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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Eight Deaths in 56 Days

So far in 2013, Michigan has experienced one employee death every 7 days. As of February 25th MIOSHA is investigating the deaths of eight employees. If this rate were to continue, Michigan would end the year with 52 MIOSHA- related deaths. This would be the greatest number of worker deaths since 2006. Last year there were 26 MIOSHA-related deaths. 2009 saw the lowest number with 24. Worker deaths in 2013 include three falls, two crushed, one struck- by and one run over incidents.

We urge every employer and employee to be proactive by taking the action necessary to ensure your workplace is safe. If you need help or assistance in ensuring your workplace is safe, MIOSHA is here with resources to help. The Consultation Education & Training (CET) Division provides workplace safety and health training and consultations to employers and employees throughout Michigan free of charge. Contact CET today at (800) 866-4674 or submit a request online at www.michigan.gov/cetrca.

Every life is precious. Our mutual goal must be that every employee goes home at the end of their shift every day!

Summary of Worker Fatalities – 2013

Date	Occupation	Age	Type of Injury	Description	Location (City)
1/17/13	Assistant Manager	36	Crush	Employee was run over by a tractor while trying to remove a railroad timber using a tractor loader with a front bucket.	Turner
1/18/13	Materials Handler	42	Crush	Employee was operating a crane and was crushed by beams that fell out of the sling being carried by the crane.	Belleville
1/23/13	Carpenter	20	Fall	Employee fell approximately 19' from a high-pitch residential roof while installing shingles.	Coldwater
1/24/13- accident 1/28/13- passed away	Laborer	56	Cave-in	Employee was working in a 12' deep excavation to repair a leaking water main when a section of the side collapsed, completely burying him. Coworkers uncovered him and he was taken to medical facilities, where he later expired.	Grosse Isle

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Summary of Worker Fatalities – 2013 (continued)

2/06/13	Bus Operator	48	Run over	Employee dropped off last fare and stepped out of bus. Bus began to roll. She attempted to re-enter the bus and was run over by the rear tires.	Mt. Morris
2/18/13	Roofer	39	Fall	Employee was installing insulation material on a low-pitch roof for a new commercial building. He was working between the warning line system and the edge of the roof when he fell 25 feet to the ground.	Howell
2/16 /13- accident 2/20/13- passed away	Carpenter	33	Struck	Employee was struck in the eye by nail from pneumatic nail gun while rough framing a house. Nail entered through eye socket into the brain.	White Lake
2/25/13	Roofer	36	Fall	Employee fell 22 feet through a deteriorated roof while in the process of replacing the metal decking.	Grand Blanc

Use the information in this table to build hazard awareness and prevent risk for similar occurrences in your workplace. This table shares **preliminary details** about many of the fatalities reported to the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Site Specific Targeting (SST)

Last month CET mailed a letter to each of the 2,545 companies on the new General Industry Safety and Health Division (GISHD) priority list. The list consists of randomly selected establishments in high hazard industries as well as randomly selected establishments in a wide range of other industrial classifications. The letter informed the recipient that they were included on the list and offered them Consultation Education and Training (CET) Division assistance to address workplace safety and health issues. The SST letter is an effective tool that CET has used each year of this five-year strategic plan to help achieve our goals. This year we used a different database source for the mailing and we're very pleased with the results. To date, we have received over 40 requests for assistance that have been assigned to consultants. Of these requests, we found that 100% of the callers had no previous knowledge of CET services. As follow-up to the mailing, the names and addresses of recipients that have not requested CET services will be shared with CET consultants for promotional visits.

Asbestos Program's On-line Accreditation Renewal System First Anniversary

February 1, 2013, was the first anniversary of the Asbestos Program's Reinvention Patent Award-winning On-line Accreditation Renewal System. The Asbestos Program established and implemented the system to allow its customers to renew and pay for their asbestos accreditation licenses on-line using credit or debit cards. In just one year, the system has recorded 846 transactions totaling \$55,225.00. Those 846 transactions covered approximately 970 applications.

Michigan Safety Conference

The 2013 Michigan Safety Conference will take place April 16-17, 2013, at the DeVos Place, Grand Rapids, MI. The Michigan Safety Conference is a two-day world class health and safety training event, held every Spring. Training is targeted at workplace health and safety issues. All businesses in Michigan are encouraged to send their employees responsible for health and safety and risk management operations. For more information and registration details, please visit www.michsafetyconference.org or call (517) 203-0737.

MEDIA

February 1, 2013 – [Ambassador Steel Fabrication Receives SHARP Award for Workplace Safety and Health Excellence](#)

February 8, 2013 – [Yazaki's Circuit Controls Corporation Receives State Award for Outstanding Safety and Health Record](#)

February 11, 2013 – [United Water, Inc.'s Wixom Waste Water Treatment Plant Receives MIOSHA's Highest Recognition Award of their Workplace Safety and Health Excellence](#)

February 14, 2013 – [Herman Miller's Midwest Distribution Center Receives Renewed MIOSHA Recognition of their Workplace Safety and Health Excellence](#)

February 15, 2013 – [MIOSHA Reminds Employers They Must Post Job-Related Injuries and Illnesses](#)

February 21, 2013 – [MIOSHA and Manufacturing Technology Mutual Insurance Company Sign Alliance to Protect Workers](#)

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AGENCY INSTRUCTIONS/MEMOS ISSUED

February 1, 2013 – MIOSHA-ADM-09-2R1 [MIOSHA Website Policies and Procedures](#)

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