

# The Safety Indicator

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## **A new year is coming – how will you welcome it?**

Will you treat it as a challenge? Hoping to improve on the old, change the bad, and learn from others? Or... are you just plugging away as always? Come join us as we attempt to change the world. All right – maybe just New York State. Come to our February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting to hear Larry Gilroy give us a legislative update concerning workers compensation reform and how best to make our voices heard in Albany.

## **Many thanks to DiVal Safety**

Dival hosted our November 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in Syracuse. They provided the meeting room, lunch, vendors, and other training that made the day enjoyable.

Next  
Meeting  
February  
14th

*Consortium Goal: To Share information and ideas that will result in safer work environments.*

## **Facilitation Team**

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*If you are interested in being a team member, please call one of us.*

## **Notes from the November 1, 2005 Consortium Meeting:**

David Austin, the Business Advocate from the NYS Workers Compensation Board, and John Stamos, a Senior WC Law Judge from Syracuse, gave a presentation and answered numerous questions. They walked us through the workers compensation system, the way the system works, and some of the nuances of the law. Several members spoke up with questions and others voiced their frustrations. Most everyone walked away understanding a little more about what and how the judicial side thinks.

## **Mark your calendars!**

**Save the date: February 14, 2006**

**Time:** 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

**Location:** CONMED Corporation  
525 French Road  
Utica, NY 13502

## **Agenda:**

8:00 AM: Workers Compensation Reform

9:00 AM Round Table Discussion

Presenter: Larry Gilroy from  
Gilroy, Kernan & Gilroy, Inc.

## **A warm welcome to our new members**

**Businesses:** ARC, Adecco Employment Services, Coyne Textiles, Family Dollar, Jaquith Industries Inc., and St. Elizabeth

**Members:** Deborah Brown, Larry Burns, Heather Callahan, John Cerami, Johnita DeMatteo, Michael Droll, Scott Jaquith, Sandy Parsons, Sylvia Pescatore, Angela Ramp, Donna Sudol, and Janet Wren



## **Mohawk Valley Safety Professionals Consortium Tentative Meeting Schedule 2006**

- February 14, 2006
  - Host Company: CONMED Corporation
  - Topic: Workers Compensation Reform
- April 11, 2006
  - Host Organization:
  - Topic: The dynamics of an injury
- June 13, 2006
  - TBD
  - TBD
- August 8, 2006
  - TBD
  - TBD
- October 10, 2006
  - TBD
  - TBD
- December 12, 2006
  - TBD
  - TBD