

SAFETY MEETING NEWS

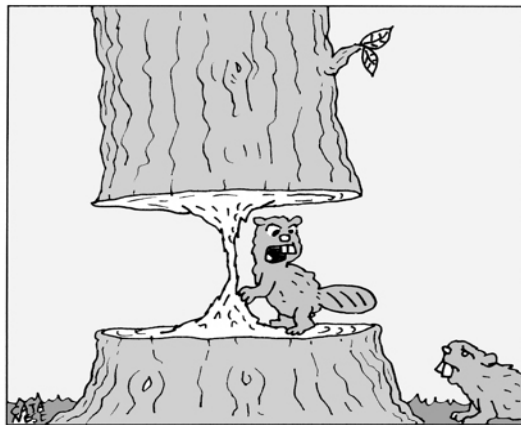
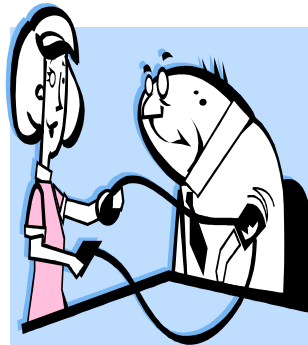
The third quarter safety meeting of 2008 will be held on Tuesday, October 28th at The Holiday Inn, Norwich at 6:00 pm. There will be a buffet meal served. As always there will be a door prize drawing and cash safety award drawings.

*Plan to join us
on October
28th.*



At our last meeting, John Stephens won the raffle for the \$1500 Best Buy gift card. In order to be eligible for the next drawing you must attend this meeting and the 4th quarter meeting and have no safety violations.

We will have the nurse on site again at the meeting to do blood pressure and BMI checks. She will arrive at 5:30. This is a service that will be provided to you at no cost.



"Have I thought this through?
What's THAT supposed to mean?"

Team Safety

Afterthoughts

How often have you said or done something, then in a period of inactivity, you have re-viewed your action and thought: "How could I have done that?"

Here are some typical afterthoughts that, unfortunately, too many of our fellow construction workers have experienced:

- That's the way I've always done it before (this accident occurred).
- I never thought that a hard hat would have protected me against such an incident (or I wouldn't have this rotten headache).
- If I had taken that first-aid course, I probably could have helped him (and chances are, he wouldn't be off two months).
- I noticed that board with the projecting rusty nail earlier. (Gee, those tetanus shots sting!)
- Golly, I never realized that a fire could get out of control so fast. (If I'd checked that extinguisher this morning, I'd be going to work tomorrow.)
- Oh, I know that they were always preaching that we should lift with the leg muscles instead of the back muscles. (Wonder how long I'll have to remain in this traction.)
- I'll be off work for two weeks. I had to ruin that good shoe by cutting off the toe section, and this fractured toe still hurts. (For another few dollars, I could have bought those safety shoes.)
- My carelessness spoiled our safety record. So what? (I'll sure feel lousy going back and facing the guys.)
- A few years ago, it didn't bother me to jump across a 42-inch trench while I was carrying a piece of pipe. (What in the heck is an inguinal hernia?)
- We were only going to use the scaffold for one day. I never thought of a hammer slipping off the floorboard and striking someone. (I had the feeling I should have taken a minute to nail on a toe-board.)
- I had the right of way at the intersection, officer. But this other fellow must have been daydreaming. (I guess defensive driving alertness would have eliminated this.)
- The safety supervisor always insisted that the tool rest be no more than one-eighth inch from the grinding wheel. But as I told him, what difference does a quarter inch make. (I sure was lucky; when that chisel became wedged, that wheel exploded into a thousand pieces.)

Do some of these sound familiar to you?