

Nuts & Bolts

September 29, 2011

Company News Brief:

> We now have caulk cutting blades for our Arbotech Tools. They come in two cutting depths 1/2" and 1". We would appreciate any feedback on how these blades perform so we can determine if we should keep them stocked. Please let Chris Towle, Matt Strub or a Project Manager know. Thank you!



> Congrats to Andrew Labelle! Andy finished his cement finisher apprenticeship as of last week. Keep up the good work Andy.

... > SAFETY FIRST: Chris' Subject Horse Play

Horse play does not have a place on the construction site! All of us like to have fun, but when horse play gets started on the job it usually ends up with someone getting injured, and none of us really wants that to happen. Practical jokes and those who initiate them are not wanted. For example, take the foreman who knew that one of his employees was extremely sensitive to loud noise. One day he sneaked up on the employee and set off a pack of fire crackers, and the sudden loud noise surprised and shocked the employee. The end result of this 'joke' was not funny; a workers compensation claim was filed and the employee was out of work for some time before recovering. Sometimes horse play goes even further. A worker decides to play a trick on another worker by taking off or changing the position of a safety device on a power tool. Something

like this is not only stupid but extremely dangerous and could cause an accident with serious injuries. Practical jokers should be banned from all construction sites. If you see any kind of horse play taking place stop it at once. Let the other person know that you don't like it, and if it continues you will notify your supervisor to put a stop to it. You should also remind the jokester that if the prank results in an injury or death, they are subject to prosecution and possible imprisonment. Be a safe worker. Check your work area for hazards, inspect your tools before use, set a good example, follow the rules and never be the person that horses around. Remember, if a prank backfires and someone is injured, it's no joke!

> Packer Tickets Drawing - "Field Employee Appreciation"

VS. OAKLAND RAIDERS

Sunday, December 11
Kick-Off: 12:00 pm
There will be 2 winners of 2 tickets each.

These seats are located in the Outdoor Club level, and the face value is \$272/per ticket on these premium seats. The Club Level seats offer many perks & privileges, including:

- Waitress service for In-seat food and beverage service
- Theater-style seats with cup holders, arm rests and backs which are wider than the regular seats
- Wider aisles and concourses
- Private elevators and escalator
- Exclusive club level rest rooms, concession stands and lounge
- Access to Curly's Bar on the Club Level
- Access to temperature controlled concourse to warm up during the game


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Name _____

Phone _____

One entry per person, please turn in to office or your superintendent by Friday, October 21st, 2011.

We will draw the winner on October 24th, 2011.



Upcoming Bids

September 29th
Camp Williams Security Caging



> Project Updates



Pics from top: 1. 2. & 3. Progress at the DOIM jobsite.
4. Cody Heilman packing away the generator on the mechanics truck.
5. Tim Kappauf fixing a chop saw in the shop.
6. Kasey giving the low down on the new truck lifts installed by Michaels Hoist.



Pet of the Week



Meet Debbie! She is spunky and full of life, an 8 month old female Shepherd mix. For more information about adopting Debbie please visit: www.couleehumane.com



> Did you know?

✓ Ninety percent of all volcanic activity occurs in the oceans. In 1993, scientists located the largest known concentration of active volcanoes on the sea floor in the South Pacific. This area, the size of New York state, hosts 1,133 volcanic cones and sea mounts. Two or three could erupt at any moment.



Safety Score Card:

No one had enough hours this week, please check back in next week's newsletter for updates.



Your **CURRENT** Safety Team members:

- Chris Towle
- Rick Wilhelm
- DuWayne Knobloch
- Eddy Kuster
- Dan Haney
- Brent Johnson
- Heath Hoscheit

If you have any ideas on interesting safety topics to feature in future newsletters please email them to: ctowle@fowlerhammer.com or drop off at the office.