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Oregon Independent Aggregate Association Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

OIAA Scholarships

A reminder to all members – **OIAA is still offering two scholarships this year.** There have been no takers! Seriously – just waiting for a candidate to apply and take advantage of OIAA's support. The scholarships are open to students pursuing education in a field related to construction, aggregates, or forestry including:

Construction	Forestry	Land use planning
Construction management	Geology	Heavy equipment repair
Engineering	Architecture	Welding

Current members, employees of member companies, and their families can apply for these scholarships.

Retiring Board Members

Long-time OIAA members Dan Kauffman and Jim Jeffries have retired from the Board. Both were instrumental in helping to form OIAA and keep it going in the early years. Many thanks to them for their years of service to us and to the industry at large.

MSHA Part 46 Training

While it is a little early to be talking about our spring Part 46 training, we learned that Josh Schultz will be leaving The Law Office of Adele Abrams. He has been the training instructor for several years and has done a terrific job, including thought-provoking films for the lunch hour and running the very popular Mine Safety Jeopardy. We wish Josh well in his future pursuits. Adele confirmed that she will be providing the training this year, so the training should still be informative and entertaining as usual.

Take care and be safe,

Erick Staley
Chairman

October is Pedestrian Safety Month: Here are safety tips for everyone

Oregon is experiencing a higher number of fatalities on our transportation system for those who are walking or rolling. One step we can take is to remind everyone of the simple things we can do to protect each other. October is Pedestrian Safety Month and a great time to brush up on the basics of keeping everyone safer on our roads, whether you're commuting to work, going to school or just getting exercise.

We highlight pedestrian safety in fall and winter because the days get shorter and the weather creates barriers with its fog, rain and snow. Fatal crashes involving pedestrians are far more likely to take place at night when it's harder to see. In 2020, 77% of pedestrian fatalities in the U.S. occurred when it was dark out, according to the latest data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

In the U.S., pedestrian deaths accounted for 17% of all traffic fatalities in 2020. In Oregon there were 71 pedestrian fatalities, which accounted for 14% of motor vehicle involved traffic fatalities in 2020. At 1.67 deaths per 100,000 people, Oregon ranks as the 23rd highest state in pedestrian fatality rate according to the latest data (NHTSA.gov). While Oregon fell below the national average in 2020, [preliminary national and state data](#) suggest an increase in pedestrian fatalities and serious injuries since 2020.

Everyone should:

- **Plan ahead** to avoid unplanned delays that cause rushed behavior.
- **Know and follow traffic laws.**
- **Be aware** of your surroundings.
- **Pay attention** to weather and road conditions and drive accordingly.
- **Focus on the task at hand:** walking, rolling, biking or driving.
- **Drive, walk, bike or roll sober.** Alcohol and drugs impair your abilities and judgment.

Driving Tips

- **Look for pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists** when you look for oncoming vehicles and other traffic. Be especially mindful in parking lots, at stop signs, and when backing up or parking.
- **Be extra cautious** when driving in low visibility conditions, or in places where people normally cross the road, such as parks, schools, shopping areas and busy intersections.
- **Slow down** and be prepared to stop when entering a crosswalk — especially in low light conditions.
- **[Yield to pedestrians](#)** in crosswalks and stop well back to give other vehicles an opportunity to see crossing pedestrians.
- **Follow the speed limit. Stay alert** in school zones and in neighborhoods where children are present.
- **Check all [crosswalks](#)** before turning to see if people are trying to cross the road.
- **Stay alert and ditch the distractions:** Keep your eyes and ears open and ditch the distractions like texting, talking on the cell phone, or loud music. Ask others in the car to help you drive safely by navigating, looking for people walking, biking, and rolling.

Walking and Rolling Tips

- **Stay alert and ditch the distractions:** Keep your eyes and ears open and ditch the distractions like texting, talking on the cell phone, or listening to headphones.
- **[Cross with caution and cross at corners:](#)** Don't assume the coast is clear just because you're using the crosswalk and the WALK sign is on. Continue to watch for traffic as you cross — especially for turning vehicles.
- **Be clear to drivers:** If you wish to cross, be sure to place a hand, leg, cane or wheel out to show intent to cross and make eye contact with drivers. If you're not sure the driver sees you, let the vehicle go first.
- **[Be visible:](#)** Wear bright clothing (even white clothing may not be visible at night). Add reflective material or a blinking light to your jacket or backpack or carry a flashlight at night. Be extra careful when walking at dawn or dusk.

- **Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots.**
- **Face oncoming traffic and use sidewalks** when they are available. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- **When possible, cross streets at crosswalks or intersections**, where people driving expect pedestrians. Look for cars in all directions, including those turning. If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, find a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic. Wait for a gap in traffic that allows enough time to safely cross and continue watching for traffic as you cross.



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

OIAA Scholarship deadline has been extended to November 15th

(See attached application, please pass on to your employees)

Newsletter and Training Notification email address updates

These past few years have brought many changes to some of our member companies. If you have had a change in personnel or added new personnel that you wish to receive this newsletter and information regarding our annual training please contact our secretary Kellie Ramar @ memberreply@oraggregate.com

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**Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 8, 2023 at 10 AM
Location will be announced at a later date**

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Oregon Independent Aggregate Association (OIAA) is proud to offer a \$2,500.00 scholarship to any deserving student pursuing a career related to the construction, aggregate and forestry industry. Areas of study are to include construction, construction management, engineering, geology, architecture, land use planning, forestry, heavy equipment repair and welding.

Who May Apply?

The OIAA Scholarship is open to all current members, employees of current members and their families studying in the required fields as indicated above.

The academic institution may be a university, community college, private college or a trade school with recognized related courses of study. Scholarships will be applied toward full or part-time tuition and or educational material costs within one calendar year.

Your Personal Statement is the most important part of your application! When you prepare your Personal Statement, it's very helpful to tell the OIAA scholarship selection committee about your career goals in the required industries, personal goals, reasons for applying for this particular scholarship, and personal financial circumstances that pertain to your financial need. Your statement should be a minimum of one page and not more than two pages.

The OIAA Selection and Award Process

Applications will be directed to the scholarship selection committee. Scholarship recipient will be notified in writing by the OIAA and the recipient's name will be listed on the OIAA website. Those who do not receive scholarships will also be notified by mail.

Unless otherwise noted, the scholarship shall be in the amount of \$ 2,500.00 as a onetime award.

All recipients will be required to write a short letter of thanks to the OIAA and present it in person at a designated Board Meeting. By attending such meeting you indicate your acceptance of the award and the terms of the scholarship.

Scholarships shall be awarded in compliance with applicable Oregon laws and OIAA policies related to non-discrimination on the basis of sex, race, age, color, national or ethnic origin, marital status, disability, religion, sexual orientation or veteran status.

Scholarship Application (2022)



(Office Use Only) Application Number _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION: (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Applicant's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Alternate phone number (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

I. ACADEMIC INFORMATION: (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Name of High School: _____

Year of High School Graduation: _____

Current University, College or Trade School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (____) _____

Overall GPA: _____ Major: _____ Minor: _____

When do you expect to graduate? _____

II. Extracurricular and or Community Information:

List honors, awards, prizes or recognition you have received: _____

List school and or group activities (sports, clubs, committees, offices) that you have participated in: _____

List and describe your hobbies and interests: _____

III. WORK EXPERIENCE (INCLUDE ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER IF NEEDED)

What work experience have you had? _____

Would you be interested in work with a construction, aggregate projects or forestry company? YES _____ NO _____ PART-TIME _____ SUMMER _____

IV. Remember to attach the following:

_____ A transcript of grades through the last grading period prior to the date of application.

_____ A letter of recommendation from a teacher, employer or other relevant acquaintance.

_____ Your Personal Statement as required in the Scholarship Guidelines.

I certify that the information on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return you application to the attention of the application committee

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Application Deadline: November 15, 2022