

FIRST ANNUAL RHODE ISLAND CONSTRUCTION SAFETY DAY

September 23rd, 2004 • 10am - 6pm

We are pleased to invite all individuals currently employed in any construction-related field to the First Annual 'Rhode Island Construction Safety Day' on September 23rd, 2004. Joining together over 500 people from various facets of the construction industry, this day will provide safety demonstrations to individuals and companies regarding safe work sites and also how to provide a safe work environment.

Several demonstrations and exhibits have been scheduled, focusing on the four most repeated construction site hazards: Fall, Caught In Between, Electrical Shock and Struck-bys.

FALLS-bring us back to earth suddenly from elevated platforms: various scaffoldings, aerial lifts (boom/scissor) and the ubiquitous ladder. The falls module will cover the foregoing plus the basics of fall prevention, calculating total fall distance and rescue from falls.



CAUGHT IN BETWEEN-puts construction people into areas that involve trenching and confined space. These exposures are common to trades people working at utilities, and heavy/highway construction. The safety emphasis will include: trench construction basics, rigid trench shields, hydraulic shoring and a trench rescue performed by the RI Urban Search and Rescue Team.



ELECTRIC SHOCK- perhaps the most frightening of all construction site hazards. Faster than a speeding bullet and without any warning, misused electric potential goes to ground, often resulting in destruction and death. Demonstrations and discussions will focus on ZAP ZONE alertness, electric usage basics, pre-job planning for re-location and power outage, proximity warning devices, and demonstrations of utility location equipment.

STRUCK-BY-often forgotten beforehand but seldom forgotten after the event, struck-bys are everywhere: the swinging end of a horizontally transported extension ladder, the swinging block hung from the jib boom of a crane and the speeding motorist approaching a roadside work zone. There will be realistic reminders to "wake people up" to the dangerous potential of struck-bys.

Vendors of PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), Rental, Enviro Testing, Emergency Response, Safety and other related equipment and services will also be on-hand to answer your questions regarding safe work practices.

Training Certificates for powder actuated tools and Aerial Lifts (boom and scissor) will be available for those successfully completing these onsite trainings provided by the equipment dealers. The demonstrations and trainings will be repeated throughout the morning and afternoon, to minimize time away from the job.



The admission fee is \$20.00 and covers both morning and afternoon sessions, as well as a ticket for a door prize.

'Twelve Acres,' located at 445 Douglas Pike (Route 7) in Smithfield, RI, will host our day-long event, which will take place outside with lunch available all day in the pavilion. Feel free to visit their website for additional information on their facilities www.twelveacresbanquet.com. Rain date for the event will be the following day, Friday, Sept. 24th.

Rhode Island Construction Safety Day is a co-production by the Rhode Island ACC Safety Committee and The Beacon Mutual Insurance Company. For more information visit www.riacc.org



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