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Governor McAuliffe Awards Workforce Development Capacity Grant to Lord Fairfax Community College for Heavy Equipment Operator Training Program



Workforce Development

HCCA has been working tirelessly to aid the need for skilled operators in our industry. Inspired by the increasing need for skill development, a partnership between HCCA, Alban Cat of Northern Virginia, Northern Virginia Community College, Lord Fairfax Community College, VDOT, and the office of Governor McAuliffe, was formed to grow the pipeline of skilled operators joining the workforce. The partnership is in the process of setting up and enrolling students in the Heavy Construction Talent Development Program at Lord Fairfax Community College and Northern Virginia Community College. Lord Fairfax CC is utilizing brand new, top-notch simulators combined with classroom work while Northern Virginia CC will mix classroom work with a hands-on learning approach, using the Prince William County landfill as a space to practice operating real heavy machinery.

Governor McAuliffe supported this program by awarding a \$453,686 Workforce Development Capacity and Technical Assistance Grant to LFCC to help purchase the simulators to be used in the operator training course. “We applaud the McAuliffe administration for providing the guidance and funding support for education of the skilled workers who will be the workforce for the industry in both short and longer term,” Ken Garrison said, “It provides students an opportunity for a high paying career, and it will continue to accelerate the growth of the economy.” NVCC is finalizing details on their course with registration dates to be released very soon. The first Operator Training Course at LFCC is slated to begin on December 2, 2017, register [here](#).

2017 Rockfishing Trip

On October 13, twenty-five HCCA members from Leo Construction and Traffic Safety Supply met bright and early in Solomon’s Island, MD to hit the open sea in search of Rockfish. A good time was had by all who attended.



2017 President's Cup Golf

The 2017 HCCA President's Cup Golf Tournament was held on September 15 at the Golf Club at Landsdowne. We had beautiful weather that allowed 180 golfers from almost 40 member firms to show off their golf skills while networking and having fun. At the end of the day, Fortiline Waterworks was deemed the winner of the tournament. Thanks to all of our sponsors (William B. Hopke, WG Construciton, Western Branch Diesel, Waterworks, Vulcan Materials Company, Utilities Unlimited, Traffic Safety, Total Development Solutions, Superior Paving Corporation, Sunbelt Rentals, Shirley Contracting Company, Ritchie Brothers, Rish Equipment, Richmark, Quarles Petroleum, Mountaineer Pipe, Luckstone, Lane Construction, James River Equipment, H.N. Funkhouser, Fortiline Waterworks, Ferguson Waterworks, Concrete Pipes and Precast, Chantilly Crushed Stone, Bobcat of NoVA, B&B Signal, Atlantic Contracting & Materials, Arthur Construction, Angler Environmental, Anderson Company, Allan Myers, & ACF Environmental) who made the day a great success.

60th Anniversary

This September, HCCA celebrated 60 years of history, accomplishments, progress, and growth through many changes in our industry. Around 250 people attended including past presidents, legislators, and more. Thank you to our sponsors (William A. Hazel, S.W. Rodgers, Shirley Contracting, and Fam Construction) for making the night memorable. Two films were produced to commemorate the event entitled [We are HCCA](#) and [60 Years of HCCA](#); click to view. Thank you to all who celebrated this grand accomplishment with us.



Ron White

Greg Smith

Kurt Rodgers

Thank you to all of our past Presidents who attended the 60th anniversary



October Dinner Meeting

HCCA held a different style dinner meeting this month, to show off Lord Fairfax Community College's new heavy equipment simulators. Over 70 attendees from member firms came out to Vint Hill to test out the rubber tire loader and excavator simulators. Those in attendance were in awe of the new technology and excited to meet and employ the students who will complete the course.



Training

Do your employees need their certifications renewed? If so, check our training calendar [here](#) for availability. We can also give custom courses at your office in any OSHA related topics! HCCA continues to certify the most people in VDOT Basic and Intermediate Work Zone in the state. Offering courses in English, Spanish, and Portuguese, Ari Henrique is prepared to suit your company's needs.

Clay Pigeon Shoot

Shady Grove Sporting Clays hosted the HCCA Clay Pigeon Shoot Tournament on October 28. Forty shooters from 7 member firms participated in the tournament. After the competition, the shooters enjoyed catering from The Bone while they waited to hear results of the winners. SW Rodgers took third place, William A. Hazel came in second place, and Ricky Brown earned first place. Long run was awarded to John Harmon and High gun was awarded to Glenn Thorpe.



1st Place – Ricky Brown

2nd Place- William A. Hazel

3rd Place- SW Rodgers

Upcoming Events

Nov. 9, 11:30am-1:30 PM: Lunch & Learn: DOT DMV Compliance for Commercial Vehicles & Fleets -- HCCA Office - 9251 Industrial Court #201, Manassas VA 20109

Nov. 15, 5:30pm-8:30pm: HCCA Dinner Meeting NVBIA - Home Building Market from a Builders Perspective -- Chantilly National Golf & Country Club - 14901 Braddock Road, Chantilly, VA 20120

Nov. 30, 7:30am-9:00am: HCCA, ABC, NVTA & VTCA Legislative Breakfast -- Chantilly National Golf & Country Club - 14901 Braddock Road, Chantilly, VA 20120

Dec. 8, 6:00pm-11:00pm: HCCA Casino Night Holiday Party – Hilton Washington-Dulles - 13869 Park Center Rd, Herndon, VA 20171