

Stoneco of Michigan Newsletter

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Safety First

Three Deaths have occurred nationally in recent years because pedestrians were struck by haul trucks or loaders. One unfortunate accident occurred when a loader operator backed over his wife while placing material along a newly installed truck scale. When you dismount your mobile equipment you become the pedestrian. Unless you are in a designated area for parking and dismounting your equipment, do not dismount. A person outside the cab is exposed to numerous hazards; including mobile equipment, stockpile sloughing, material falling from loader bucket, material falling off trucks, conveyors, etc.

NSSGA Honors Stoneco

The National Stone Sand and Gravel Association has honored Stoneco with two of its community relations awards. The quarry group has been awarded the prestigious "Community Relations - Pinnacle Award". To be qualified for this award a group must be able to show five years of concentrated public relations efforts in all areas of public relations. It is the highest award given for public relations in the mining industry. The Ottawa Lake Quarry was awarded the "About Face - Show Place" award. It rewards aggregate producers who have made constructive and positive efforts to enhance the aesthetic appearance of their operations. In 1987, About Face received a "Special Merit Award" from the nationally respected Keep America Beautiful organization, and in 1990, it was accorded the highest honor in the U.S. Department of Interior's Take Pride in America Program. Please help us in congratulating the quarries for their efforts in Public Relations.

Public Relations - A Dirty Business???

Public Relations in the Construction Industry can be very difficult. While people recognize the need for a new road, new hospital, new shopping complex, or any other of a wide array of projects they usually do not understand the process that is necessary to get to a finished project. It is because of this lack of understanding that the construction industry often faces potential opposition in new projects or existing quarries. In the case of aggregates the truck traffic, the dust, the mud on the road, blasting, and many other reasons have given the public a negative view of aggregate suppliers. We at Stoneco do our very best to make sure we are a good neighbor and eliminate the potential negative image that our industry typically faces. Part of that image is keeping our operations garbage free, in a previous article we mentioned helping keep our operations clean. We have had several complaints coming from our neighbors regarding waste disposal in their yards. Please keep in mind when coming to and from our operations that you not only represent the aggregate industry but the construction industry as a whole. Please make a concerted effort to make sure that any trash or waste it is put in its proper place. Through efforts like this we can ensure the construction and aggregate industry face reduced public opposition when it comes time to receive permitting for projects or new operations. Thank you for all your consideration and effort on this matter.

Career Day - 2nd Annual

On Thursday March 22nd we will be holding our second annual Job Fair / Career Day at the Stoneco Denniston location. Last year's event proved to be a big success for everyone involved. There will be 12 different stations where High School and College age students will have the opportunity to learn "hands on" what careers the construction industry has to offer them. For more information on this event please contact Ryan Lumpford at (734) 777-3396.

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