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Oregon Independent Aggregate Association Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

Vaccinations are underway, more kids are getting back into schools, and things seem to be picking up – both for the economy and our battered spirits. We can hope our return to normalcy is right around the corner.

This month, I am once again asking members to take a more active role in OIAA and consider joining the Board. Sharing your experiences can help everyone. Our Board meets a few times a year to discuss the regulatory and public perception challenges that face our industry. OIAA's training and outreach efforts are designed to inform our members and help maintain regulatory compliance. We would appreciate your input and always extend the opportunity to bring fresh perspectives of how the association can serve our industry. Please reach out to myself, Kellie Ramar, or any other Board member and add your voice and experience to OIAA.

Take care and be safe,

Erick Staley
Chairman



Safety Topics:

Annual Refresher Training Update for 2021

No new update to report at this time. As of this date the plans remain with having two classes in June. Albany June 21st and Roseburg June 22nd. I will be contacting the venues in April to see how things are progressing. With the Vaccine in place our hopes is that we will be allowed to have the in person training as we have done in previous years. Watch the April newsletter for more updates. Do your part to stay safe and help us all get back to some kind or normal.

Kellie Ramar
OIAA Secretary

Safepro MSHA Law Institute

The 2021 June Safepro Law Institute will be held in downtown Savannah Ga at the Hilton Garden Inn. Downtown Savannah offers many things to do and great restaurants within walking distance of the hotel.

Safepro Institute will give you the information and knowledge to not only comply with MSHA law but to combat citations with which you do not agree. The institute covers the 1977 Mine Health and Safety Act as amended by the 2006 Miner's Act and 30 CFR standards. We will go into detail about Your company's responsibilities under the law and operator entitlements and inspector's responsibilities pertaining to the law. We will review what constitutes a S&S citation and 104d1 citation. You will be given a law manual which includes the two parts of the law and MSHA program policies. We will review a number of actual citations that have been issued over the years and how to defend against bad paper using the law manual. The seminar will cover part 46 training requirements and part 50 reporting requirements. By attending our institute, you will have the knowledge and confidence to handle the "imminent" MSHA inspection. Have your game plan and your people ready; remember your house must be in order to keep the government from controlling your business.

This institute represents the best way to bring your new people up to speed and refresh your supervisors, managers and lead people.

Spouses are welcome if your company allows you to bring them.

The Safepro hospitality room will be open Sunday night and every night after class with food and drinks along with a chance to talk with your instructors about any problems you and your company may face. To register go to safeproinc.com.

We only have **twelve** spots open for the 2021 June Law class. If you have anyone that needs to come sign up early.

Yours in Safe Production,

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**For the future of our association we are vigilantly looking for new board members.
If you are interested please contact any OIAA Board Member or Officer.**

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Currently there are no meetings scheduled.

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Stay Safe, Stay Healthy

Looking forward to a great summer