efficiently. The NSC offers recordings of their past webinars and presentations – all available free of charge. These recordings are best viewed in Microsoft Internet Explorer. Enter your name and click "View Recording" to begin (no Recording Key required). Choose from the following safety topics:

Defensive & Distracted Driving Webinars

General Safety Information Webinars

Members Helping Member Webinars

Off-the-Job Safety Webinars

Workplace Safety Webinars

[Click here](#) to view a previously recorded webinar. You must create an account before you will have access to the Members Only area of the NSC website.

Luncheon Ideas

The OSC wants to know what topics you would like to hear at the monthly Network Luncheons in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. We would love to hear your ideas! Please contact Kellie Warrior, Marketing and Events Manager, at kelliw@oksafety.org.

Thank you for your input!

Recall Corner



Target Increases Recall of Child Booster Seats After Reports of Falls

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

[Click for Info](#)

Name of Product: Circo Child Booster Seats

Units: About 375,000 (43,000 additional booster seats were recalled in August 2009)

Importer: Target, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Hazard: The booster seat's restraint buckle can open unexpectedly, allowing a child to fall from the chair and be injured.

Incidents/Injuries: Target has received 10 additional reports of booster seat buckles opening unexpectedly, including three reports of bumps and/or bruises when a child fell forward out of the booster seat, hitting an object or the floor.

Description: The expanded recall involves all Circo Booster Seats, including those sold as early as 2005. The plastic booster seats are blue with green trim and a white plastic restraint buckle. They attach to an adult chair to boost a child to a table. "Circo" and "Booster Seat" can be found on a green label located in the front of the booster seat.

Sold exclusively at: Target stores nationwide from January 2005 through June 2009 for about \$13.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled booster seats and return them to any Target store for a full refund.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Target at (800) 440-0680 between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's website at www.target.com.

July Training Opps

Click for Info

Additional courses and updates on OSC's website.

Date	Loc.	Course	Mem/Non	Time
July 12	OKC	MCS Hazard Communications ^{2&5}	\$95/\$135	8:30am-Noon
July 12	OKC	MCS Welding Cutting Brazing ²	\$95/\$135	1:00pm-4:30pm
July 13	OKC	First Aid/CPR5 and AED	\$55/\$95	8:30am-4:30pm
July 13	OKC	CPR Recertification ⁵	\$45/\$75	8:30am-Noon
July 13	OKC	First Aid Recertification ⁵	\$45/\$75	1:00pm-4:30pm
July 13-15	OKC	First Aid/CPR Instructor ¹	\$295/\$395	8:30am-4:30pm
July 20	OKC	Incident Investigation & Root Cause Analysis ^{4&6}	\$119/\$169	8:30am-5:00pm
July 20	Tulsa Tech Campus	MCS Hazard Communications ^{2&5}	\$95/\$135	8:30am-Noon
July 20	Tulsa Tech Campus	MCS Welding Cutting Brazing ²	\$95/\$135	1:00pm-4:30pm
July 21-23	OKC	Defensive Driving Instructor ³	\$295/\$395	8:30am-4:30pm
July 25-26	OKC	Alive at 25 Instructor ^{3&5}	\$315/\$315	8:30am-4:30pm
July 27	Tulsa	Forklift Operator	\$95/\$135	8:30am-Noon
July 27	Tulsa	Forklift Instructor ¹	\$550/\$655	8:30am-4:30pm

Courses dates, time or cost are subject to change without notice. All courses listed include cost of materials/work books and/or instructor manuals. ¹ This course includes ALL teaching materials including video(s) and/or DVD. ² Compliance Series Course. ³ This course requires an additional video lease. ⁴ Qualifies for CSHO. ⁵ Cleet accredited.

Seminar Spotlight

Master of Compliance Series (MCS) Workshop

Here we are half way through another year. With that, it is time to be looking ahead to 2012 to see where you'll use your budgets most effectively. Don't be reactive, start your safety programs now. And now is the time to start registering for the Master of Compliance Series Certificate (MCS). This is not just classroom lecture, but a workshop curriculum that generates discussion, and participant activities that create teamwork, networking and a great knowledge of the OSHA standards and how to apply them. This program will show you how to take control of your safety program, and know with confidence that you are in compliance with OSHA standards. Participants will gain a greater knowledge of the compliance issues involved in the working industry. It will also give the opportunity to gain an understanding of their company's current level of compliance and identify gaps. During the course participants will be able to design an up-to-date safety plan for their company's specific needs.

The Oklahoma Safety Council recognizes that companies and employers need to maximize productivity and payroll dollars in today's business. This is the specific reason we have broken down the classes into one class per month over the course of 6 months that will fulfill the requirements for certifications, while eliminating an employee's absence from work for a full week that is normally associated with 30 and 40 hour classes. Registration for the 2011 Master of Compliance Certificate program is now underway. Be pro-active by taking charge of your safety program.

Course Dates

Aug 10, 2011 thru Feb 2012 (Tulsa)
or Aug 16, 2011 thru Feb 2012 (OKC)
8:30am - 5:00pm

Cost: \$650 Members or \$750 Non-Member

Click here for more information or to register online. If you have specific questions about the Master of Compliance Certificate, contact Rocky Waller at 405-848-8626.

Group Calls for Ban on Latex Gloves in Health Care

Advocacy group Public Citizen filed a petition April 25 urging the Food and Drug Administration to ban natural rubber latex medical gloves because they pose a hazard to health care workers and patients.

According to the petition, health care workers are at risk for allergic reactions to latex, and inhaling the cornstarch powder bound to latex proteins can trigger acute asthma attacks and anaphylactic shock in sensitized workers. FDA rejected a similar petition from Public Citizen in 1998.

However, the agency proposed regulations the following year to reclassify surgical and patient examination gloves and require special controls such as warning labels. Public Citizen noted that a group of doctors and the director of scientific affairs and clinical education for a glove manufacturer also have asked FDA to ban the use of cornstarch powder on all types of surgical and patient examination gloves.

OSC's Network Luncheons

Each month the Oklahoma Safety Council hosts network luncheons in Tulsa and Oklahoma City. These luncheons are designed to provide valuable education opportunities, with presentations by experts in various fields. They also provide time for safety professionals to network, which promotes collaboration, partnerships and further education that translates to a safer Oklahoma!

2011 Legislative Update

Speaker: Honorable Owen Evans

Session Description: Before the end of the 2011 Legislative Session, Governor Mary Fallin signed into law SB 878. Join Judge Owen Evans of the Workers' Compensation Court as he discusses the new Workers' Compensation CODE. This bill was a complete RE-WRITE of Oklahoma's workers' compensation laws. Come learn the details of these new changes!

Speaker Bio: Judge Evans graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Syracuse University in 1979. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Tulsa, College of Law in 1985.

Following graduation from law school he practiced general civil law for seven years before joining Atkinson Haskins in 1992 to focus on insurance defense and workers' compensation defense law. He then joined as a Partner with the McGivern, Gillard and Curthoys law firm for workers' compensation defense from 1995 to 2010.

In September of 2010, he was appointed to the bench of the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court by Governor Brad Henry.

Judge Evans has been married for thirty years to Lori, a real estate agent with McGraw Realtors. They have two children. Bryn is 25 and a graduate of Colorado State University; and Megan is 23 and a graduate from the University of Oklahoma. Judge Evans is also an Elder and Deacon of John Knox Presbyterian Church in Tulsa. He is also a member of the Defense Section of the Oklahoma Bar.

**Tulsa - Furr's - 6560 E. 51st Street
(Farm Shopping Center at 51st & Sheridan)**

July 14, 2011 • 11:30 a.m.

The First 100 Days in Office

**Speaker: Mark Costello,
Oklahoma Labor Commissioner**

Speaker Bio: Mark Costello became Oklahoma's Commissioner of Labor on January 10, 2011.

He is a 4th generation Oklahoman born in Bartlesville. Mark graduated from College High in Bartlesville and entered the University of Kansas graduating in 1980 with his undergraduate degree. He met and married his wife Cathy in 1982 and they have five children Christian, Ian, Anna Marie, Caitlin and Kolbe. They currently reside in Edmond.

Since 1984, Mark has founded several technology based companies which have resulted in over a hundred good jobs and hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue. A fiscal conservative, Commissioner Costello believes that his private sector business experience, gives him valuable insight necessary to administer the Labor Department's \$7.5 million annual budget in the best interests of the great state of Oklahoma and its people.

Commissioner Costello stated that he is committed to be an "active Labor Commissioner who will deploy existing resources to better aid Oklahoma job producers." He will support legislative efforts to reduce government bureaucracy, and will work hard to promote private-sector job creation.

**Oklahoma City - Golden Corral
5702 NW Expressway
(Between Meridian & MacArthur)
July 20, 2011 • 11:30 a.m.**

Invisible Bracelet

For a limited time, 10% discount for OSC members

What often happens in the workplace is that a few co-workers will know who to call, but very few will know what medications or medical conditions someone has: life-saving information in an emergency. Invisible Bracelet (iB) allows its members to register their name, age, medical information and emergency contacts on a secure online account that is synced to a unique 8-digit personal identification number (PIN). Your PIN can be found on any of your iB identifiers: key chain fobs,



stickers & your member card. In an emergency, anyone can text your PIN to the short code 5-10-20 and receive an instant reply with whatever medical information you want them to know.

Invisible Bracelet plans and pricing start at \$10 and for a limited time are being offered at a ten percent discount to members of the Oklahoma Safety Council. For large orders, please call 918-592-3722 to take advantage of bulk discount pricing.

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