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Oregon Independent Aggregate Association Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

2023 Scholarships Awarded

We are very happy to announce that two OIAA Scholarships were awarded to deserving candidates this year! They both explained in their applications how important people in their lives inspired them to be disciplined, work hard, and to pursue careers in engineering and construction.

- Antonio Escalante-Orozco started at Oregon State University this fall with a major in Construction Engineering Management and a minor in Spanish.
- Braylin Ruchti started at Southern Oregon University this fall, pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering.

Congratulations, both of you!! We hope your next adventure is successful!

Stormwater Reminder

Now that the rains are here, remember to check your site's stormwater management systems and make sure they are effective in preventing sediment and contaminants from reaching surface waters and groundwater. If your site discharges stormwater to a stream or other surface water, you need to conduct monitoring and record activities for your NPDES 1200-A permit. If you need a refresher, look back at the June 2022 newsletter for more information, or access information through DOGAMI's website:

https://www.oregon.gov/dogami/mlrr/pages/waterquality.aspx?utm_source=DOGAMI&utm_medium=egov_redirect&utm_campaign=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.oregongeology.org%2Fmlrr%2Fwaterquality.htm

In addition to turbidity and required water sampling, look for sheens leaving equipment yards, roadways, or other traveled surfaces and clean them up to make sure they do not reach the outside environment.

Take care and be safe,

Erick Staley
Chairman

If you're thinking of participating on the OIAA Board of Directors this would be a meeting to attend. Future plans for the association will be discussed.

Our next Board meeting will be held at the offices of KPD Insurance 1111 Gateway Loop Springfield, Oregon on **October 30th at 10AM**. If you are interested in a Board member position please plan to attend. As mentioned in the above article **“without a Board to run the organization, OIAA will cease to be.”**

Safety Corner



As we say goodbye to the warm days of summer and hello to cool days of fall, be aware of new or increased hazards that can catch you by surprise. This includes hazards related to severe weather, road construction, pedestrians, driving, and working outdoors.

Working outdoors

When working outdoors, workers may encounter hazards such as slips, trips, and falls, falling debris or materials, vegetation, pests and animals, and weather. Find out what you should know about these outdoor hazards and how to protect your workers.

STORMS AND FLOODING

Storms can cause flooding and other weather related issues. Learn how to prepare for these types of situations, and stay safe.

AUTUMN DRIVING AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Autumn driving can be hazardous due to weather and pedestrians. Stay focused and be prepared for the unexpected.

Tuesday October 31st is Halloween. As you drive home from your job sites please watch for children trick or treating.



Happy Halloween

**Congratulations to our two scholarship winners
Braylin Ruchti and Antonio Escalante-Orozco**



Attention OIAA member contacts

Please keep us updated on contact changes and email changes for your company.

Is there someone in your company that you would like to receive this newsletter? Please send information to memberreply@oregonaggregate.com

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