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HCCA Leadership Meets with Transportation Secretary Aubrey Layne and VDOT Commissioner Charlie Kilpatrick

On Wednesday August 13th the HCCA Leadership met with Secretary Layne and Commissioner Kilpatrick in the Secretary's office in Richmond, Virginia. The HCCA members attending were Dann Nash of Atlantic Contracting & Materials and President of HCCA, David White of Superior Paving and Vice-President of HCCA, Greg Smith of Shirley Contracting and Treasurer of HCCA, David Yergin-Doniger of WG Construction and Secretary of HCCA, Glenn Kauffman of The Kauffman Group, Ken Garrison of HCCA and Lynwood Butner, Lobbyist for HCCA.

In the course of the visit, the leadership team learned first-hand of both the challenges and opportunities that are facing the transportation system statewide and more specifically in Northern Virginia in the coming years. The funding provided by HB2313 will start to provide an accelerated schedule on some projects and set the stage for future projects that aid in the congestion relief for Northern Virginia.

In addition the collective group discussed the pending project prioritization that will occur by Legislative bills-HB2 for prioritization of Commonwealth Transportation Board projects and HB599 for prioritization of NVTA projects. The combination of these two bills will hopefully give all concerned guidance on future transportation project spending.

As second element of the conversation the participants discussed the schedule for the VDOT Conversation at the Country Club of Fairfax and Secretary Layne's keynote commentary following dinner on same evening. The event is scheduled on Thursday October 23rd at the Country Club of Fairfax. The combination of an afternoon of general discussion with the VDOT and NOVA District leadership followed by a commentary from the Secretary Layne promises to provide HCCA members a very current view of forward looking transportation strategy.

HCCA and NUCA Joint Pigeon Shoot

To start the summer with a proverbial "bang" HCCA and NUCA partnered to host a Pigeon Shoot at Shady Grove Sporting Clays in Remington, Virginia. The result was over

80 sportsmen gather early on Saturday May 31, to compete for both team and individual trophies.

The ranks of shooters came from experienced competition shooters and avid hunters -and a few individuals who were new to the sport. The early banter in the parking lot let everyone know, while the collective group had gathered to enjoy the sunshine and the company of fellow shooters, a true competition was brewing among the teams. To complete the event of the day catering was provided by the Squeaky Pig Bar-B-Que Company.

The day played out in a familiar fashion-the team from Ricky L. Brown took home top team honors and Jerry Harris on the team won High Gun Honors. In second place was a new entry from PPC Lubricants, with Bob Rearick taking home the trophy for the Long Run competition. In third place was a solid team showing from William A. Hazel.

The event concluded with a call for future tournaments and a vow by some of the participants to start training for next year. To keep a year over year competition in focus, the winning team was awarded both a permanent first place trophy and the traveling trophy that will be returned each year to the shoot to allow future shooters to compete for the Pigeon Shoot Cup.

The photo journal of the event is available through the HCCA Website and Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/hcca1957>

HCCA 2014 "President's Cup" Golf Tournament

In keeping with HCCA tradition-one the First Monday after Labor Day a significant portion of the membership gathered to take part in an annual battle for supremacy on the Golf Links at Evergreen and Piedmont Country Clubs. The contestants had spent a great deal of their free time in the summer preparing for the annual test of skill, honing techniques and steeling nerves for the competition.

The desire to compete was evident when as every available tee time at our traditional venue of Evergreen Country Club sold out within weeks of registration opening. To allow all who wanted to participate, the Golf Committee quickly opened a second venue at Piedmont Country Club for an auxiliary tournament to take place concurrently with the Evergreen match.

A total of 156 golfers, 11 volunteers and the staff of both clubs arrived just after first light to take on the courses. As per the norm, the golfers gathered to both banter and warmup their swings at the driving range with a cup of coffee in one hand and for many a cell phone in the other as they checked on jobs or pending orders prior to the shot-gun start at 9:00 AM.

Once the two tournaments were underway, it was obvious to the various volunteers that the level of competition was at an all-time high. The tournament was enhanced by both the participants and the generosity of the many companies who

sponsored the event. Every hole had at least one sponsor and in addition, Theros Equipment Sponsored the Breakfast, ACF Environmental and Fortiline Waterworks Sponsored the Adult Beverages, H. N. Funkhouser Sponsored Lunch, WG Construction Sponsored the Putting Contest, and Rish Equipment Sponsored our Cooler Bags (to hold the various gifts from a number of companies) and Rish also sponsored a Hole-In-One Contest for a Mini Excavator.

At the culmination of the event, the participants gathered to have the scorecards tabulated by the club pro, enjoy a lunch in the clubhouse and exchange commentary on the trials and tribulations from the day's round.

The Auxiliary Tournament at Piedmont Country Club was won by the Virginia Paving team comprised of Robby Oliff, Mike Cuilik, Joel Thomas, and Dave Horton. They won the tournament with a team score of 57 which was a wonderful score on the difficult Piedmont course.

The battle for the President's Cup trophy at Evergreen was no less fierce. The tournament ended with two teams tied at a posted score of 58 and after a comparison of scorecards by the club pro, the Anderson team of Cody Omohundro, Pat Doering, Steve Noel and Yun Kim taking second place.

The Presidents Cup Trophy was won by a team from Fortiline Waterworks comprised of Blake August, Chad Mazingo, Dayrell Schneider and David Clarke. Their total team score was 54 strokes and drew great applause from the collective audience.

The Trophy will be formally presented to the Fortiline team at the October 23 HCCA Dinner Meeting at the Country Club of Fairfax. The winners will be allowed to display the trophy until the next President's Cup takes place in the fall of 2015.

Congratulations should be extended to the winners but also to all who competed in the tournament.

The pictures from the tournament can be found on the HCCA Facebook page.
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Multi Lingual Training at HCCA

HCCA has provided a variety of training for its members for a number of years. The ever growing labyrinth of training requirements placed on our contractors has been reflected in a continued expansion of classes offered by the Association. In combination with a trend of enhanced need for training, our members' schedules have led to a need for "custom" training classes to meet their construction schedules, as well as job specific and language requirements.

To meet this need, HCCA has hired Ari Henrique as our Director of Safety and Training.

Ari is a native Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and is fluent in English, Spanish and Portuguese. Based on our members' diverse work forces, he will provide training in all three languages. Ari has a long background in construction and for 10 years served as the Director of Safety for Summit USA Land Development in

Manassas, Virginia. He was also the Owner Operator of FMS Trucking which specialized in moving highly regulated cargos nationwide.

In addition to teaching a wide variety of OSHA, VDOT, DOT, First Aid/CPR/AED and other selected courses, Ari will serve as a resource to the membership in the creation or review of Safety Manuals, DOT Driver Qualification Files (Record Keeping), Pre-bid Safety Planning, Safety Program Development (OSHA Requirement), Job Site Safety Assessments and Tool Box Talks. The concept of bringing this type of resource in-house at HCCA is to provide the members with a broad array of services to meet their complex needs.

Please feel free to reach out to Ari, Robbyn or Ken to discuss any issues in this area where the association might be of service.

Important OSHA Updates

OSHA announces new requirements for reporting severe injuries and updates list of industries exempt from record keeping requirements.

On September 11, 2014, OSHA released a statement issuing an update to the appendix of its injury and illness recording and reporting regulations. This appendix contains a list of industries that are partially exempt from record keeping requirements of work-related injuries and illnesses due to relatively low occupational injury and illness rates. The previous list of exempt industries was based on the old Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system and the new rule uses the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) to classify establishments by industry. The new list is based upon data collected from the Bureau of Labor and Statistics. The new rule maintains the current exemption for any employer with 10 or fewer employees from the requirement to routinely keep records of work-related injuries and illnesses, unless requested to do so by OSHA or BLS for survey purposes.

This updated final regulation also revises the requirements for reporting work-related fatality, injury, and illness information to OSHA. Under the current rule, employers are required to report work-related fatalities and in-patient hospitalizations of three or more employees within eight hours of the accident or incident. The revised rule still requires employers to report work-related fatalities to OSHA within eight hours of the accident or incident, but amends the regulation to require employers to report all work-related in-patient hospitalizations regardless how many employees are involved, as well as amputations and losses of an eye, to OSHA within twenty-four hours of the accident or incident. Reporting single hospitalizations, amputations or loss of an eye was not required under the previous rule. The new updated requirements will go into effect January 1, 2015, for all workplaces under federal OSHA jurisdiction.

OSHA extends compliance date for crane operator certification requirements

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration today issued a final rule extending the deadline for crane operator certification requirements in the

Cranes and Derricks in Construction final rule* published Aug. 9, 2010 by three years to Nov. 10, 2017.

The rule also extends by three years the employer's responsibility to ensure that crane operators are competent to operate a crane safely. The final rule becomes effective Nov. 9, 2014.

During the three-year period, OSHA will address operator qualification requirements for the cranes standards including the role of operator certification. The final cranes and derricks rule required crane operators on construction sites to meet one of four qualification/certification options by Nov. 10, 2014. After publishing the final rule, a number of parties raised concerns about the Standard's requirement to certify operators by type and capacity of crane and questioned whether crane operator certification was sufficient for determining whether an operator could operate their equipment safely on a construction site.

The agency published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Feb. 12, 2014, proposing to extend both the deadline for operator certification and the employer duty to ensure competent crane operation for three years. After publishing the proposed rule, a hearing was requested and held in Washington, D.C. Comments from the hearing are available at the OSHA website <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=OSHA-2007-0066>

OSHA analyzed the comments to the NPRM and the hearing testimony and decided to extend both the crane operator certification deadline and the existing employer duty for three years. OSHA has already begun the process of developing a standard to ensure crane operator qualifications.

Under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, employers are responsible for providing safe and healthful workplaces for their employees. OSHA's role is to ensure these conditions for America's working men and women by setting and enforcing standards, and providing training, education and assistance.

For more information, visit <http://www.osha.gov>

HCCA Introduces Its Own Softball League

In the spring and summer of 2013 4 HCCA Teams joined in the Prince William County Softball League and played against a wide array of opponents. Those who played enjoyed the experience, but particularly enjoyed playing the other HCCA teams.

In 2014 with the assistance of the Prince William softball league, HCCA created its own league to allow HCCA teams to compete exclusively with each other and also modify the rules to create an open league where both men and women were treated equally-in other words all were welcome to participate.

Beginning in April 2014 and concluding in marathon Tournament on August 10th eight HCCA teams which were made up of over 130 players from across the HCCA membership. These teams were sponsored by a variety of our members. The teams played under the names as follows mostly reflecting their corporate sponsors: Superior/Vulcan, Kauffman/Theros, Anderson, Tac Pack (sponsored by Anderson)

Shirley Gray, Shirley Blue, Insight Pipe Layers and Son of Pitches (sponsored by TDS).

The teams fought through a regular season that ended with Superior/Vulcan winning the regular season, followed by Kauffman/Theros and Shirley Gray. The same teams then joined together for a marathon double elimination tournament on Sunday August 10th which began at noon and ended at 10 PM with Superior/Vulcan defeating Shirley Gray for the Tournament title.

The teams gathered on September 9th at the City Tavern in Manassas from 7-9 PM to replay and debate the season with an adult beverage in hand.

The common theme of all of the players at the end of the season was "Let's Play Again" in 2015. If you have interest in fielding a team for next year, please call the HCCA office and we will get you on the notification list for the spring.

The pictures from the tournament can be found on the HCCA Facebook page.

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10th Annual HCCA Motorcycle Rally

Saturday June 14th broke sunny and clear for the 10th Annual HCCA Motor Cycle Rally.

The annual ride raises runs for the HCCA Bikers Relief Fund which provides financial assistance to employees, families and friends of HCCA Member Firms who have suffered personal life emergencies.

The ride has been created, organized and delivered by a dedicated group of HCCA volunteers who want to help their community and enjoy the sound of a deep throated motorcycle rolling down the road. This year the ride was sponsored by 31 Organizations and had over 60 riders participating.

The ride began at the Luckstone Bull Run Plant and traveled through Marshall on the way to Winchester and circled back through Leesburg before ending in Haymarket and the Lion and the Bull. These are riders were out to enjoy each other's company, participate in a poker run, and enjoy the scenery along the way.

When you hear the riders start to arrive at the start of the ride it is obvious that old friends are gathering to enjoy the day and those who were not in the circle at the start are on their way to becoming fast friends by the end of the five stops.

It is rare that you see a community that simply enjoys the spirit of riding for a cause as much as these individuals.

The purpose of the ride for the participates is to raise money for charity and enjoy a causal Saturday afternoon pursuing their avocation. The "official ride" traditionally concluded with the awarding of the Poker Run challenge-once again won by Noland Clark and the drawing for the raffle prizes which both riders and friends of the ride purchase to raise money for the charity. The first grand prize of the raffle drawing (Browning Citori White Lightning 12 Gauge Shotgun

Under and Over) was won by Fred Morgan. The second grand prize (Daniel Defense M4 Carbine V9) was won by Tim Mabey.

The committee has decided to host the 11th Annual Motorcycle Rally in September of 2015 to give the riders a chance to enjoy the cool fall weather. However one can be certain that the dedicated riders will find a way to meet each other somewhere on the road until the next annual gathering.

The pictures from the Motorcycle Rally can be found on the HCCA Facebook page.
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