



Union County Safety Council Newsletter

September 2011 EDITION

Our Next Meeting Information

Date: September 14th/Wednesday
Location: 940 London Ave, Union County Services Building
Time: 1130am – 1pm
Lunch Sponsor: PSARA
Topic: *Ergonomics*
Speaker: Ms. Kim Schaeffer , from Memorial Hospital.

This and That's from UCSC President Brian Dostanko

You will be happy to learn that there is much good going on in your Union County Safety Council. At last month's lunch and learn you saw Vice President Jose Banaag (also pictured lower right on this page) take over and test drive the meeting (pun intended). I think we can agree he did an outstanding job. This is even more exciting because your Steering Committee is about to vote on officers for this next year. Mr. Banaag is my choice for President for sure. I have been blessed to be your President for about 3 years. I hope the UCSC has become better during my time. I am not going anywhere as I will continue to serve on the Steering Committee as the group sees fit.

We have, not one training meeting, but three in September! All will be advertised via email. We added the topics below based on your feedback. We will need your RSVPs for these so we get proper amounts of food.

- Sept 21: Lunch/Learn 11:30-12:30m—*Disaster Prep/Tornados* with Union County Director of EMA Brad Gilbert.
- Sept 21: Breakfast 8-9am—*Violence in the Workplace, Policy is Paramount* with myself, Brian Dostanko.

We will also be handing out the critically important 2012 lunch and learn survey this month. Please tell us how we are doing and what you want to see (topic wise) in 2012.

Please also mark on your calendar October 12th starting at 10:55am for our CEO lunch and learn. We're starting early with some light finger-foods and drinks to provide a State-of-your-Council meeting before we hold our normal learning event. Tell your CEOs now!

August Steering Committee Minutes Follow:

- **Review of Finance Report:** We have a balance of \$23,131.20.
- **Safe and Sound:** Final planning—what a great event (again)!
- **UCSC Website:** We are still working with the Union County Chamber of Commerce to enhance our portion of their site.
- **13th UCSC Meeting:** It will be both a 13th and 14th meeting as I mentioned above.
- **CEO Event:** I touched on this above, but we'll expand the Oct 12th meeting to provide a comprehensive UCSC brief and orientation.
- **Christmas Gift:** We made one purchase and are considering a second.
- **Reaffirming Steering Member Commitment:** By our by-laws all Steering Committee members reaffirmed they will continue to serve the UCSC for one more year.

See you September 14th at the lunch and learn. Be safe..and...be well!!!

August
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Speaker
 Mr. Jeff Eggleston
 (OPOTA)

The topic was *Driving concepts for today's roads.*

Reasons for driver training

- Reduce collisions
- Reduce personal injury
- Reduce liability
- Increase driver attention level
- Reduce stress levels on the driver

The Smith System (some highlights)

- Aim High in Driving
- 12 Seconds down the road
- Keep your eyes moving
- Far, near, left, right & in mirrors
- Get the big picture
- Combining techniques of aiming high and eye movement to be aware of the entire traffic scene
- Leave yourself an out
- Have a space cushion around the vehicle; avoid being boxed in; maintain at least 2-4 seconds between you and the vehicle in front of you; increase space cushion as weather/circumstances dictate



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Great Safety Websites!! (August's 2-for-1 Sub-Safety-Topic)

August/Back-to-School Month..

Facts.....

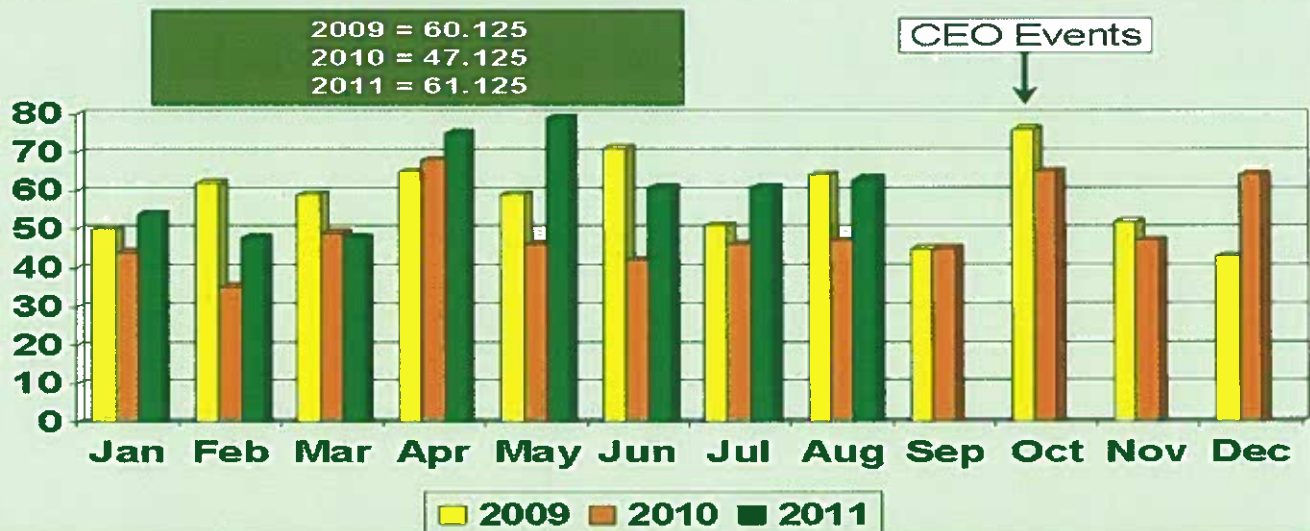
- 1,856 crashes involving school buses in 2009
- 10 crashes per school day (most schools in session for 182 days)
- 760 injuries and 3 fatalities from bus-related crashes during SY2009-2010
- 283 non-bus crashes in designated school zones (*an equally-alarming number*)

Safety Reminders.....

- Slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits.
- Watch for the flashing lights - stop for school buses loading or unloading children.
- Look for children walking or biking near schools, bus stops and in school parking lots.
- Don't pass other vehicles in school zones as stopped vehicles may be allowing children to cross the road.
- Avoid changing lanes in school zones and never make U-turns in school zones.
- Don't send or read text message on a cell phone in school zones - your focus needs to be on the road.



UCSC Attendance



Lunch and Learn for the Rest of 2011

Date	Topic	Sponsor	Facilitator
Sep 14	Ergonomics	PSARA	Kim Schaeffer Memorial Hospital
Oct 12	CEO Event "The Aging Workforce"	UCSC	Dr. Robert Kessler CompMgt
Nov 9	PPE	U-Co	Joe Cicero
Dec 14	Accident Investigation	Milcrest	Brian Dostanko City of Marysville