

Highway Happenings

Summer 2017



Mission Statement: "The AGC of South Dakota and its members promote skill, responsibility and integrity through construction and services which enhance the quality of life for all who live, work or travel in South Dakota."

2017 CONSTRUCTION AWARENESS DAYS

Construction Awareness Days 2017 will be taking place in our locations this year; in Pierre at the T.F. Riggs High School on Wednesday, September 27th, in Sioux Falls at CTE Academy on Wednesday, October 4th, in Rapid City at Western Dakota Tech. on Tuesday, October 17th, and in Mitchell at Mitchel Technical Institute on Wednesday, November 8th!!

Construction Awareness Days brings area students together to learn more about the different & exciting careers in construction and expose them to hands-on construction skills. The goal is to spark an interest in a construction related career, in as many students as possible, and expose them to the industry. Above highlighting just the skills, CAD also highlights members in the industry who get to share their talents with prospective students who may be looking for a career in construction.

CAD is fully funded by donations & sponsorships and the success of this event is dependent upon those dedicated individuals who volunteer time & equipment. If your company is interested in being a part of one of the events, please see the enclosed sponsorship insert or email dustin@sdagc.org for more information!!



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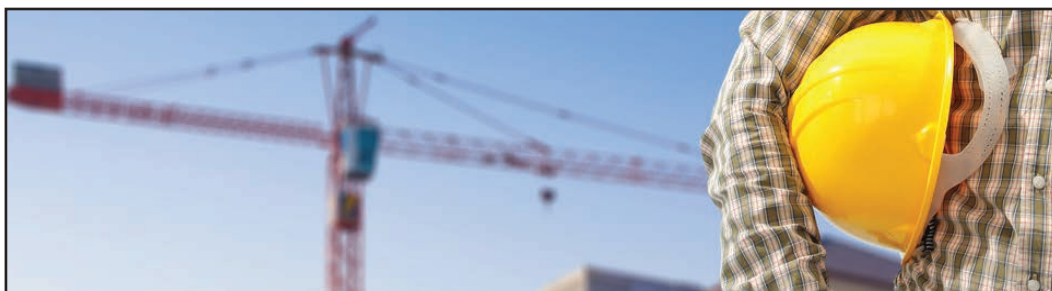
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From the President:

John Morris, Morris, Inc.

Greetings again to my fellow AGC Members!



I hope everybody is having a safe and productive construction season. It is hard to believe that we are over halfway through the year already. Time flies when you are having fun. Speaking of fun, I had a lot of fun taking part in this year's golf events located in Sioux Falls and Rapid City. Both events had great turnout and it is always nice to take a short break from the busy season while being able to catchup with other AGC Members. This year's fishing tournament was also a great time with great turnout. We couldn't have asked for better weather but I would've begged for a few bigger fish to be on the end of my line. I want to give the AGC Staff and the sponsors a huge Thank You for making these events such a success. Great job! I hope all of you are able to take part in these events and the upcoming social events in the future.

Even with the busy construction season in full swing, there have been many staff and committee members working behind the scenes focusing on several different areas of our Strategic Plan. There are several opportunities to get involved in these committees which are the heartbeat of our association. Please reach out to any staff member with any questions or how to get involved. This winter we will be checking items off of our list and continually looking for ways to improve our industry and association. There will be several opportunities to participate in these committees.

Please be watching for the upcoming Construction Awareness Days (CAD) that will be taking place in several different locations around the state that will give you the opportunity to be involved in a great event through either volunteering or sponsorship. These events allow all of us to showcase the many available career opportunities in our industry while having a great time interacting with High School students. This is always one of my favorite events to be involved in and if you haven't been involved with them in the past I know you would enjoy it as much as I do. Please look for the details of these events in this issue.

I also want to take this opportunity to welcome the newest AGC members listed on the next page. It is great to have them part of our great association. Please be sure to welcome them when you have the opportunity.

I wish you all the best of luck in the final push of the Construction Season.

Stay safe and enjoy the ride.



John Morris
2017 AGC of SD
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Fringe Benefits Design Inc. is the administrator for the AGC of South Dakota- sponsored 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan. They provide all contractors and associate members the education, investments, documents and other administrative needs to implement a qualified retirement plan. Contact Fringe Benefits Design, Inc. for more information at 605-331-5082.



LEGAL COUNSEL

The AGC of South Dakota, HHU Chapter has an attorney, Jason Smiley, on retainer to assist members and staff with construction-related legal questions. Member firms may contact Jason directly at 605-342-1078 or by email JSmiley@gpnalaw.com.



DENTAL PROGRAM

The AGC of South Dakota has a dental insurance program available to in-state member firms. For more information or to discuss eligibility requirements, please contact the Delta Dental office at 605-224-7345 or by email sales@deltadental.com.

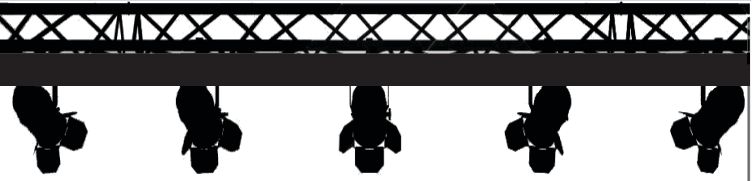


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AGC of SD "IN THE NEWS"

This section of the bulletin highlights AGC of SD Members and/or Staff who have been quoted, interviewed, published, etc. by the media recently. If you are aware of AGC of SD "In the News" items, please forward them to the AGC Office.

April 2017 SDDOT, Connecting the DOT's:
Muth Electric, Commercial Asphalt, Bowes Construction, Traffic Solutions and **DGR Engineering** mentioned in article titled *"How Do I Get To The Corn Palace?"*.



May/June 2017 AGC Constructor Magazine: **Mark Knight, Knight Construction Services** mentioned in article titled *"AGC Deals Winning Hand in Vegas"*.

May/June 2017 AGC Constructor Magazine: **Mark Knight, Knight Construction Services** pictured and mentioned in article titled *"Too Many Gifts"*.

May/June 2017 SDDOT, Connecting the DOT's:
Dustin Baertsch, AGC of SD Workforce Development Coordinator mentioned in article titled *"Training Program Update"*.



Spring/Summer 2017 Make-A-Wish, Wishful Thanking:
Several AGC Members and the **AGC of SD HHU Chapter** recognized in the *"Driving for Dreams"* section.

June 7-13, 2017 Sioux Falls Business Journal:
Sean Mayer, Holmes Murphy pictured and featured in article titled *"The First Aid Kit You Need For Hiring"*.



June 28-July 4, 2017 Sioux Falls Business Journal:
Torey Koch, Alex Wiggs, Zach Apland, Adam Smith and Scott Kuhnert, Bierschbach Equipment & Supply recognized in *"Movers & Shakers"* section.



June 28-July 4, 2017 Sioux Falls Business Journal:
AGC HHU Chapter Officers & New Board Members recognized in *"Movers & Shakers"* section.



June 28-July 4, 2017 Sioux Falls Business Journal:
Mainline Contracting, D&G Concrete Construction, Knife River, Bob Matzke of Concrete Materials, Rob Everist of LG Everist and Derek Suhr of Quinn Construction recognized as award winners in *"Movers & Shakers"* section.



June 30, 2017 Argus Leader: **Tom Kelley, Gage Brothers** quoted in article titled *"Gage Brothers Awarded University of Iowa Stadium Contract"*.



July 2017 Roads & Bridges: **Terex Bid-Well** pictured in article titled *"Clutch Performance"*.



July 29, 2017 Construction Equipment Guide: **Ryan Smith, Trail King** pictured and featured in article titled *"Trail King Welcomes Ryan Smith as District Sales Manager"*.



July 10, 2017 Argus Leader:
Guillermo Escalante, GCC of America pictured and featured; **Gage Brothers** and **BX Civil & Construction** mentioned in article titled *"We Love It Hear!"*.



July 11, 2017 Argus Leader: **Tom Kelley, Gage Brothers** quoted in article titled *"Gage Brothers to Build \$40 Plant"*.



August 12, 2017 Construction Equipment Guide:
Sandra Jordan, HD Supply mentioned in article titled *"Attendees Have a Blast at LICA Midwest Expo, Field Day"*.



Condolences

In Memory of Hilda Friessen

With deepest regrets we advise you of the death of Hilda Friessen of Friessen Construction, Sioux Falls, SD. Hilda passed away Saturday, May 27th at the age of 87.

In Memory of Greg Lind

With deepest regrets we advise you of the death of Gregory "Greg" Lind, co-owner of Lind-Exco, Inc., Rapid City, SD. Greg passed away Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at the University of Colorado Hospital in Aurora, CO, he was 63.

Member News

Welcome New Members!!

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A Note from Associate Division President, Rick Langguth:

One of the priority Strategic Goals for the HHU Associate Division is new member recruitment. Our targets for 2017 are 5 new Contractor and 10 new Associate members. Currently we are at 3 new Contractor and 4 new Associate members. We need to continue, and improve, our recruitment effort seeking new members.

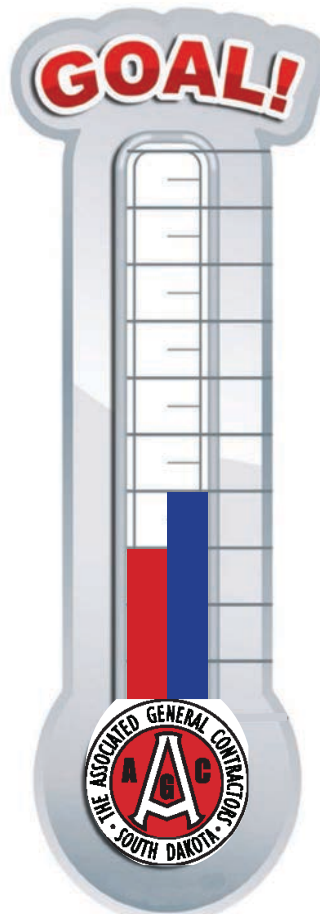
I'm asking all members to please make a personal commitment to actively recruit a new member! Our fiscal year ends in October, and we would like to complete this task and report our success to the main board at this time.

I believe Sponsoring a new member is more than just recruiting a business to sign up. (our cost for the Associate Division is only \$375.00/year.) A sponsor should continue to develop their new business in the opportunities we have as an association! Please get out and sponsor and report your success to the AGC office!! Thank you in advance!

Recruitment Goals:

- 5 Contractors
- 10 Associates

2017 MEMBERSHIP
recruitment
Tracker!



AGC CALENDAR of Events

August 23, 2017 - SDDENR Conference Call
August 24, 2017 - SD Trans. Commission Mtg. - Pierre
August 30, 2017 - 2018 Convention Planning Mtg. - Rapid City
September 4, 2017 - Labor Day Holiday - AGC Office Closed
September 6, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting
September 12, 2017 - Joint Chapters Assoc. Conf. Call
Sept. 13-14, 2017 - AGC Const. Enviro.Conf. - Crystal City, VA
September 20, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting
September 21, 2017 - Finance Committee Conf. Call
Sept. 22, 2017 - AGC Building Chap. Sporting Clays - Humboldt
Sept. 24-26, 2017 - AGC Natl. & Chapter Leaders Conf. - Wash, DC
Sept. 27, 2017 - Construction Awareness Days - Pierre
Sept. 28, 2017 - SD Transportation Comm. Conf. Call
Oct. 2-4, 2017 - AGC Adv. Safety Mgmt. Training - Arlington, VA
October 3, 2017 - Public Relations Committee Mtg. - Sioux Falls
October 4, 2017 - Construction Awareness Days - Sioux Falls
October 4, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting
Oct. 11-13, 2017 - AGC HR & Training Prof. Conf. - Phoenix, AZ
October 12, 2017 - Associate Division Board Conference Call
October 17, 2017 - Construction Awareness Days - Rapid City
October 18, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting
Oct. 24, 2017 - AGC Exec, BOD, Fall Mtg & Mixer - Rapid City
October 25, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting [SPECIAL]
October 26, 2017 - SD Trans. Comm. Meeting - Pierre
October 26, 2017 - AGC Fall Meeting & Mixer - Sioux Falls
November 1, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting
Nov. 1-3, 2017 - AGC CFMA Conference - Las Vegas, NV
Nov. 1-3, 2017 - AGC Transp. & Util. Issues Mtg. - Phoenix, AZ
Nov. 3-4, 2017 - Const. Leadership Pheasant Hunt - Pierre
November 8, 2017 - Construction Awareness Days - Mitchell
November 15, 2017 - SDDOT EBS Letting
Nov. 16-17, 2017 - AGC's CLC Dev. Conf. - Los Angeles, CA
Nov. 23-24, 2017 - Thanksgiving Holiday - AGC Office Closed

Save the Date

Dec. 6-7, 2017 - AGC Board & Strat. Plann. Mtg. - Pierre
Dec. 7-8, 2017 - Joint AGC / SDDOT Meeting - Pierre
January 15-17, 2018 - AGC/LICA State Convention - Deadwood
January 30, 2018 - AGC Annual Legislative Day - Pierre
January 9-11, 2019 - AGC/LICA State Convention - Sioux Falls

2018 State Convention

The 2018 State Convention is scheduled for January 15 - 17, 2018 at The Lodge in Deadwood, SD! The planning committee has been working diligently to bring you another successful AGC event! The line-up of speakers this year is bar-none and feature a little bit of something for everyone! Key-note speakers include Stephen Gilliland, Sydne Jacques, Tony Horton and Mark Whitacre. All of these speakers are world known and tell incredible stories. Monday night activities include a "luau" themed event featuring the annual awards night and a live band! Tuesday night will be the Installation of Officer Banquet followed by a hypnotist and casino night "on your own"! In addition, there will be several educational break-out sessions and a pre-convention safety training. Sponsor & exhibitor information will be mailed out at the beginning of October and registration will open around Thanksgiving. In the mean time, save the date! You don't want to miss the 2018 State Convention in Deadwood!!



Call for AGC Board Members

While all of you are busy wrapping up the 2017 construction season, the AGC is busy preparing for 2018. This means it's time to fill our Board of Director openings. The AGC Board is currently accepting Board of Director nominations. If you are interested in becoming a Director please contact the AGC Office or any current board member. Please remember, AGC's success largely depends on the active volunteer leadership of its members. With 2017 around the corner, please make a commitment to remain or become more active in the AGC!



2017 Jobs Bank Campaign A Success!

Earlier this spring, the AGC kicked-off our annual AGC Jobs Bank campaign. This was our second year in partnership with BirdDog HR. The 2017 campaign resulted in 354 jobs posted by 49 different member firms with OVER 16,000 jobs viewed on the jobs bank. The media campaign consisted of statewide classified advertisements and digital advertising. The media campaign ran from April 1st - July 1st. If your company is not utilizing this FREE membership benefit, email lindsay@sdagc.org today!



2017 Chapter Awards Program

Consider submitting for an AGC of South Dakota Award.

The awards are: Build South Dakota, Golden Hard Hat, Good Citizen & Construction Leadership awards.

These awards recognize both individual and company achievements, and will be presented during the 2018 State Convention in Deadwood! Additionally, companies will also be recognized during the annual Spring Membership Meetings held in March in both Rapid City & Sioux Falls. Nomination forms are available on the AGC website www.sdagc.org. Nominations are due no later than December 1, 2017.



Construction Leaders Hunt Scheduled

This year's CL Hunt is scheduled for November 3-4, 2017 at Broken Arrow Farms in Pierre. A social and dinner will be held Friday night and is open to 60 participants. Please SAVE THE DATES - more information and registration forms will be available in a few weeks.



AGC HHU Communications

In AGC's continued efforts to better communicate with our members we would like YOU to be a part of our communication process. Enclosed as an insert is our communications form. Please take a moment to review the form and include anyone in your office who should be receiving AGC's email communications. Please turn the form via email to lindsay@sdagc.org!

AGC Online Store

The AGC HHU online store has been re-stocked with ALL NEW apparel items for members to purchase! New this year - add your company logo to your apparel items along with the AGC logo! Log on to: <http://sdagc.logoshop.com> and help us brand our great association!!

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SDDOT Tentative 2018-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP)

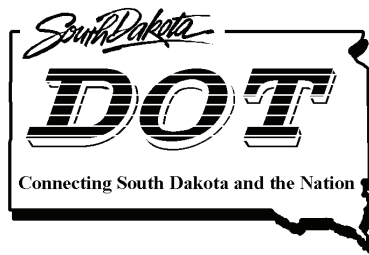
In July, the SDDOT held public meetings in Aberdeen, Mitchell, Pierre, Rapid City and via webinar to present the Tentative 2018-2021 STIP and to receive public input. The meetings began with SDDOT presentations pertaining to funding, the overall STIP development process and project updates. Key excerpts from the SDDOT presentation are shown below. Further details are available at www.sddot.com.

- The current Federal Highway Bill (FAST ACT) expires on September 30, 2020. The FAST Act provides an anticipated \$310M annually for South Dakota. These funds are generated by the Federal Motor Fuel Tax (\$0.184/gallon for gasoline and \$0.244/gallon for diesel fuel).
- South Dakota is a "donee" state, receiving back over \$2 for every \$1 paid in to the federal government. Federal funds comprise a large part (75%) of SDDOT's construction budget.
- The State Highway Trust Fund provides an anticipated \$130M annually. The main revenue sources are the State Gas Tax (\$0.28/gallon) and 4% Motor Vehicle Excise Tax.
- The Tentative 2018-2021 STIP anticipated total funding is \$474M for 2018, compared to \$443M in 2017.
- Based on the Tentative 2018-2021 STIP, bridge condition will increase very slightly but the pavement condition will decrease moderately over time.

The SD Transportation Commission will review the public comments and make changes to the STIP, if deemed necessary. The Commission will approve the final STIP at their September meeting. Once the STIP has been approved, the AGC will notify members and copies will be available on the SDDOT website.

2017 S.D. Transportation Hall of Honor Inductees Announced

Clyde Jundt from Pierre and AGC's own Mark Knight from Aberdeen have been chosen for induction into the South Dakota Transportation Hall of Honor for 2017. The purpose of the Transportation Hall of Honor is to recognize those who have made a lasting, valuable or unique contribution to South Dakota's air, highway or rail transportation system. Banquets will be held at a later date.



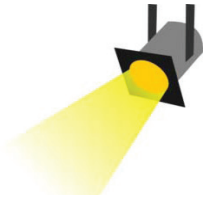
SDDOT Wage Survey

SDDOT's Initial 2017 Highway-Heavy Wage Survey results have been compiled and shared with AGC. A meeting to discuss the results and the next steps is taking place soon. All final wage survey information will be shared via the Weekly News & website once it is finalized. If you have any questions, please call the office at 605- 224-8689.



SDDOT Centennial Celebration

SDDOT celebrated a major milestone earlier this summer, 100 years of connecting South Dakota and the nation! Four open-house style events were held simultaneously on June 13th in Pierre, Rapid City, Aberdeen and Sioux Falls. The events included remarks from Gov. Dugaard, Transportation Secretary Darin Bergquist and Deputy Secretary Shawnie Rechtenbaugh from the Department of Public Safety. Congratulations SDDOT on this accomplishment!!



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Legislative News AGC Advocacy at Work for You

In addition to our gavel- to- gavel representation during the legislative session, AGC is also very active during the other months of the year. Below is a synopsis of what AGC has been doing for you this summer.



Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council

AGC is a regular participant at the meetings of this group that reviews the UI program in South Dakota and makes recommendations for improvements. We will be joined at future meetings by BX Civil & Construction's Kari Karst, who was named as a UI Advisory Council Member by Governor Dennis Daugaard. As part of an agreement on a UI bill during session, AGC asked for and received periodic reviews of the UI program and that an AGC member be appointed to the UI Council. We look forward to contractor representation on this council.

Workers' Compensation Advisory Council

AGC is also in attendance at meetings of the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council. This group, appointed by the Governor, oversees all but setting rates for workers' compensation insurance. A proposal to require workers' compensation insurance for all employers was discussed by a citizen at the last meeting. Even though no formal proposal was presented to the council, AGC is aware that this citizen would like to see penalties imposed on employers who do not carry workers' compensation. AGC will continue to watch this proposal.

Initiative and Referendum Task Force

The task force was formed as a result of legislation during the 2017 Legislative Session. Their job is to study and evaluate the constitutional amendment, initiated measure and referendum process. The panel has discussed a few pieces of draft legislation at its first four meetings. The task force will meet again soon. AGC has been watching the process closely as AGC has been very involved with constitutional and initiated measures over the years.

Government Accountability Task Force

The Government Accountability Task Force formed as a result of legislation passed during the 2017 Legislative Session. Part of the task force's focus is on political action committees. AGC has always

enjoyed an active PAC, so we have been watching the process to ensure PACs do not change.

Construction Storm Water Runoff General Permits

Every five years these permits must be updated, as required by the Clean Water Act. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has incorporated new federal effluent guidelines and other requirements and streamlined previous permit requirements into a new draft. The draft guidelines also propose that project owners pay a permit fee. The proposed fee is the result of proposed federal budget cuts to the EPA. AGC has had a preliminary meeting with DENR regarding the new permit language. We will work with them to set up opportunities for our members to learn about what's new and ask questions.

Proposed Air Quality Permit Fee Increases

DENR has also discussed with AGC their proposed fee increases for air quality permits. Their proposal would increase fees



for facilities that have a Title V air quality operating permit. The type of facilities that would be impacted by the proposed fee increases are asphalt plants, crushers, painting operations, power plants and more that currently require a Title V air quality operating permit. According to DENR, costs have increased and the current permit fee structure does not generate enough money to cover program costs. Enclosed as an insert is a summary of the proposed changes. A conference call for AGC members & DENR to discuss the fee increases will be held on Wednesday, August 23rd at 11:00CT. Call the office to RSVP!

CONPAC

Election year is just around the corner. In November of 2018, South Dakota will elect a new governor, constitutional officers and all legislative seats. The Contractors' Political Action Committee, or CONPAC, will gear up well ahead of these elections to make sure that contractor-friendly candidates are elected. When CONPAC meets, please participate. The bigger the group, the better the decision making. Make a contribution to CONPAC today and become part of the process. Email info@sdagc.org for details.



AGC Legal Minute

by: Jason Smiley, AGC Legal Counsel



Supervisory Training Program—Contract Documents

If you are unfamiliar with AGC's Supervisory Training Program, you may want to learn more about it. Recently I had the opportunity to act as the instructor for the Contract Documents portion of the

curriculum. One member from HHU and one Building chapter member participated by sending twelve employees. Participants gained an understanding of the types of issues that arise during construction projects and how the contract documents relate to those issues.

The course broadly considers issues such as scope of work, time impacts, and dispute resolution. The AGC Consensus Docs are used as a starting point to discuss these issues and to determine what the contract requires in each situation. Although, the Consensus Docs are emphasized, the issues could just as easily be examined under one of the other industry standard contracts. The issues covered are the same issues that come up every time that there is a problem on a construction project. Change orders, delays, notice requirements, and the need for proper field documentation are just some of the topics covered.



If you have employees that are new to construction supervision or that need a refresher, this course offers an excellent overview of the issues that most frequently arise and how to deal with them. What I particularly liked about the curriculum is that it does a good job of explaining why the contract requires the things that it does and the consequences that may result from failing to comply with those requirements.

It also provides a big-picture point of view that will help spot issues that may require the attention of a superior.

Although the curriculum calls for 25 hours of class time, at the request of the participants, I was able to boil the material down to about 8 hours. We covered the materials in a series of afternoon meetings of 2-3 hours per session. This truncated version and flexible schedule helped the class participants keep up with the projects they were presently working.

As hard as it is to believe, summer will be over soon. Winter is a perfect time to educate your work force. Give me a call or send me an e-mail if you would like to know more about the curriculum or want to schedule a time for this program.

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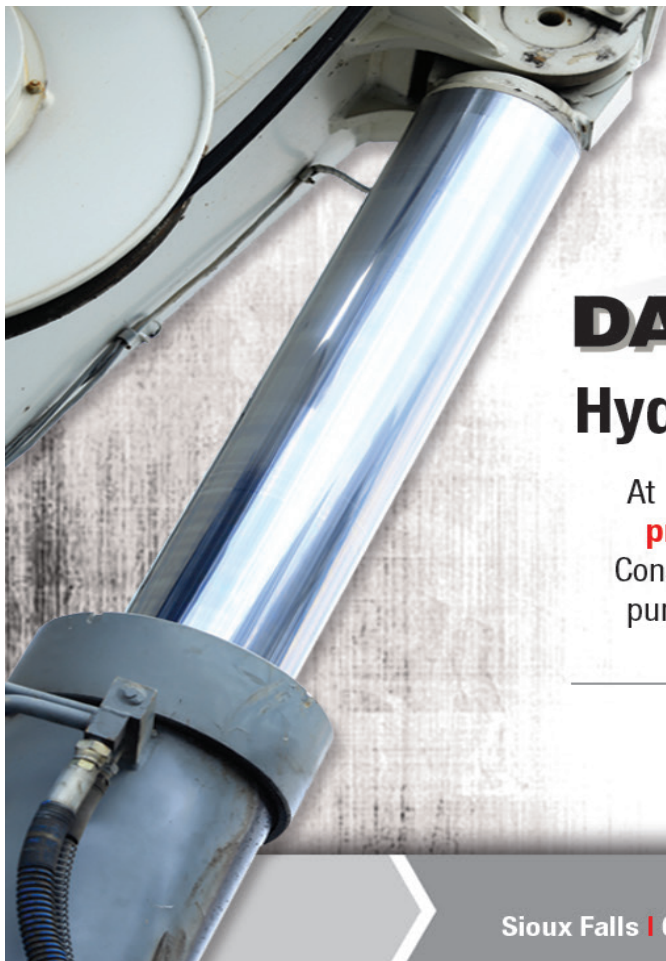
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"AGC Cares" - PROJECT REQUESTS NEEDED

In May AGC's Construction Leaders participated in an AGC Cares project at Family Park in Sioux Falls, SD. The project consisted of bringing in materials to extend their gravel walking path. Additionally, over 40 AGC members came together to serve dinner at The Banquet on July 17th in Sioux Falls. 405 dinners were served with 54 of those being to children. And finally, AGC served lunch at The Cornerstone Rescue Mission in Rapid City on August 9th. A BIG thank you goes out to all members who participated in these AGC Cares projects! If you have any projects you'd like to submit for an AGC Cares project, please email lindsay@sdagc.org.



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AGC Scrapbook - Summer 2017

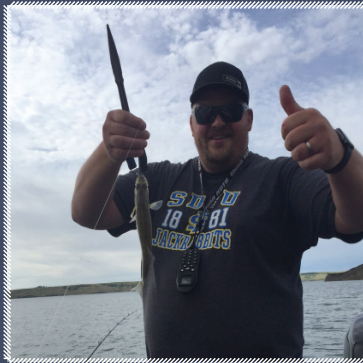


THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SUMMER OUTINGS!

Fishing Tournament - June 15 & 16th, Pierre, SD

East River Golf Tournament - July 18th, Willow Run - Sioux Falls, SD

West River Golf Tournament - August 10th, Red Rock Rapid City, SD



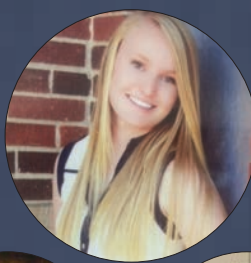
2017 Scholarship Winners Announced

Over \$30,000 awarded to South Dakota Students & \$1,000 each awarded to LATI & Sheldon, IA
Heavy Equipment Operator Programs!!

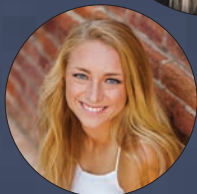
Faith Shoemaker
SDSU - 1750
Floyd Knight Memorial
Scholarship



Mindy Castle
SDSM&T - 2500
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Women in Construction Scholarship



Aaron Hoelscher
SDSM&T - 500



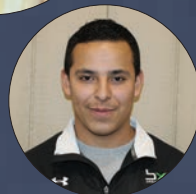
Marisa Schulz
SDSU - 500



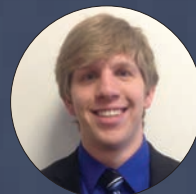
Sierra Winter
SDSU - 1500



Tristan Namminga
LATI - 1500



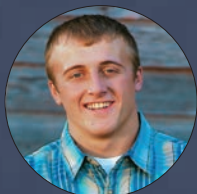
Rodrigo Ordaz
STI - 1500



Tyler Kleinsasser
SDSM&T - 1500



Caitlyn Aleckson
SDSU - 1500



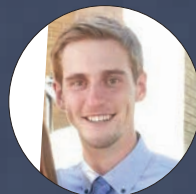
Gregor Fraser
SDSU - 1000



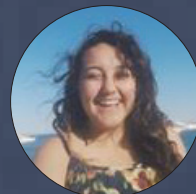
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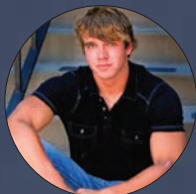
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Maggie Wince
OKWU - 500



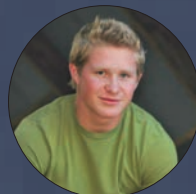
Garrett Larson
SDSU - 750



Riley Schmidt
SDSU - 1000



Jamie Smith
SDSM&T - 1500



Mark Sontag
SDSU - 1250



Lexi Weisbeck
SDSU - 1000

Summer Socials Scrapbook 2017

AGC's Summer Socials were held August 9th at Murphy's in Rapid City & August 16th at Shenanigan's in Sioux Falls. Both of these events had over 75 members in attendance. Thank you for attending these great events!



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

HR Alliance

Potential

Emerging

Career

AGC/SDDL R Workforce Development Grant

AGC of South Dakota received a grant from the South Dakota Department of Labor & Regulations this Spring (SDDL R) to help boost enrollment in registered apprenticeships throughout South Dakota.



Three main focus areas of this grant are as follows:

- Increase the number of registered construction industry apprenticeships in South Dakota.
- Develop and implement pre-apprenticeship programs.
- And promote registered industry apprenticeships, pre-apprenticeship programs, and careers in South Dakota.

AGC has formed three member driven committees to help execute the goals behind the grant. If you would like to be involved in any way or have immediate questions please contact Dustin Baertsch at dustin@sdagc.org or Michael O'Neal at michael@sdagc.org.

School Visits

In addition to our Construction Awareness Days events, the AGC workforce development team will be busy this fall and winter traveling to various middle and high schools to promote the construction industry. The goal is to visit as many schools as possible with either simple presentations or spending the day doing presentations and bringing the simulators/equipment trailers. If you are interested in collaborating with our WFD team on school visits please feel free to contact Dustin Baertsch at dustin@sdagc.org or 605-209-5861.

Fall HR Events - Feedback Needed!

AGC's HR Alliance will kick back up this Fall with various Lunch & Learn events to be held in Rapid City & Sioux Falls. AGC is currently accepting ideas for future presentations and needs your HR feedback. What issues are your companies seeing in regards to HR related topics? Please email your presentation ideas to dustin@sdagc.org by September 1st!



AGC Training Trailers

Are you looking for ways to get involved with workforce development? If so, AGC of South Dakota has three training trailers that can help



members get involved. We have a concrete and carpentry trailer that can be used for community projects or showcased at special events. We also have a trailer that includes a John Deere Excavator and a John Deere Motor Grader. These simulators have been used at high school career days, construction camps, and community events. One benefit of these simulators that most folks may not know is that as an AGC member you can use these simulators to train current or future employees. If you would like to utilize this free opportunity to train your employees please email or call Dustin Baertsch at dustin@sdagc.org or 605-209-5861.

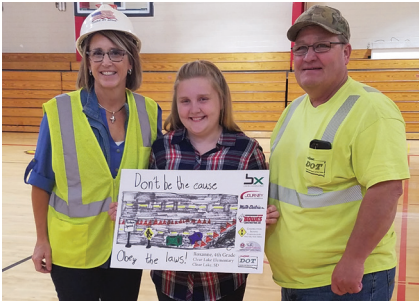
BuildSouthDakota.com

It's a big challenge to recruit workers to the construction industry. Our workforce development website, www.BuildSouthDakota.com, is designed to put accurate information in front of teachers, parents and students. The site includes videos, web links and info about construction careers. The website will be ever evolving to keep the most relevant information at the finger tips of those considering careers in construction. The AGC of SD will be promoting the site more in the coming months; help us get the word out by sharing the website address with people you know. In addition, we are going to be pushing hard to get into each middle & high school as well as South Dakota's Technical schools and provide information to instructors & counselors on the BuildSouthDakota.com website. The site can help students map out one of the many careers in construction leading them in the direction they need for their career choice. Whether it is a 2-year or 4-year degree or on the job training, this website is the resource kids need!



Work Zone Awareness Coloring/Billboard Recap

National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) is an annual spring campaign held at the start of construction season to encourage safe driving through highway work zones and construction sites. AGC once again hosted a successful 4th grade coloring/billboard contest. This year there were nine winners chosen from Rapid City, Dell Rapids, Milbank, Coleman-Egan, Clear Lake and Jones County schools. Press events were held at each of these locations where the students were awarded a "mini-billboard" and a \$25 prize. Billboards featuring the winning artwork will run throughout the busy construction season!



SAVE THE DATES!!

AGC FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS & MIXERS

Mark your calendars now for Fall Membership Meetings & Mixers! They will be held October 24th in Rapid City at Arrowhead Country Club and October 26th in Sioux Falls at CJ Callaway's.

Registration Information will be available soon at ...

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SAFETY & TRAINING

SAFETY SUMMIT RECAP

The Safety Summit was held on June 1st and 2nd in Oacoma at Cedar Shores with 32 attendees representing various member companies. The Safety Summit morphed into the Safety/MSHA/HR Summit this year as it brought together the HR Alliance, MSHA Alliance and Safety Committee for educational sessions and networking opportunities. Depending on which track the attendees followed, Summit participants had the opportunity to hear from OSHA Area Director Sheila Stanley and Jon Puetz, program director for South Dakota State University's Engineering Extension office or Denise Truckenmiller of STRUCK Consulting. Sheila and Jon discussed Silica regulations, the state of Safety in South Dakota as well as provided an OSHA office update. The HR Alliance covered topics such as creating a mentoring culture, creating a respectful workplace, employee engagement, and making our well-being our priority. Watch the Weekly News and SAW for the announcement on the Fall Summit!



in your hands earlier than in past years so you can plan ahead before classes fill up! Watch the SAW for the official calendar roll out details!

SILICA

The Compliance schedule for the new Silica regulation for Construction is September 23, 2017. OSHA delayed enforcement in order to conduct additional outreach and provide educational materials and guidance for employers.



One of the outreach documents that may be helpful comes from The Center for Construction Research & Training – they have a create a plan template that looks to be the most helpful – here's the link to it <http://plan.silica-safe.org/>

MSHA Workplace Exam Rule Extended Until October 2, 2017

The Mine Safety and Health Administration's (MSHA) proposed rule would enhance the quality of working place examinations in Metal and Nonmetal (MNM) mines, improve protections for miners and save lives. MSHA believes it has taken a common sense approach with this proposed rule – (1) Require mine operators to conduct working place examinations to identify hazards before work begins in an area, (2) record the hazards before the end of each shift, and also record the corrective action and the date they are corrected, and (3) make sure miners are aware of potential hazardous conditions.

Site Audits or Inspections

Do you need an extra set of eyes periodically looking at your project? Or maybe a different perspective? Don't forget about this member service – job-site audits. Whether you refer to them as inspections or visits or audits, the focus is generally the same – site safety. The scope for on-site inspections is defined by the member – it can be from a full project walk-thru to focusing on a specific issue or area of concern after the site audit agreement is completed. Again, contact Mike or Jim to schedule this member service.

AGC Safety & Training Catalog Now Available!

We're please to share with you the newly created AGC of SD "Training Catalog" that was created to better explain and advertise the several different Safety and Workforce Development trainings AGC offers to members like you! Whether you are currently utilizing AGC's Training Services or are looking to start, we hope this Training Catalog will help guide you in determining your training needs while exploring the many different courses available. As an AGC member, all of our training courses are discounted to save you money! Contact Mike, Jim or Dustin if you didn't get your hands on one yet before the stock is depleted. Or better yet you can save trees by accessing the electronic version at www.sdagc.org!



2017- 2018 Training Calendar

Your Safety & Training team is finishing up the final details for this coming training season's calendar. So what that means to you is we'll have the calendar

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Project Manager Development Program (PMDP)

AGC's Project Manager Development Program (PMDP) is a construction-specific training curriculum developed, updated, and field-tested by and for contractors. The five-course program covers the essentials of project management for emerging project managers and provides a solid foundation for long-term career development. PMDP is a comprehensive five-course program geared specifically to the topics early-career project managers need. Three modules are offered this training season. Contact Mike for details.

Module 1: Estimating and Job Costing *(Sioux Falls & Rapid City - Proctored Online | Mondays, November 6, 13, 27, and December 4, 2017 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.)* \$350 Member | \$525 Non-Member | Min/Max Participants: 5/20

Module 2: Contract Administration *(Sioux Falls & Rapid City - Proctored Online | Wednesdays, January 17, 24, 31, and February 13, 2018 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.)* \$350 Member | \$525 Non-Member | Min/Max Participants: 5/20

Module 4: Risk Management – *(Sioux Falls & Rapid City - Proctored Virtual Online | Mondays, February 5, 12, 19, 26, 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM | \$350 Member | \$525 Non-Member | Min/Max Participants: 5/20)*

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Push On To Fix Highway Trust Fund in Tax Reform Contact your Representatives and Senators

With Congress at home for its annual August recess, the AGC-co-chaired Transportation Construction Coalition (TCC) is asking all members to reach out to your representative and senators and tell them to fix the Highway Trust Fund as part of tax reform and invest in transportation infrastructure. Congress does not return to Washington until Sept. 5 and tax reform is expected to be one of the top legislative priorities. Tax reform is the best opportunity for providing the revenue needed to fix the Highway Trust Fund and provide growth in transportation funding in the future. AGC encourages all members to use this time to meet with and email your members of Congress and tell them to include a permanent Highway Trust Fund fix as part of any tax reform or new infrastructure initiative! TheHardhats for Highways site has additional information including a TCC background document and talking points for your visits.



U.S. EPA, Army Corps Move to Rescind 2015 WOTUS Rule

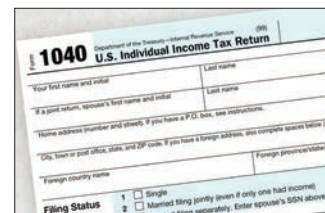
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced the pre-publication version of a proposed rule to rescind the Obama-era 2015 “Waters of the United States” (WOTUS) rule that defines what streams, wetlands and other wet areas are controlled by the federal government and subject to the permitting requirements of the Clean Water Act. This action is the first step in a comprehensive, two-step process intended to review and revise the definition of WOTUS consistent with President Trump’s Executive Order on “Restoring the



Rule of Law, Federalism, and Economic Growth by Reviewing the ‘Waters of the United States’ Rule.” This first step (when finalized) would re-codify the regulatory text that existed prior to 2015 WOTUS rule. In a separate rulemaking (step two), the agencies plan to engage in a substantive re-evaluation of the definition of WOTUS.

“Big 6” Release Statement on Tax Reform

Over the past couple of months, a group of six leaders from Congress and the Trump Administration have met regularly to develop a “unified proposal”. Dubbed the “Big 6,” this



group is comprised of House Speaker Paul Ryan, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, Secretary of the Treasury Steven Mnuchin, National Economic Council Director Gary Cohn, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch (R-UT), and House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Kevin Brady (R-TX). Previously, the House of Representatives developed a proposal called the “Better Way Agenda” for taxes, but certain components of the House proposal were not supported by the Senate or the Administration.

Trump Announces Support for Changes to Immigration Policy

President Trump recently announced his support for a major shift in national immigration policy. Trump teamed with Senators David Perdue (R-Ga.) and Tom Cotton (R-Ark.) in support of legislation – the Reforming American Immigration for a Strong Economy (RAISE) Act – that would impose a merit-based immigration system and would curtail the family- and humanitarian-based options for entry into the country. The goal of the proposal would be to limit legal immigration, which hovers around 1 million entrants every year by half, and it would also rescind the diversity lottery as well as cap annual refugee admittances. AGC looks forward to working with Congress on an immigration package that fully addresses the broken immigration system by strengthening national security, functions efficiently and fairly, and addresses future workforce needs. AGC also looks forward to continuing to work with Congress and the administration on job training and education proposals that will ensure Americans have the skills necessary for careers in the construction industry.



Building a Better Congress

AGC PAC is the nonpartisan political action committee (PAC) sponsored by AGC of America. It is registered with the U.S. Federal Election Commission (FEC) and allows eligible employees of AGC member companies to pool personal, voluntary financial contributions. The contributions are used to support candidates running for elective office who, regardless of party affiliation, understand the construction industry and the specific needs, interests and concerns of AGC member companies and their employees. For more information on how to get involved contact David Ashinoff, Director of AGC PAC & Political Advocacy at ashinoffd@agc.org or (202) 547-5013.



AGC OF AMERICA UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 13-14, 2017
AGC Construction Environmental Conf.
Crystal City, VA

Sept. 24-26, 2017
AGC National & Chapter Leadership Conf.
Washington, DC

Oct. 2-4, 2017
AGC Adv. Safety Mgmt. Training Course
Arlington, VA

Oct. 11-13, 2017
AGC HR & Training Professionals Conf.
Phoenix, AZ

Nov. 1-3, 2017
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Las Vegas, NV

Nov. 1-3, 2017
AGC Transp. & Utilities Issues Meeting
Phoenix, AZ

Nov. 16-17, 2017
AGC's CLC Development Conf.
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