

The Scoop on Damage Prevention



Volume 1, Issue 1

January 2012

Oklahoma One-Call System, Inc.

Public WorksThe Focus for 2012

February 1, 2012 the Damage Prevention Team of Brenda Hoefar, and Jerry West will be in Duncan Oklahoma for their first training event of 2012.

Stephens County Commissioners requested the Call Okie Damage Prevention Team for a safety training event stating how important it is for every employee to know the laws and procedures concerning "Safe Digging Practices."

Call Okie's Damage Prevention's focus in 2012 will be "excavator responsibility."

Anyone being paid to move dirt in the state of Oklahoma is required by law to call the state's notification system 48 business hours before digging begins. 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 and Jerry will again travel the state speaking to public works employees, county employees, contractors, excavators or anyone who needs a safety class or a guest speaker.

Getting the "Dig Safely" message to as many people in Oklahoma as possible is very important for keeping the people and the underground facilities in the State of Oklahoma Safe.

For meeting locations, please check out our website www.callokie.com

COMING SOON!! Mark Your Calendar

The Oklahoma Damage Prevention Summit October 1-3, 2012

Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center in Norman, Oklahoma.
Interested in more information about attendees, workshops, exhibitors, sponsorship, etc. Visit the web site below.

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



Inside this issue:

South Damage Prevention Report	2
PEDPC Meeting Schedule	2
February Safety Training Dates	2
North Damage Prevention Report	3
PEDPC Next Meeting	3
New 2012 Excavator Ticket Mgt Tools	4
Upcoming Annual Meeting	4

Special points of interest:

- February Safety Training Dates
- New 2012 Excavator Ticket Management Tools

North Division

Red Carpet Green Country Frontier

February Training Dates

February 1st Stephens County Fairgrounds Duncan, OK

February 15th Elk City Civic Center Elk City, OK

February 16th Chickasha Public Works Dept. , Chickasha, OK

February 22nd Frisco Center Clinton, OK

February 23rd Pioneer Room Woodward, OK

February 29th Community Center Stillwater, OK

All meetings begin at 10:30 am - lunch is provided

Only a few days into the new year and Brenda Hoefar the North Division Damage Prevention Manger has been busy. On **January 4th** she was the luncheon speaker at the **Tulsa Municipal League** sharing with the attendees the importance of "call before you dig". She also encouraged them each to have a safety training session for there employees.



Red Carpet DPC participated in the KNID 2012 Agrifest in Enid. This is one of the most popular farm shows in the region. Move than 45,000 people attended the shows this year at the Chisholm Trail Expo Center.

North DPC February Activities

February 1st - Stephens County Safety Meeting in Duncan.

February 16th - City of Chickasha Safety Mtg at the Public Works Dept.

February 23rd - City of Woodward Safety Mtg at the Pioneer Room.

February 2nd - USIC Luncheon in OKC.

February 17th & 18th American Farmers & Ranchers Trade show Embassy Suites in Norman.

February 29th - City of Stillwater at the Community Center

February 8th - Linn Energy Safety Training in Sapulpa.

February 15th - City of Elk City Safety Mtg, Elk City Civic Center.

February 22nd - City of Clinton Safety Mtg at the Frisco Center.

Public Education Damage Prevention Council



Next Meeting

March 14th, 2012

10AM

Call Okie Office

2831 NW 59th St, OKC, OK 73112

“SPEAK OUT FOR WORKPLACE SAFETY”

The Central Oklahoma Workforce Investment Board (COWIB) is the governing body of the Central Oklahoma Workforce Investment Area. COWIB has 40 plus volunteer members, the majority of which are leaders from the business community in Central Oklahoma. They recognize the need to align and leverage the limited resources we have to make our workforce system more demand-driven and efficient. Doug MacMillan, Executive Director of Oklahoma One Call Systems, Inc. Is an active member of the COWIB.

During a recent meeting Doug heard about the “Speak Out for Workplace Safety” from COWIB member Lester Claravall,

Labor Compliance Officer & Child Labor Specialist for Oklahoma Department of Labor (OKDL). Lester shared “The Oklahoma Department of Labor is hoisting its first annual “Youth Employment Law Awareness” video contest to motivate students to take interest in the labor laws that affect them. The videos will then be used to reach out to their peers and teach about job safety.”

The Call Okie Damage Prevention Department is excited about the opportunity to team up with the OKDL to educate the youth workforce in Oklahoma about protecting the environment, preventing injuries and eliminating damages to underground facilities.

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

Francis Tuttle Center for Municipal Excellence

The Center for Municipal Excellence campus is located in Edmond, Oklahoma and was constructed as part of the Cross Timbers Municipal Complex in 2010. The Center was formed to meet the specific training needs of municipal workers in towns and cities across the state. Training focuses on systematic work practices and refining skill sets relevant to municipal operations with an emphasis on safety; the programs are in partnership with local Technology Centers.

Jerry West presented a 4-hour workshop for 14 public works employees representing the

cities of Edmond, Medford, Mustang and Sand Springs. The work shop covered Call Okie operations, ticket types, excavator responsibilities and utility line locating and marking. Russell Reeves, USIC Western Oklahoma General Manager, Spencer White, USIC Claims Manager, and Eddie Williams Training Specialist presented a 1 hour presentation addressing history of USIC and steps to improving locate requests and accident investigations. The program ended with a hand on demonstration addressing locating/markings issues.



South DPC February Activities

February 1st - Stephens County Safety Program

February 2nd - USIC OKC

February 3rd - OSC Board Development Committee in OKC

February 9th - Linn Energy Safety Mtg

February 15th - Elk City Safety Mtg

February 16th - Chickasha Safety Mtg

February 17th - OSC Bod Mtg in Tulsa

February 22nd - Clinton Safety Mtg

February 23rd - OSU Excavation Safety Workshop in Altus

February 29th - Stillwater Safety Mtg

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

Call Okie Before You Dig...Dial 811

Oklahoma One-Call System, Inc.



2831 NW 59th St
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Phone: 800-522-6543
Fax: 405-840-9685 ext. 7205
E-mail: lcarter@callokie.com

North Damage Prevention Manager - Brenda Hoefar
Phone: 405-840-9955 ext. 7254
E-mail: bhoefar@callokie.com

South Damage Prevention Manager - Jerry West
Phone: 405-840-9955 ext. 7241
E-mail: jwest@callokie.com

www.callokie.com

NEW ADDED FEATURES IN SPRING 2012

Excavators will be able to login to callokie.com and use their ticket number given to them by Call Okie to lookup any active locate requests they have placed. This will give them the opportunity to manage their tickets, re-search ticket information and make responsible update requests.

Our Mission

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



Call Okie Annual Meeting March 28th, 2012 Devon Boathouse, Oklahoma City, OK

Join us for our 2012 Annual Meeting of our Members. Free training on our new web services including ticket and asset management, excavator ticket lookup and our new Korweb system.

FREE Breakfast and Lunch!