

"Prevention is  
our Intention"

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# Safety Partnership



Zero incidents by choice through  
Partnerships for Safety...

## Safety Partnership News

### Observation Based Safety

We now have two local contracting companies working with IEC staff to refresh and renew their Observation Based Safety program. We are excited with the potential to renew this process using ideas and feedback from OBS observers.

If you are interested in working with us, please contact Peter Stock at the IEC for more details.

## BSO-R

### Basic Safety Recertification

The BSO-R class has been upgraded with local Hazardous Condition reports, as well as the learnings from Sarnia-Lambton incidents and accidents.

The new video will be about ten minutes longer than the current "Life is for Living" that we have been using the last few years.

This new video is based on Dow's successful "Home for Dinner" safety campaign.

There may be some adjustment of scheduled class times, but these will be communicated through the website registration forms as well as our fax based forms.

We are excited about this more personal direction of Basic Safety Orientation Recertification!

## Ministry of Labour Fatality Statistics

As of June 7, 2006

### 14 Fatalities....age 23 to 60 Average Age...43

- 3 crushed to death
- 3 fell to their death
- 3 electrocuted
- 3 struck by
- 1 drowned
- 1 undetermined cause

**Don't Let Yourself  
Become a Statistic!**

## Ministry of Labour Critical Injury Statistics

As of June 7, 2006

2005 Totals.....42  
2006 to date.....23

### 61% Injured in Falls FALLING STATISTICS

Average Fall Distance...10ft  
42% Fell Off Ladders  
21% Fell Off Scaffolds  
21% Fell off a Roof

The Difference Between a  
Fatality and a Critical is Only  
Dumb Luck!

## Local Contractor TRIR Statistics

2005.....1.7  
Q1 2006.....0.67  
Q2 2006.....0.82  
Combined Total for the  
1<sup>st</sup> Half of 2006....0.75

**Safety Management Assessment Update**

The Safety Partnership website has been updated to show each company's status with this program. Each contractor is expected to review the SMA annually with the IEC and in the third year, perform a complete audit.

For 2006, it is our mandate to perform a Safety Management Assessment Field Audit of more than 150 companies by December 2006.

The status of those field audits are shown at:

[http://www.sarniasafety.com/contr\\_health\\_safety\\_pro.htm](http://www.sarniasafety.com/contr_health_safety_pro.htm)

If you would like to volunteer for this Field Audit, please contact Mike Manz or Peter Stock at 519 383-1222 to arrange an appointment.

**CRSP**

**Preparation Course**

If you are interested in attending a CRSP preparation course, please contact the IEC. There has been some interest expressed in having a local course offered and we would like to collect names in order to determine the level of interest in bringing this to the Sarnia area.

Contact Peter Stock at [pstock@sarniasafety.com](mailto:pstock@sarniasafety.com)

**New Confined Space Regulations**

New course content for Confined Space Entry as well as a revamp of the current Safety Attendant course are being delivered to local workers as of July 4, 2006

- New legislation takes place September 30<sup>th</sup> 2006.
- Reg 632/05 is a stand alone regulation that will apply to other workplaces
- You will need a written program for confined space entry
- Minimum oxygen content raised from 18% to 19.5%
- Inspection work conducted at 25% of an LEL not 50%
- Hot work allowed at 5% of an LEL
- Ministry has developed a DRAFT guide to these new regulations
- e-mail Peter for a copy of this document

**Did You Know?**

Someone who has not slept for 18 hours is as impaired as someone with a 50mg% blood alcohol level. (That's the level police can suspend your driver's license for 12 to 24 hours)

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Electrical Awareness Meeting**

Tuesday August 1<sup>st</sup>, in the Wells Room at the IEC

**Energy Control Group Meeting**

Wednesday August 9<sup>th</sup> in the Wells Room at the IEC

**Safety Partnership Steering Committee Meeting**

Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Village Inn

**Strange But True?!**

The Hawaiian alphabet has 12 letters.

State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska.

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

Women blink nearly twice as much as men do.

For the "wrong handed" people...Over 2500 left handed people a year are killed from using products made for right handed people! That means DEATH to Lefties

A cockroach can live several weeks with its head cut off - it dies from starvation.

Q. Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name requested?  
A. Obsession