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Idaho AGC News

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PLEASE UPDATE YOUR COMPANY INFORMATION

We are preparing for our 2012 membership directory, If your company has moved, changed contacts or If you are unsure of what we have for your company's records please email Molly Conein at mconein@idahoagc.org.

Idaho AGC Tech Tip

Seeing Double?

If you have not already started using dual monitors it might be worth considering. **Does it really help?** There was a study done by the University of Utah in 2008 commissioned by NEC. The study concluded that there was an increased productivity by using two or more monitors. It's very similar to getting a larger physical desk at work. The bottom line is you have more electronic work space to get your work done. **How do people use two monitors?** It really depends on what software you use to get your job done. Typically users will have email open on one screen and an accounting package on the other. Others have internet research on one and a word processor on the other. **Is it complicated?** Just considering two screens can be overwhelming for some but Windows and Mac alike have made it very intuitive and simple. For most users, after a 5 min demo they are off to the races. **What is the return on the investment?** One insurance seminar stated it was a 2-3 months to recoup the initial expense. So if you are not enjoying the benefits of two monitors, it's something to consider. The cost of doing so can be quickly made up by increased productivity.

AGC of America News

3 Percent withholding

Starting January 1, 2013, all federal and state contracts for goods and services will be subject to a 3 percent income tax withholding on each and every payment over \$10,000 to a contractor. The requirement also applies to large local governments that make \$100 million or more in annual expenditures for goods and services. This mandate will be bad for construction and must be repealed now.

Visit AGCA's website for more information; http://www.agc.org/cs/advocacy/legislative_activity/3_percent_withholding_tax

Congress Acts to Prevent Hazardous Designation of Fly Ash; EPA Accepting Limited Comment on Additional Data ; Congress is moving forward on legislation that would prevent coal combustion residuals from being designated as "hazardous" waste—safeguarding the use of fly ash in construction. The U.S. House of Representatives passed AGC-supported legislation, H.R. 2273, the Coal Residuals and Management Act earlier this month. A companion bill has been introduced in the U.S. Senate. Meanwhile, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will accept comment until November 14 on select data the agency received in response to last year's proposal to regulate the disposal of coal combustion residuals as either hazardous or non-hazardous waste.

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Eastern Idaho Winter Conference

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Idahoagc.org/membership/eventfliers.

2011 Annual Convention & Dinner Auctions

SAVE THE DATE ! Thursday & Friday December 1st & 2nd at the Idaho AGC and the Power House Event Center. Don't miss out on a day full of informative meetings and a night full of fun!

Visit our website for agenda and registration form;
Idahoagc.org/membership/eventfliers.

Construction Leadership Council News (CLC)

The Idaho AGC's CLC chapter has been busy over the last couple months working to establish new methods for recruiting and retaining members in an effort to continually improve the AGC and CLC network of construction and construction industry related professionals. As part of this process the 2011 CLC chair Travis Shelton (McMillen, LLC) and Secretary Joe Meuleman (Meuleman and Mollerup, LLP) recently attended the National CLC Working Weekend event held in Oklahoma City, OK. The event was put on by the Oklahoma City CLC group, they did a terrific job bringing in some very influential speakers and the hospitality received by all who made the event was exceptional. Some of the highlights included:

- Roundtable discussion with over 15 different CLC chapters engaged to share ideas for recruiting, retention, community service, and other best practices to create and maintain a successful chapter.
- Presentation by Oklahoma State Senator and returned Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Steve Russell titled "The Capture of Saddam Hussein/Leadership Under Fire"
- Jobsite tour of the Devon Energy building, a 50-story tower currently under construction in downtown Oklahoma City.

As our local CLC chapter continues to gain momentum we would ask that industry employers help to support the AGC and CLC by encouraging employee's go beyond their normal day to day and play an active role in the community and the industry we all love by joining the Construction Leadership Council.

For questions regarding this month's CLC report, to learn more about membership opportunities, or to learn what you can do as an employer to get your company more involved please e-mail travis.shelton@mcmillen-llc.com

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