

The Scoop on Damage Prevention



December 2011



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New for 2012... Taking the Damage Prevention Message to the Public Works and Excavators

The Northern and Southern Damage Prevention Team are excited about the Damage Prevention Program for 2012. Call Okie and the Damage Prevention Councils are partnering with local underground facility companies to sponsor a Public Works Employee Safety Program for all **Municipalities** and **Public Works Employees**.

The program is very similar to the successful 2011 County Employee Safety programs which reached over 1000 county commis-

sioners, equipment operators and their employees. *The programs will be offered during the months of February thru May.* Attendees will have an increased awareness of underground facility dangers that exist and the importance of using the State's One-Call notification system.

Get Informed!

Attending these programs will educate decision making personnel and employees on how to avoid costly

mistakes when excavating near underground facilities. Call Okie will explain the key steps and identify the common mistakes associated with every day excavations.

Attendees will learn:

- When to Call*
- Types of Tickets*
- Dealing with accident investigations*
- What is Dial 811*

Upcoming February Meetings

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| February 1st Stephens County County Fairgrounds 2002 S 13th St Duncan | February 15th City of Elk City Civic Center, 1016 Airport Ind. Rd. Elk City | February, 29th City of Stillwater Community Center 315 W 8th St Stillwater |
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COMING SOON!!

Mark your Calendar for *The Oklahoma Damage Prevention Summit*

October 1-3, 2012
Embassy Suites Norman-Hotel and Conference Center
Norman, Oklahoma

Interested in more information about attendees, workshops, exhibitors, sponsorship, etc. Visit the web site below.

<http://www.oklahoma.damagepreventionsummit.com/>



Northern Division Activities

Red Carpet Green Frontier

December

12/07 - Green Country Damage Prevention Council
Sapulpa, OK

12/14 - Red Carpet Damage Prevention Council,
Enid, OK

***“Try not to
become a man
of success.
Rather become a
man of value”
Albert Einstein***

Tulsa Farm Show December 8th thru 10th Quick Trip Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Tulsa Farm is a three day event with more than 300 exhibitors and over 20,000 in attendance. This is a big opportunity for the exhibitors to showcase their products. They displayed their products and services in the areas of cattle farming and agriculture. The event is useful for the old as well as the new farmers. Each and every information and service related to farming and cattle farming was provided to the visitors. The event is beneficial for both the exhibitors as well as the visitors.

Agriculture And Cattle Farmers Are The Prime Visitors Expected. The Exhibitors Are Carefully Selected By The Organizers. Apart From The Existing Farmers, Anyone Who Wants To Attain Farming As His Profession Can Also Be A Part Of The Show. This Is A Good Opportunity For The Visitors As Well As The Exhibitors Of The Show.



Upcoming Events January 2012

January 4th - APWA - Safety Training
January 13th & 14th - KNID Agrifest - Enid

Mark Your Calendar Public Education Damage Prevention Council

**Next Meeting
January 17, 2012
8 AM**

Call Okie Office
2831 NW 59th St
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Southern Division Activities

Arbuckle Great Plains Kiamichi
December

City of Moore

Richard LeGrande is the new Loss Control Officer for Risk management. Robert coordinated a meeting to discuss One-Call law and Call Okie operations. Robert also requested future assistance with safety training for the City of Moore Public Works.

Join the Damage Prevention Council in 2012

Call Okie not only provides the communication link between the excavator and the utility owner / operator, but also must promote the damage prevention message. Call Okie has six regional Damage Prevention Councils geographically organized the same as the six tourism "countries" in the state.

The north part consists of Green, Frontier, and Red Carpet countries and the south part is Kiamichi, Arbuckle and Great Plains countries. Members of the DPCs are volunteers from stakeholders in that region. Stakeholders could be member of Call Okie, contractors, professional excavators, locating professionals, or any advocate of the damage prevention message.

The goals for these council meetings are to minimize damages to under-

ground facilities and protect the property, environment and the safety of the general public.

Dialing 811 to locate underground facilities before you dig is the first step to damage prevention. Excavation safety can be a complex process requiring communication and cooperation between everyone involved in the excavation. It is important to be committed to safety and to the prevention and elimination of damages. Encouraging people like you to join a DPC can help us spread the message to ensure everyone digs safely.

What are you waiting for.....contact the Damage Prevention Department today to reserve your spot on a DPC and be a part of the fun?

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

Upcoming Events January 2012

January 5, 2012 - USIC mtg in OKC

January 31, 2012 - Public Works Seminar , Francis Tuttle OKC

Call Okie Before
You Dig...Dial 811

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"Call Before You Dig"

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



Our Mission

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

Surviving the Cold Weather

Prolonged exposure to low temperatures, wind and/or moisture can result in cold-related injury from frostbite and hypothermia. Here are some suggestions on how to keep warm and avoid frostbite and hypothermia.

Dress properly

Wear several layers of loose-fitting clothing to insulate your body by trapping warm, dry air inside. Loosely woven cotton and wool clothes best trap air and resist dampness. The head and neck lose heat faster than any other part of the body. Your cheeks, ears and nose are the most prone to frostbite. Wear a hat, scarf and turtleneck sweater to protect these areas.

Frostbite: What to look for

The extent of frostbite is difficult to judge until hours after thawing. There are two classifications of frostbite:

Superficial frostbite is characterized by white, waxy or grayish-yellow patches on the affected areas. The skin feels cold and numb. The skin surface feels stiff and underlying tissue feels soft when depressed.

Deep frostbite is characterized by waxy and pale skin. The affected parts feel cold, hard, and solid and cannot be depressed. Large blisters may appear after rewarming.

What to do

- Get the victim out of the cold and to a warm place immediately.
- Remove any constrictive clothing items that could impair circulation.
- If you notice signs of frostbite, seek medical attention immediately.
- Place dry, sterile gauze between toes and fingers to absorb moisture and to keep them from sticking together.
- Slightly elevate the affected part to reduce pain and swelling.
- If you are more than one hour from a medical facility and you have warm water, place the frostbitten part in the water (102 to 106 degrees Fahrenheit). If you do not have a thermometer, test the water first to see if it is warm, not hot. Rewarming usually takes 20 to 40 minutes or until tissues soften.

What not to do

- Do not use water hotter than 106 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Do not use water colder than 100 degrees Fahrenheit since it will not thaw frostbite quickly enough.
- Do not rub or massage the frostbite area.
- Do not rub with ice or snow.