

CLAYTON RAILROAD SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Monthly

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2011 SAFETY CONTEST!

It is once again time for our annual Clayton Railroad Safety Contest! The month long safety contest will begin on August 1st and run through the end of the month. Entries must be received in the office by August 31st.

This year's contest will once again consist of a 25 question safety test with a tiebreaker. Copies of this test will be mailed out to all employees, but can also be picked up in the office and emailed to jobsite supervisors.

The prize will again be a Clayton Logoed Carhart coat and will be awarded to the highest scoring contestant.

The 2010 Safety Test winner was Ben McAdams.

OFF THE JOB - SAFETY

Many measures are taken to protect you on the job: posting safety signs, erecting guardrails, issuing PPE and making work areas as safe as possible. But off the job safety is up to you.

Why off the job safety concerns? According to the National Safety Council, the number of deaths occurring each year off the job is eight times higher than those occurring on the job. Off the job disabling injuries outnumber those in the workplace 2 to 1.

Your safety off the job is important to us. It is not easy to replace good employees, even temporarily. When you get hurt, your co-workers suffer too. Plus, nobody wants to see anyone get hurt on or off the job.

Driving safely is one of the best ways to keep from getting hurt. Auto accidents are a frequent cause of injury or death. Drive defensively at all times and avoid distracting activities. Never Drink and Drive!

Take your safety practices home with you. If you wear eye protection when it is required on the job, why not wear them in your workshop? If you would not use damaged or worn tools at work, why would you use a mushroomed headed chisel or taped up hammer at home?

Do not overlook safety during recreation either. Did you ever notice how many injuries happen when people are skiing, playing or relaxing with a little backyard baseball? Don't overdo it when it comes to recreations. Do not try to keep up with the kids.

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SAFETY TIP!

MONTHLY SAFETY TIPS ARE TAKEN FROM THE BONUS QUESTION ON THE SAFETY TEST OR SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE.

"REPORT TO WORK RESTED AND PHYSICALLY FIT TO DO YOUR JOB!"

- TIP TAKEN FROM THE NRC SAFETY MANUAL