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This months featured driver is E. J. Prichard from Dewey, Oklahoma.



Safety Newsletter

CSA 2010 Vehicle Maintenance

BASIC

by Phil Valois

For those of you who are not familiar with CSA 2010, it is the new driver and motor carrier monitoring system being unveiled by the FMCSA. The program is divided into five BASICS (Behavioral Analysis and Safety Improvement Categories). This month we will talk about what goes into the "Vehicle Maintenance BASIC". The Vehicle Maintenance BASIC calculates driver and carrier performance using violations related to the parts and accessories on the vehicle and the condition of the vehicle noted on the roadside inspection reports. This has nothing to do with receiving a "citation" or "ticket". To sum this up if a violation of the vehicle regulations is noted on a roadside inspection report, the violation will be entered into the carrier's Vehicle Maintenance BASIC in the CSA 2010 data system. If the violation is one that the driver could have prevented, the driver will have the violation placed into his or her personal data as well. Examples of violations that will be placed in the Vehicle Maintenance BASIC include: Operating a vehicle that has been placed out of service, lights and /or reflectors not working or obscured, any brake violation (condition adjustment etc,) steering or suspension defects, tire, wheel, or rim defects, and using a vehicle that has not been periodically (annually) inspected.

Pipeline Scholarship

Many of you enjoy the BBQ and Blues festival Pacer participates in every June. What you probably didn't know is the money generated from this event is used to provide a scholarship. Graduating seniors whose parents work for participating pipeline companies are eligible to enter the Crossroads Of America Pipeline Scholarship competition, sponsored by the BBQ & Blues. This year the scholarship was awarded to Kade Golleher son of Dan & Lori McCann of Duncan OK. Dan is District Manager of our Ratliff City office. Kade will be attending the Academy of Contemporary Music at the University of Central Oklahoma in Oklahoma City. Kade applied for the scholarship and wrote an essay, which was judged by a panel in Cushing.

Road Check 2010 June 8-10

Road check 2010 is an annual safety enforcement that targets commercial vehicles. Are you prepared? The probability of an inspection occurring during these three days is greater than normal. During a 72-hour period in the second week of June, thousands of inspectors will be examining over 70,000 vehicles. What they find (or don't find) can affect your CSA 2010 scores, and remember, even violations not resulting in an out-of-service order will be tabulated into the CSA 2010 Safety Measurement System. Some facts to consider regarding last year's Roadcheck event:

- A record 72,782 inspections were conducted.
- Of the vehicles inspected, 19.6% were placed out of service for mechanical problems (that's about 14,130 vehicles).
- On average, approximately 17 trucks or buses were inspected every minute.

June Safety Meetings

Topic for this months safety meetings will be Vehicle Accident Investigation Policy & Defensive Driving.

Safety Minute: The 200 ml tube and BS&W

Iola, Ks	June	15th	10:00 AM
Drumright	June	22rd	8:00 AM
Davis	June	23nd	10:00 AM

Upcoming Events

June 4th & 5th BBQ and Blues Festival, Cushing, Oklahoma
June 25th & 26th 2010 Relay for Life of Tulsa, Union High School, Tulsa, Oklahoma