

# The Scoop on Damage Prevention



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## 2012 Safety Training Update

Call Okie's Damage Prevention's focus in 2012 has been "excavator responsibility." Anyone being paid to move dirt in the state of Oklahoma must use the state's notification system (Call Okie) 48 business hours before planned excavation. Excavators need to know the proper procedures and responsibilities that are required of them when they make the 811 call.

Focusing on Public Works/Municipal workers this year, Brenda Hoefar and Jerry West have traveled the state speaking to public works employees, county employees, contractors, excavators or anyone who needs a safety class or a guest speaker. Hearing, understanding and using the "Dig Safe" message protects both our excavators and underground facilities in our state.

From February to October the "Dig Safe" message has been presented to 808 County and Public Works Employees and 93 contractors in 28 meetings across the State of Oklahoma. Thank you to all who have attended and have requested safety training for your employees.



## Oklahoma Damage Prevention Summit 2012



The Damage Prevention Summit is an annual, regional CGA partner event and a vital component to Oklahoma's underground facilities' damage prevention program. It's a unique event and provides an opportunity for all industry stakeholders to come together and promote excavation safety and public safety.

This year's attendees included stakeholders ranging from gas and pipeline representatives, professional excavators and locators, electric

company personnel, communications representatives and municipalities. The Summit also creates opportunities for stakeholders to network in an environment that allows for building relationships. It is a great way to talk to one another, rather than talk about one another. The Summit is also designed to share proposed legislative initiatives, new technologies, and unique perspectives. The 2012 Summit was a great success and 2013's Summit looks to be even bigger and better.

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- Excavator Meetings

## North Division Red Carpet Green Country Frontier October Activities



### Environmental Health and Safety

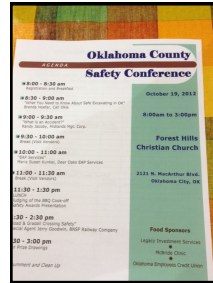
#### Oklahoma County Health & Safety Fair

Brenda Hoefar was the opening speaker for the Oklahoma County Safety Fair on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The Safety Fair is an annual event, which brings together county employees, first responders and municipal employees from Oklahoma City and the surrounding area. The fair is a one day event with "Safety" as the main goal.

The morning included not only Brenda speaking about "What you need to know

about Safe Excavation", but also Randy Jacoby, Midlands Mgt Corp speaking about "What is an Accident" Maria Kunkel of Deer Oaks EAP Services, and Special Agent Jerry Goodwin with BNSF Railway Company speaking about "Road & Gradall Crossing Safety."

A BBQ cook-off concluded the event. Approximately 200 people were in attendance.



**Know a contractor  
that would benefit from Call Okie training.  
Contact your Damage Prevention Manager.**

**North DPC  
November Activities**

11/7 Warren Cat Speaker  
(Tulsa)

11/14 Green Country DPC Mtg  
Freddie's in Sapulpa

11/16 Board of Directors Mtg  
(Tulsa)

**Public Education  
Damage Prevention  
Council**

**Next Meeting**

TBA

Call Okie Office  
2831 NW 59th St,  
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**South Division  
Chickasaw Great Plains Kiamichi  
October Activities**

**Robbers Cave Fall Festival  
October 19-21 Wilburton, OK**



Call Okie Damage Prevention Councils participates in over 25-30 events in Oklahoma each year. The Kiamichi Country Damage Prevention Council participated in The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Robbers Cave Festival October 19-21. This festival is one of the biggest events in the southern part of Oklahoma. This year the festival attracted over 70,000 people over its 3 day duration. Of the 70,000 visitors, 9,800 individuals came to the festival from states other than Oklahoma.

A total of 9 volunteers representing the Kiamichi Country DP council worked the Call Okie and BP booth during the festival. Volunteers distributed over 5,000 pieces of marketing materials displaying the Dial 811 message. Hats off to the many volunteers for their time and efforts in making this event a huge success; Jenna Hovendick, Jase Perry, Kenneth Morris BP Wilburton. Charley Bagley and Charles Columbus Chesapeake. Chuck Woods

ATT, Brian Young Centerpoint and Brett Roberts ONG Hugo.

Educating homeowners, farmers/ranchers and excavators the importance of dialing “811” before they start their projects is the main focus of the materials distributed at the “ Call Okie” booth during each event. The booth volunteers answer questions about Oklahoma’s excavation law and discuss industry trends with the festival goers that drop by the “Call Okie” booth . The visitors will hopefully walk away with a better understanding of how important it is to “Call Before you Dig!



**Before you  
start your  
excavation  
Call Okie 48  
hours  
before you  
dig...it's the  
Law!**

**South DPC  
November Activities**

- 11/2 OSC Board Retreat
- 11/6 OSC/OKDL conference  
Planning Committee Mtg
- 11/14 USIC Tulsa
- 11/15 USIC OKC
- 11/16 Call Okie Board Mtg
- 11/28 SAC Mtg Cushing

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***To Provide quality underground damage prevention and communication services in the great state of Oklahoma.***



## Excavator Meetings

### Wyatt Construction Safety Meeting Fairview, OK

Call Okie and Wyatt Construction held a roundtable meeting in Fairview, OK, on October 9th, to discuss current issues regarding the Call Okie locate request process.

Wyatt Construction is a current sub-contractor for DCP Midstream and ONEOK. Wyatt is a pipeline contractor located in Ponca City, OK with locations in Fairview, Pawhuska and Waynoka. They also operate in the US for multiple pipeline owners and operators.

Call Okie representatives Leslie Carter Damage Prevention Events Coordinator and Jerry West Damage Prevention Manager attended the meeting. Rex Nichols Field Superintendent invited 25 members from their engineering, locating, safety, office and field departments to the meeting.

Jerry West presented a brief overview of the One-Call process discussing the benefits of using the web-ticket process and the other new services that Call Okie provides. Information was shared regarding industry "best practices" to complete projects safely and efficiently.

### Kelchner Alva, OK

Anthony Marks, Project Engineer requested a meeting October 11<sup>th</sup> with Call Okie to discuss the Oklahoma law and process. Brian Lewellen, KanOkla Engineer, was present to discuss survey request and spatial features. Jerry West presented a brief presentation on the benefits of the new one-call features and establishing polygons for existing facilities.

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Kelchner is providing services for Chesapeake and ONEOK. Serving NW Oklahoma and Southern Kansas, our Alva, OK operations are setting the standard for the Mississippi Lime Play. Multiple projects including saltwater piping and pad construction are underway.