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Life-Saving Commitments

ACIG MISSION STATEMENT: Saving lives, preventing injuries, and reducing the overall cost of risk for our Members.

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Featured Commitment



#1 Struck-By Mobile Equipment

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Upcoming Safety Meetings



Date	Event	Location
March 7-8, 2023	Heavy Civil Safety Peer Group Meeting	Little Rock, AR
May 23-24, 2023	General Building Safety Peer Group Meeting	Las Vegas, NV
May 2023	High-Impact Electrical Workshop	Baton Rouge, LA
May 2023	Industrial Safety Peer Group Meeting	Baton Rouge, LA

Safety Lessons Learned

To read any previous ACIG Lessons Learned Bulletins, click [here](#).

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Quality Insights Newsletter (QIN)

To read the latest edition of ACIG's Quality Insights Network, click [here](#).

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Hurricane Clean-Up



The Danella Storm Team was part of the deployment to Florida's Sanibel Island in October as part of restoration efforts after Hurricane Ian. The team was selected as one of three contractors to be part of the causeway reopening.

Ajax Paving Industries of Florida was deployed to make repairs to the hurricane-ravaged Sanibel Causeway Bridge. Ajax was part of the progressive design-build contracts that would cover both the emergency and permanent repair of the causeway. Using four roadway crews, they mobilized within 16 hours and paved 4,000 tons in two days.

Team Fishel was active in restoring power following Hurricane Ian, not only as a contractor, but also for their Teammates, families, friends, and the communities directly impacted by its wrath. This devastation affected many and they were committed to the efforts of getting every resident and business back online as quickly as possible.

Phillips & Jordan (P&J) has hauled 1.4 million cubic yards of hurricane debris following Hurricane Ian and cut 28,000 hazardous leaning trees and hanging limbs across 12 counties in Florida. They continue to support debris removal efforts and the communities affected by the disaster.

Sukut Wins Award of Merit



Sukut's 2020 Northern Branch Fire Debris and Hazardous Tree Removal project has been selected for ENR California's 2022 Regional Best Project Winner in Northern California, Award of Merit – Water/Environment category. The team contributed to the safe removal of approximately 380,000 tons of metal, concrete, ash, and contaminated soil from 2,100 parcels. In addition, 7,000 burnt vehicles were removed and recycled along with 68,000 hazard trees that were sent to sawmills and biomass facilities.

We would love to feature your company's good news as a Member Spotlight! Did someone recently earn a safety certification or promotion? Please send any awards, achievements, endeavors, community involvement, etc. to [Alexa Diaz de Leon at alexa.diazdeleon@acig.com](mailto:alexa.diazdeleon@acig.com).

D.H. Griffin Participated in Safe + Sound Week



D.H. Griffin enjoyed the celebration of “What is Your Why” during Safe + Sound Week 2022. They reflected on their Focus Four, which is to prevent slips/trips, falls, cuts, and caught-between incidents, and hazard identification. We can all do our part to arrive home safe and sound when the day is done.

Ajax Paving Safety Day



On Saturday, January 7, 2023, Ajax Paving Industries of Florida’s Women Raising the Bar program participated in a partnership with Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida and held a special event for girls to earn the Rocks to Roads patch at Ajax’s Venice Asphalt Plant. The Rocks to Roads patch program, developed by the Women Raising the Bar Committee at Ajax, provides girls in sixth through twelfth grade an opportunity to learn more about the asphalt industry and the career opportunities it holds for women. To read more about the event and activities, click [here](#).

Certification Corner

Graniterock’s Daisy Kwan, Safety Engineer, and LeChase’s Wayne Durand, Regional Safety Director, both earned their Certified Safety Professional (CSP) designation. Congratulations Daisy and Wayne!



ACIG at IRMI and AGC



Congratulations to two of ACIG’s very own, Carl Heinlein and Rob Berryman, on receiving great reviews on their presentations at the 2022 IRMI Construction Risk Conference. Carl presented on Fleet Risk Management Strategies, and Rob presented on A Comprehensive Approach to Preventing Serious Injuries & Fatalities. Carl and Rob have both presented at IRMI CRC on multiple occasions.



An additional congratulations to ACIG’s Mike Dickerson, who presented on SIF Precursors at AGC’s Construction Safety and Health Conference in New Orleans this month. This was his first time to present for AGC. He will also be presenting SIF Precursors at the AGC Convention in March. Mike’s commentary was featured in a recent *Construction Dive* [article](#).



We are very proud of their accomplishments!

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[Brainstorm Ergonomic Solutions Tool \(BEST\)](#)
Washington State Department of Labor & Industries

[Combating Fatigue Presentation](#)
NSC Transportation Division

[Data Bulletin: Electrical Hazards](#)
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[STCKY Bit: Lifting Hardware](#)
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[Study: Industrial Helmet Injury Protection from Falls](#)
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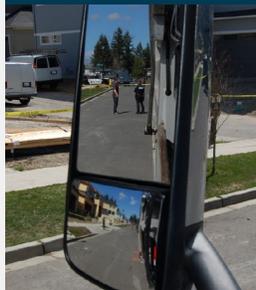
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National Safety Council

Suicide Prevention Awareness by Rick Reams

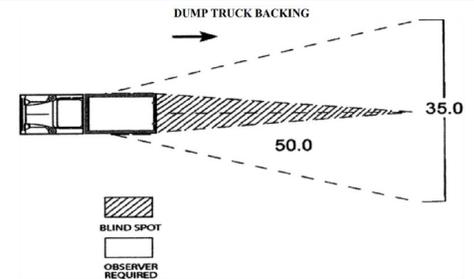
NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

September was National Suicide Prevention Month, which means many organizations and industries placed a special emphasis on mental wellbeing and suicide prevention. Suicide is a national crisis with roughly 46,000 deaths by suicide per year. That is 1 death every 11 minutes in the United States. Check out [Suicide Prevention Awareness in the Construction Industry](#), written by Rick Reams, Murphy Company, for additional information.

Fatality Lessons Learned



NOTE:
 The following incident is not an ACIG Member.



On December 5, 2022, a 60-year-old construction site superintendent died when a dump truck backing up ran over him. He had 40 years of experience and worked for a new single-family housing construction contractor.

Best Practices

General contractors at multi-employer job sites should:

- Implement Internal Traffic Control Plans (ITCPs) and communicate to all crews as the plan changes.
- Continuously assess the hazards of vehicles to workers on foot and ensure hazards are corrected.
- Require workers to wear ANSI Class 2 high-visibility garments, such as vests, when exposed to vehicular traffic.

Employers who use dump trucks should:

- Consider installing pedestrian proximity detection systems on trucks to alert drivers of workers on foot.
- Train drivers that they must use a signaler or backup camera when backing near workers on foot.
- Create and enforce policies that:
 - Drivers establish and maintain visual contact with workers on foot. When visual contact is lost, drivers should stop and not resume movement until visual contact is re-established.
 - Workers on foot stay out of backing zones unless trained and acting as an observer signaling the driver.

To view the full fatality alert, please click [here](#).

Safety Weeks



Date/Event

April 17-21, 2023

[National Work Zone Awareness Week](#)

May 1-5, 2023

[Construction Safety Week](#)



May 1, 2023



[National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction](#)

Fall Protection Equipment Shortage

The global supply chain constraints/issues continue to impact our industry including fall protection equipment, specifically Self-Retracting Devices (SRDs). Lead times on these products have extended out to 250 days +/- in many parts of the country.

The new standard on SRDs will be effective August 1, 2023 (ANSI/ASSP Z359.14). Some manufacturers will not be capable of being fully compliant with the new standards (unless an extension is granted). This, in turn, could potentially mean fewer compliant products available for purchase.

ACIG suggests you schedule time with your manufacturers in order to fully understand their constraints and positioning in the market and how best they can support your short-and long-term purchasing efforts.

Keystone Identification: Remember to always elevate your fall protection anchorages.

ACIG Safety/Claims Overview



ACIG's Safety/Claims Workshop was held in San Diego, CA on September 15-16, 2022. The day before the Workshop, the Industrial, Heavy Civil, and General Building Safety Peer Groups met to network and continue discussions on what is working, challenges, new technologies, and other safety initiatives.

This year, we hosted 162 Member attendees and 41 guests! The speakers presented on a number of emerging industry trends and topics including Hard Hats to Helmets, Mental Health and Wellness, Internal Traffic Control Planning, SIF Precursors, Critical Safety Controls for Electrical Work, Risk Transfer, Near Miss/Good Catch Updates, and Claims Hot Topics. Presenters consisted of outside subject matter experts, Member panels, and ACIG staff.

Of special mention was the Mental Health and Wellbeing session. A special thank you to Brandon Anderson (AGC of MO) and John Chriswell (Hoffman) for speaking on their involvement and experiences with mental health and wellness initiatives for our beloved industry. This discussion was incredibly important, evoking emotion and sparking many questions from the attendees. We intend to continue the conversation on how we can move the needle on mental health and wellness within our organizations.

As a reminder, presentations and resources from the Workshop are available [here](#) on ASK. Contact [Ask Support](#) for login assistance.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the 2023 Safety/Claims Workshop in San Antonio, TX (September 14-15)!



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