The Scoop on Damage Prevention

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2012 Safety Training Update

Focusing on Public Works/Municipal workers this year, the statewide Safety Programs are held to increase awareness of the underground facility dangers that exist and to encourage use of the State's One-Call notification system.

Attendees receive a FREE catered lunch and have an opportunity to meet and visit with the underground facility representatives. Every attendee will also receive free gifts, door prizes and be registered for a \$1,000 gift card that will be given away at the end of our training year. By the end of April the damage prevention message has been delivered at 14 safety meetings to 561 Public Works/Municipal works and County Commissioners and their employees.



Durant Area April 4th

City of Ada April 5th

City of Dewey and Washington County March 13th

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

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Special points of interest:

- Webinar training summer of 2012
- Arbor Day

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North Division Red Carpet Green Country Frontier April Activities



Frontier DPC has been busy this month. It began on April 6th & 7th at the 23rd Annual Stillwater Home & Garden Show held at the Payne Coun-

ty Expo Center. The show offers Stillwater residents a chance to brush up on their home improvement skills. Over 80 exhibitors participated and over 3,500 people attended. Thank you to Jessica Jackson of Plains Pipeline for volunteering to work the booth.

On April 19th thru 21st at the State Fairgrounds in Oklahoma City the Southern Plains Farm Show was held. With over 290 Exhibitors and over 35,000 in attendance. Thanks to Hal Morgan of Linn Energy and Charles Columbus of Chesapeake Midstream for



volunteering to work the booth.



Green County DPC supported Earth Day in Grove on April 27th. Nearly 300 third graders from

Grove Lower Elementary school came to Lendonwood Gardens for the annual Earth Day field trip.

North DPC May Activities

May 2nd - Conoco/Phillips Safety Mtg

May 7th - City of Tulsa Safety Mtg

May 9th - Damage Prevention Professional Cert. Mtg May 9th - DPC Golf Tournament May 14th - City of Tulsa Safety Mtg

May 18th - Board of Directors Mtg, Tulsa

Know what's below. Call before you dig. Damage Prevention Council

Public Education

Next Meeting

June 13, 2012

10 AM

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May Training Dates

<u>May 7th</u> City of Tulsa Water & Sewer Department Tulsa, OK

<u>May 16th</u> City of Tulsa Water & Sewer Department Tulsa, OK

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

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April Activities



The Oklahoma Rural Water Fall conference in Oklahoma City, April 16th thru 18th, invited *Jerry West* to present a break out a session regarding *Excavator Respon*-

sibilities and the NEW excavator ticket management services. Call Okie was an exhibit for this conference. The event located at the Clarion Hotel in Oklahoma City drew over 600 state wide rural water operators and owners. The ORWA attendees expressed they are pleased with the Call Okie process and their efforts to help protect the water resources in Oklahoma. Numerous operators commented how the Call Okie database department has been instrumental providing current and detailed maps of their facilities. The new maps allow the operators to respond to locates request with increased accuracy in locating.

Call Okie participated in the American Public Works/ Oklahoma Water Environment Association conference April 30 thru May 2nd at the Renaissance Conference Center in Tulsa. The event included over 400 decision makers from local government agencies, engineering and consulting firms and public works employees/ contractors in the pre-design and excavation process for projects.



Great Plains Country participated in The Clinton Chamber of Commerce Home and Garden show located at the Frisco Conference Center on April 20th thru 22nd. The event attracted over 2000 homeowners/farmers. The Call Okie volunteers were Catreana McMullen Chesapeake Mid-Stream OKC, Keith Thiessen, Nick Adkinson, Drew lacy and Alex Fuentez ONG Clinton.

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

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

South DPC May Activities

April 30th thru May 2nd - APWA Conference, Tulsa

May 7th - City of Tulsa Safety Mtg

May 9th - USIC Mtg, OKC

May 16th - Department of Labor, State Capitol

May 17th - City of Tulsa Safety Mtg

May 18th - Board of Directors Mtg, Tulsa

May 24th - Arbuckle DPC Mtg, Durant

May 25th - OSU Horticultural Conference, Stillwater

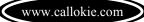
May 30th thru June 2nd Magnolia Festival, Durant



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Our Mission

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

WEBINAR TRAINING SUMMER 2012

In the Spring of 2012 a new feature was introduced for Excavators to the Call Okie web site; ticket lookup and enhanced web ticket entry. Webinars will be offered at various times during the summer for a better understanding in how to use the new added features, enhanced web tickets and ticket lookup.



Call Okie partners with Chesapeake and Ditch Witch to sponsor Arbor day events

Arbor Day' (from the Latin arbor, meaning tree) is a holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant and care for trees. It originated in Nebraska City, Nebraska, United States by J. Sterling Morton. The first Arbor Day was held on April 10, 1872, and an estimated one million trees were planted that day.

We did not plant one million trees, says Brenda Hoefar who helped with several of the Arbor day events, but we did educate several hundred elementary students on the importance of calling 811 before doing any digging (aka planting trees).

Chesapeake, Call Okie, and Ditch Witch, as well as several first responder and emergency management organizations traveled to Waynoka, KIPP Elementary in Tulsa, Horace Mann Elementary in OKC and West Elementary in Weatherford to participate in Arbor Day events. OKIE the mascot was a big hit at all the events and he was very thankful it was not too terribly hot during these important and enjoyable events.

Getting the dig safely message to grade schools is a good plan for future awareness and safety. As these elementary students reach adulthood they will have safety in mind when it comes to any project they might undertake.





