Presenting Damage Prevention & Safety

Arizona 811 provides Damage Prevention & Safety presentations free of charge to the excavating community. The presentation provides a better understanding of how to use the 811 process to stay safe and protect underground facilities from being damaged. To schedule a Damage Prevention & Safety presentation for your group or organization, send an email to: Education.Awareness@Arizona811.com

Education Resources

CGA (Common Ground Alliance) is an organization dedicated to bringing together stakeholders within the excavating community and helping create and promote safe digging practices to keep people and underground facilities safe. Visit commongroundalliance.com to learn about the benefits of membership and the resources available to promote safe excavating practices. Arizona 811, along with other 811 centers across the country, are proud participating members of CGA.

The first ever issue of the Arizona 811 Newsletter

In 2020, Arizona 811 is increasing efforts to provide the public, especially those who excavate, with more information about safe digging and compliance with Arizona law. Our main focus will continue to be to provide no-cost pre-excavation notifications services and provide stakeholder education statewide to prevent injuries and damage to underground utilities in accordance with statutory regulations. In addition, we will continue to raise awareness of the general public through community events, vocational schools, outreach programs, social media and the release of this newsletter. In each issue, we will provide Damage Prevention & Safety tips and education resources to be utilized to promote safe digging practices. We will also announce upcoming news and events as well as recognize individuals who consistently practice and promote safety.

SPOTLIGHT

Brice Box

Brice Box has been in the construction industry for over 25 years, 14 of those being in the oil and gas industry. He’s been involved in the design and the new construction of pipelines, as well as surveying, routing, and construction inspection. He served 9 years with the Army National Guard and deployed to Iraq in 2009. He was born and raised in the great state of Missouri but is happy to now call Arizona his home since 2015.

Brice is a Right of Way Specialist for Kinder Morgan liquids and has been serving as the Arizona 811 Education & Awareness Committee Chairperson for the past 2 years. The Committee is happy that he recently agreed to remain the committee’s chairperson for an additional 2 years. Having been involved in and even witnessed various accidents and incidents on job sites across the USA during his career, Brice is passionate about damage prevention, education, and safety. Brice looks forward to continuing to represent the Education & Awareness committee and to meeting contractors, underground utility operators and locators at all upcoming damage prevention seminars throughout the state in 2020.
Arizona 811 Partners with Phoenix Raceway

Arizona 811 and Phoenix Raceway entered into a partnership in the fall of 2019 to promote safe digging to all race-goers during the Phoenix Raceway BLUEGREEN VACATIONS 500 MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR RACE last November. The partnership included Arizona 811’s sponsorship of the “Know before you go – Quick Links” page on the Phoenix Raceway website reminding everyone that “underground utility lines are everywhere” and contacting Arizona 811 before any digging project begins is the most effective way to stay safe and protect underground utilities from damage. The partnership will continue through the Spring 2020 FanShield 500 NASCAR race, and the Fall 2020 NASCAR Championship.

Upcoming Events

• **Dave & Buster’s - Tempe Marketplace**
  Join Arizona 811 and Phoenix Raceway on Monday, February 17, 2020 from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM for this FREE event. Photo-op with Phoenix Raceway Show Cars, spin the Arizona 811 wheel of prizes, enter to win tickets to the FanShield 500 NASCAR race in March at Phoenix Raceway or a gift card and a reserved table at Dave & Buster’s for raceday. Be sure to visit the Arizona 811 staff on site to get enrolled for drawings and to pick up a special discount coupon for food, fun & games at Dave & Buster’s!

• **Phoenix Raceway FanShield 500 NASCAR Race**
  Follow @arizona811 on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter on Sunday, March 8, 2020 for posts, stories and live segments during the race with our lucky race ticket giveaway winners.

• **Maricopa County Home & Garden Show**
  Visit the Arizona 811 booth at the next Maricopa County Home & Garden show at State Farm Stadium March 6-8, 2020 from 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Get information about safe digging and spin our wheel of prizes.

• **Southern Arizona Seminar Tour – March 2020**
  Arizona 811, in partnership with underground facility owners/operators and the Arizona Corporation Commission are hosting FREE seminars to provide education to excavators on the 811 process and other safe digging practices. Be sure to check out Arizona811.com for a schedule and register to attend. Spots are filling quickly – SIGN UP TODAY!

CONGRATULATIONS

**Giveaway Winner**

**Chelsea Hughes**

Land Survey Coordinator

Chelsea was selected to be our Social Media TV Giveaway WINNER on January 31, 2020. Chelsea is a follower of all Arizona 811 social media pages and showed her support for safe digging by posting herself with 811 marks, Damage Prevention & Safety Partner stickers, tagging @ARIZONA811, and using the hashtag: #AZ811PARTNER. Thank you Chelsea and EPS Group, Inc. for being Damage Prevention & Safety Partners.

EYE ON IT

**GIVEAWAY ALERT!**

Follow Arizona 811 on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to learn about news, events, ticket creation tips, and special giveaways. Help Arizona 811 raise awareness about how using the 811 process can protect workers’ safety and the underground facilities from damage. As a thank you to our Damage Prevention & Safety partners for using and promoting safe digging practices, we will provide many opportunities to win prizes. Go to our social media sites for more information on our latest giveaway!

**Connect with us:**

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**INTRODUCING**

**Challenge Coin Recognition Program**

Arizona 811 will soon be giving special recognition to individuals who consistently go above and beyond to ensure the safety of those around them and to protect underground facilities before, during and after any excavation project. Watch for details in our March issue for an announcement of the first Arizona 811 Challenge Coin recipient.